



## Planning Commission Minutes

Meeting of August 17, 2009  
6:00 P.M. to 7:05 P.M.  
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  
Chairman Alvarado at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioners Farias, Baca, Alvarado,  
Pruitt, Reynolds, Flores.

Absent: DeLaPaz.

Also Present: Senior Assistant City  
Attorney Claudia Silva, Principal Planner  
Peggy Chapin, Assistant Planner Martin  
Reeder, Assistant Civil Engineer Adam  
Landa.

Led by Commissioner Reynolds.

### Roll Call

### Pledge of Allegiance

### Approval of Minutes

1. Motion by Reynolds, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pruitt, for Approval of the Minutes for the Meeting of July 20, 2009.

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held on July 20, 2009.

Motion carried by the Following Vote:

Ayes: Farias, Baca, Alvarado, Pruitt,  
Reynolds, Flores.

Absent: DeLaPaz.

Motion by Baca, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Renolds, for approval of Agenda.

Approval of Agenda

Motion carried by the Following Vote:

Ayes: Farias, Baca, Alvarado, Pruitt, Reynolds, Flores.

Absent: DeLaPaz.

None.

Oral Communications

**CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING**

2. Benny Adler, Business Manager, McDini's, 105 East 8<sup>th</sup> Street, stated that they wish to make the business into a coffee shop, open 24/7. He stated that if any problems occur at McDini's, he will close it down. He wants McDini's to be a place where you can bring your kids and grandkids, families and military. He further stated that they want to be competitive with Downtown San Diego in the area of booking national music talents with having musical entertainment seven nights a week, and to allow dancing.

2. Continued Public Hearing – Conditional Use Permit for the Expansion of an Existing Bar and the Extension of Existing Live Entertainment Hours at McDini's at 105 East 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Applicant: Paris Hagman. Staff Report by Assistant Planner Martin Reeder. Case File No. 2009-10 CUP.

Paris Hagman, project architect, addressed proposed architectural upgrades and landscaping proposed for the project.

Chairman Alvarado asked if the conditions of approval have been read and can be complied with.

Mr. Adler stated that the conditions can be met.

Sgt. Graham Young, National City Police Department, stated that stings conducted at McDini's have passed. Adding music seven days a week could become a drain on Police resources. He stated that dancing has occurred, when dancing is allowed at the business.

Commissioners discussed process if the application is approved or denied.

Principal Planner Peggy Chapin stated that this item will move forward to City Council as a Notice of Decision. Council can affirm the decision of the Commission, or set the item for a public hearing.

Commissioners discussed approving portions of the request, to expand the dining area, and exceptions of parking requirements, but not the request for expansion of live entertainment, dancing and hours of alcohol service.

Motion by Reynolds, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pruitt, to close the public hearing and approve expansion of the dining area, and exceptions to the parking requirements, and to deny the request for expansion of live entertainment, dancing, and extension of hours of alcohol service.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Motion carried by the Following Vote:

Ayes: Farias, Baca, Alvarado, Pruitt, Reynolds, Flores.

Absent: DeLaPaz.

3. A Resolution will be brought to the next Planning Commission meeting for adoption.

3. Resolution No. 16-2009. A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the city of National City, California, taking action on a Conditional Use permit for the Expansion of an existing Bar and the Extension of Existing Liver Entertainment Hours at McDini's at 105 East 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Applicant: Paris Hagman. Case File No. 2009-10 CUP.

## OTHER BUSINESS

4. Commissioner Reynolds asked how this item came up. Principal Planner Peggy Chapin stated that questions had been received at the counter and via phone calls to staff. She further stated that the cities of Santee, Escondido and Chula Vista have also adopted moratorium on establishments dispensing marijuana for medical purposes.
4. Report regarding Interim Ordinance of the City Council of the City of National City Adopted Pursuant to Government code Section 65868 as an Urgency Measure Enacting a Moratorium Prohibiting Establishments Dispensing Marijuana for Medical Purposes in National City. Staff Report by Principal Planner Peggy Chapin. Case File No. 2009-14 A.

Chairman Alvarado stated that workshop will be held in Chula Vista, will National City also hold workshops on this issue?

Principal Planner Peggy Chapin stated that possibly in the future a workshop could be held.

Motion by Baca, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Reynolds, to direct staff to complete further investigation, commence studies and procedures necessary for the adoption of measures prohibiting or regulating establishments dispensing marijuana for medical purposes, and prepare a report to make recommendations regarding an amendment to the land use code related to facilities for the dispensing of medical marijuana.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Farias, Baca, Alvarado, Pruitt, Reynolds, Flores.

Absent: DeLaPaz.

Principal Planner Peggy Chapin stated that an Institute for Public Strategies Workshop will be held on August 25, 2009 from 4:00 to 6:00 at Turning Hearts Center, 345 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Chula Vista, to distribute information on this issue.

No report.

Senior Assistant City Attorney

Principal Planner Peggy Chapin mentioned presentation being made at the City Council meeting tomorrow on background report for the comprehensive update of the General Plan and Land Use Code, and invited all Commissioners. She also mentioned a joint workshop will be held with the City Council, and Commissioners will be informed of date.

Principal Planner

Commissioner Flores mentioned two trailers have been periodically placed in the street at 24<sup>th</sup> Street between J and K Avenues. There were there for extended period, removed, but back again over the weekend.

Commissioners

She also stated that she will miss the October 19, 2009 meeting.

Commissioner Reynolds stated that the Relay for Life event raised over \$80,000.

No report.

Chairman

7:05 p.m.

**Adjournment**

  
CHAIRMAN