



Planning Commission Minutes

Meeting of April 5, 2010

6:00 P.M. to 6:50 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 Baca at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Absent: Reynolds.

Also present: Senior Assistant City Attorney Claudia Silva, Principal Planner Peggy Chapin.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Commissioner Pruitt.

Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 15, 2010

Motion by Pruitt, 2nd by Alvarado, to approve Minutes of the Meeting of March 15, 2010.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: Reynolds.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Pruitt, 2nd by Farias, for approval of Agenda for the Planning Commission for the meeting of April 5, 2010.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: Reynolds.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT).

None.

PUBLIC HEARING

2. Public Hearing – Modification of a Conditional Use Permit to Extend Hours of Operation for Alcohol Sales at an Existing Bar/Restaurant located at 1615 Sweetwater Road. Case File No. 2010-01 MCUP (CUP-2004-11).

Principal Planner Peggy Chapin distributed a handout received from Mr. Edwin Del Rosario in opposition to the modification. Based on the information received regarding service calls to the Police Department, it is suggested that Condition of Approval No. 11 be amended to state that the Conditional Use Permit be subject to review by the Planning Commission six months from the date of adoption of the Resolution approved the modification of the Conditional Use Permit.

Benjamin Camacho, applicant, 1615 Sweetwater Road, stated that he understands and can comply with conditions of approval. He stated has taken over the restaurant, effective December, 2009. He wanted to have full control. He responded to Commissioners questions concerning police incidents and pending ABC license. He stated the license is pending since it is deleting the 2nd floor for alcohol sales, which is no longer part of the restaurant.

Edwin Del Rosario, 3415 Paseo De Sabato, National City, stated he is in opposition to this modification. He stated there is a direct relationship between consumption of alcohol and crime. He stated there is also is an over-saturation issue and distance requirements are not met.

Jovita Juarez, Institute for Public Strategies, 590 3rd Avenue, Chula Vista, stated the ABC license is pending for this establishment because there is a name transfer occurring. She stated that a risk assessment was conducted and alcohol is being over-served at the restaurant.

Commissioners discussed that it appears the use has evolved, as it is now referred to as a bar/restaurant, whereas it first was a café catering to employees of local commercial uses in the center. Commissioners commented that they would like a Police representative present to address their comments and ABC issues.

Commissioners commented that they are hesitant to modify the Conditional Use Permit without detailed information on past approvals, ABC license status, police service calls, police representation, and minutes and sign-in sheets on the prior community meetings.

Dr. Camacho stated that two community meetings were held and he intends to have security personnel, cameras, and additional lighting in the parking lot.

Motion by DeLaPaz, 2nd by Pruitt, to continue the public hearing to the meeting of April 19, 2010 to allow an opportunity for staff to address issues raised, and to schedule for a police representative to be present at the meeting.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: Reynolds.

3. Resolution No. 09-2010. A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of National City, California, approving a Modification of a Conditional Use Permit to Extend Hours of Operation for Alcohol Sales at an Existing Bar/Restaurant located at 1615 Sweetwater Road. Case File No. 2010-01 MCUP (CUP-2004-11).

Resolution not adopted. Item will be placed on the April 19, 2010 Agenda.

OTHER BUSINESS

4. Time Extension Request for a Tentative Parcel Map (LS-2006-11) at 3030 Plaza Bonita Road. Case File No. 2010-07 TE.

The applicant has withdrawn this request.

Principal Planner Peggy Chapin stated that a change in State law extends by two years the life of existing tentative maps, vesting tentative maps, and parcel maps that were valid on July 15, 2009 and would otherwise expire before January 1, 2012.

5. Resolution No. 10-2010. A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of National City, California, approving a Time Extension of a Tentative Parcel Map (LS-2006-11) to Subdivide Three Parcels Including approximately 24.4-Acres into Four at an Existing Shopping Center at 3030 Plaza Bonita Road. Applicant: Plaza Bonita, LLC. Case File No. 2010-07.

Resolution not adopted.

Senior Assistant City Attorney

No report.

Principal Planner

No report.

Commissioners

Commissioner DeLaPaz asked about the street lights that are out on Eleanor Place.

Principal Planner Peggy Chapin stated that she would follow-up with Public Works.

Chairman

No Report.

Adjournment – 6:50 p.m.


CHAIRMAN