

# **Planning Commission Minutes**

Meeting of January 25, 2016 **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 6:04 p.m.

### Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Alvarado, Baca, Bush, Garcia, Yamane,

Commissioners Absent: Dela Paz, Flores

Staff Also Present: Claudia Silva, City Attorney; Nicole Pedone, Senior Assistant City Attorney; Martin Reeder, Principal Planner; Raymond Pe, Principal Planner;

Pledge of Allegiance Presented by Commissioner Yamane

1. Approval of Minutes for the Meeting on December 7, 2015.

Motion by Baca, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Garcia to approve the Minutes for the meeting of December 7, 2015.

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

2. Approval of the Agenda for the Meeting on January 25, 2016

Motion by Alvarado, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Yamane to approve the Agenda for the Meeting on January 25, 2016.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Garcia, Yamane, Baca, Bush, Alvarado

Absent: Flores, Dela Paz

**ORAL COMMUNICATION:** None

**PRESENTATIONS:** None

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Note: Commissioner Yamane recused herself at 6:07 p.m. and left the chambers.

3. Continued Public Hearing for a Conditional Use Permit for a Wireless Communications Facility at Sweetwater High School located at 2900 Highland Avenue (Case File No.: 2015-17 CUP)

Presented by Principal Planner Martin Reeder

Motion by Garcia, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Baca to continue the Public Hearing for a Conditional Use Permit for a Wireless Communications Facility at Sweetwater High School located at 2900 Highland Avenue (Case File No.: 2015-17 CUP) to the regular meeting scheduled for March 7, 2016.

Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes: Garcia, Yamane, Baca, Bush, Alvarado

Absent: Flores, Dela Paz

Note: Commissioner Yamane returned to the dais at 6:11pm

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

4. Election of Officers for 2016

Motion by Bush, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alvarado to recommend Commissioner George Baca as Planning Commission Chair for 2016.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Garcia, Yamane, Baca, Bush, Alvarado

Absent: Flores, Dela Paz

Motion by Baca, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alvarado to recommend Commissioner Roberto Garcia as Planning Commission Vice Chair for 2016.

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

5. Overview of the Planning Commission's mission and duties. Presented by Principal Planner Martin Reeder

Commissioners and Staff discussed duties of the Planning Commission as governed by the Planning Commission Bi-laws. Areas of interest raised by Commissioners included tree planting and list of approved trees, subcommittees, attending City Council meetings, and annual report to council.

#### STAFF REPORTS

City Attorney Claudia Silva introduced the new Sr. Assistant Attorney Nicole Pedone. She will begin as commission staff attorney with the Planning Commission on February 8, 2016.

Executive Director Brad Raulston welcomed the new Sr. Assistant City Attorney. Thanked Commissioner Bush for his service as chair in 2015 and welcomed Commissioner Baca as Chair and Commissioner Garcia as Vice Chair in 2016.

The Budget Calendar has been released and staff is in budget preparation for fiscal year 16/17.

Advised Commissioners about Design Charrette Port Workshops with first happening last week and invited them to attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop on Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 in MLK. Final presentation by the Port to the City Council in April.

Principal Planner Martin Reeder thanked Commissioner Bush for his service and welcomed the new chair and vice chair.

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS:**

Garcia: Thanked Commissioner Bush for his service in 2015. Encouraged others to attend the Port Workshop

Yamane: Thanked Commissioner Bush and welcomed new chair and vice chair. Thank you to City Council for the birthday greeting card.

Bush: Thanked commissioners and staff for opportunity to be Chair. Turned gavel over to incoming Chair Baca.

**Baca:** Thanked Bush for service. Inquired when Round-about would be completed. Mr. Raulston responded that the asphalt is being re-poured and it should be open in the next couple of weeks.

Adjournment by Chair Baca at 6:47 p.m. to next meeting scheduled for February 8, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

CHAIRPERSON