

Chapter 16.104**VOLUNTARY MERGERS****Sections:**

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16.104.010 Purpose.

It is the purpose of this Chapter is to provide for the owner-initiated merger of contiguous parcels under common ownership without reversion to acreage, pursuant to Section 66499.20 of the Government Code. (Ord. 606, 1999)

16.104.020 Requirements for Application.

A. Applications for voluntary mergers may be initiated by the property owner(s) or the authorized agent of the owner of record. The application must include all documents and information required by the City. Applications are filed with the Planning Department.

B. A fee, as specified by resolution of the City Council is required with the application.

C. Before application, the applicant should request a preapplication conference with the Planning Department. (Ord. 606, 1999)

16.104.030 Review Procedures.

Voluntary Mergers for which a hearing is required shall be reviewed by the Planning Commission. Voluntary mergers for which a hearing is not required shall be reviewed by the Planning Director. A voluntary merger may be approved if it is found that all of the properties involved in the merger are in common ownership. (Ord. 606, 1999; Ord.798 §1, 2012)

16.104.040 Development Requirements.

Mergers approved under the provisions of this Chapter are subject only to those conditions that ensure the proposal meets minimum area and width requirements of the regulating district. All mergers shall be recorded with an instrument evidencing the merger. (Ord. 606, 1999)