

Planning Commission Minutes

Planning Commission Meeting of July 15, 2019 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 Sendt at 6:03 p.m.

Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Sendt, Yamane, Baca, Dela Paz, Flores, Natividad

Commissioners Absent: Garcia

Staff Also Present: Acting Deputy City Manager Armando Vergara, Senior Assistant City Attorney Nicole Pedone, Principal Planner Martin Reeder, Principal Planner Ray Pe

Pledge of Allegiance Presented by Chair Sendt

1. Approval of Minutes from the Meeting of June 3, 2019.

Motion by Yamane, second by Natividad to approve the Minutes for the Meeting of June 3, 2019.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Sendt, Yamane, Baca, Dela Paz, Flores, Natividad

Abstain: None. Noes: None. Absent: Garcia Planning Commission Meeting of August 5, 2019 Page 2

2. Approval of the Agenda for the Meeting of July 15, 2019.

Motion by Baca, second by Yamane to approve the Agenda for the Meeting of July 15, 2019.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Sendt, Yamane, Baca, Dela Paz, Flores, Natividad

Abstain: None. Noes: None. Absent: Garcia

ORAL COMMUNICATION: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3. Resolution taking action on a Tentative Subdivision Map for the Subdivision of One Parcel into Five at Property Located at 'C' Avenue South of East 27th Street and an Exception for Less Than Required Street Frontage

Presented by Assistant Planner Chris Stanley.

Applicant answered questions posed by the Commissioners.

Applicant Alvin Washington confirmed that he has read, understands, and accepts the conditions.

Public Speakers in opposition:

Bryan Fisch
Alejandra Trujillo
Emelda Mateo
Albert and Aurora Reyes
Melvin Tanio
Eduardo Castro

Joan Rincon submitted a Speaker's Slip but was not present to speak.

In response to comments made by public speakers regarding a lack of parking, Principal Planner Martin Reeder advised that residents could contact him for information on how a parking district could be created in their neighborhood.

In response to a question posed by Commissioner Dela Paz, Mr. Reeder stated that condition no. 45 required correction and that the project does meet the hammerhead requirement.

Motion by Yamane, second by Dela Paz to close the public hearing and approve a Resolution taking action on a Tentative Subdivision Map for the Subdivision of One Parcel into Five at Property Located at 'C' Avenue South of East 27th Street and an Exception for Less Than Required Street Frontage with the caveat that a condition be added requiring a maintenance agreement to include the existing easement from C Avenue.

Motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Sendt, Yamane, Dela Paz

Abstain: None.

Noes: Flores, Baca, Natividad

Absent: Garcia

4. Resolution taking action on a Conditional Use Permit for an Adult School (Interamerican College) in Sweetwater Plaza Shopping Center Located at 1727 Sweetwater Road, Suites 209-212

Presented by Assistant Planner Chris Stanley.

Commissioner Natividad asked the City Attorney if he should recuse himself since he has a current friendship with the applicants.

Senior Assistant City Attorney Nicole Pedone stated that if he could make an unbiased decision and had no financial interest, recusal was not necessary. Commissioner Natividad stated that he could be fair in his decision and had no financial interest.

Applicant Reymundo Marin confirmed that he has read, understands, and accepts the conditions.

Motion by Baca, second by Yamane to close the public hearing and approve a Resolution taking action on a Conditional Use Permit for an Adult School (Interamerican College) in Sweetwater Plaza Shopping Center Located at 1727 Sweetwater Road, Suites 209-212

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Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Sendt, Yamane, Baca, Dela Paz, Flores, Natividad

Abstain: None. Noes: None. Absent: Garcia

OTHER BUSINESS: None.

STAFF REPORTS:

Senior Assistant City Attorney: None.

Armando Vergara, Director of Community Development: None.

Principal Planners: None.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Natividad: Clarified that in the meeting minutes of June 3, 2019 for Item #4, that his comment that the developer hire local labor was a recommendation and not a directive.

Baca: None.

Dela Paz: Stated that public comment received via email should be included in the record and requested that the email correspondence received for agenda Item #3 be included when the item moves forward to the City Council or noted in the meeting minutes.

Garcia: Absent.

Yamane: None.

Sendt: Requested that the Commissioners use the Request to Speak buttons during the meeting.

Flores: None.

ADJOURNMENT by Chair Sendt at 7:45 p.m. to the meeting of August 5, 2019.

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The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of August 5, 2019.