



Planning Commission Minutes

Meeting of May 4, 2015

Planning Commission Meeting
City Council Chambers, Civic Center
1243 National City Boulevard
National City, CA 91950

These minutes have been abbreviated. Video recordings of the full proceedings are on file and available to the public.

Agenda Items

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bush at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Alvarado, Baca, Bush, Flores, Yamane. Absent: DelaPaz, Garcia.

Staff Also Present: Jennifer Knight, Deputy City Attorney; Brad Raulston, Executive Director; Martin Reeder, Principal Planner; Raymond Pe, Principal Planner; Steve Manganiello, Director of Engineering and Public Works; Mike Dalla, City Clerk.

Pledge of Allegiance Presented by Commissioner Flores

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Minutes.

Motion by Baca, 2nd by Alvarado to approve the Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on March 16, 2015.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Baca, Pruitt, Bush, Flores, Alvarado

Abstain: Yamane

Absent: DelaPaz, Garcia

Approval of Agenda

2. Approval of Agenda.

Motion by Flores, 2nd by Baca to approve the Agenda for the meeting of May 4, 2015.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Baca, Pruitt, Bush, Flores, Alvarado, Yamane

Absent: DelaPaz, Garcia

ORAL COMMUNICATION

None

PRESENTATIONS

Note: Commissioner Garcia arrived at 6:07 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. An Amendment to Title 18 (Zoning) Chapter 18.47 of the National City Municipal Code pertaining to Signs and Outdoor Advertising Displays. (Case File No. 2015-07 A).

Presentation on “Sign Law 101” by Randal Morrison, consultant for City.

Commissioners asked questions regarding utility poles, election signage, free speech, amortization.

1st Motion by Garcia, 2nd by Yamane to close the public hearing.

2nd Motion by Bush to continue the item to the next meeting for further time to review. Motion died for lack of a second.

1st Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Alvarado, Baca, Flores, Garcia

Nays: Bush

Absent: DelaPaz

4. Resolution 2015-07 taking action on an Amendment to Title 18 (Zoning) Chapter 18.47 of the National City Municipal Code pertaining to Signs and Outdoor Advertising Displays. (Case File No. 2015-07 A).

Motion by Baca, 2nd by Alvarado to approve Resolution 2015-07 taking action on an Amendment to Title 18 (Zoning) Chapter 18.47 of the National City Municipal Code pertaining to Signs and Outdoor Advertising Displays. (Case File No. 2015-07 A).

Motion carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Alvarado, Baca, Flores, Yamane
Nays: Bush, Garcia
Absent: DelaPaz

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Baca recused himself due to a potential financial conflict of interest and left the chambers.

5. Request to Initiate a General Plan Amendment and Zone Change for a property located at 2443 "N" Avenue to change the zoning from RS-1 to I (Case File No. 2015-06 GPA, ZC).

Commissioners asked questions regarding property taxes, existing garage, parking lot design, parking, next steps in hearing process, effects on neighborhood, future park expansion.

Speakers: Anne McEnany – International Community Foundation. Spoke in support.
Healy Vigderson – Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center. Spoke in support.

Motion by Garcia, 2nd by Yamane to initiate a General Plan Amendment and Zone Change for a property located at 2443 "N" Avenue to change the zoning from RS-1 to I (Case File No. 2015-06 GPA, ZC).

Motion carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Alvarado, Bush, Garcia, Yamane
Nays: Flores
Abstain: Baca
Absent: DelaPaz

Commissioner Baca returned to the dais.

6. Capital Improvement Program (CIP) General Plan Consistency Review

Commissioners asked questions regarding Wi-Fi, CIP project updates, funding, other projects, wayfinding signage, bike racks, fig tree at Olivewood Gardens, City pool.

Motion by Garcia, 2nd by Baca to find that the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is consistent with the General Plan.

Motion carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Alvarado, Baca, Bush, Flores, Garcia, Yamane
Absent: DelaPaz
Nays: None

STAFF REPORTS

Deputy City Attorney – No report.

Executive Director – Budget workshop. 8th Street event.

Principal Planner – No report.

City Engineer – No report.

Commissioners:

Garcia – Welcome Commissioner Yamane; Chamber rep. at future meeting.

Yamane – No report.

Flores – Absent May 18, 2015; KFC status? (30th & Highland); bowling alley demo; meeting in July?

Bush – 8 on C project; dark schedule; welcome Commissioner Yamane; ped/bike safety; SANDAG transportation plan workshops.

Baca: Welcome Commissioner Yamane; Feliz Cinco de Mayo!.

Alvarado: Bowling alley demo.

Adjournment at 8:43 p.m. in memory of Gary Dines to next meeting scheduled for May 18, 2015 at 6:00 pm.


CHAIRPERSON