

Planning Commission Minutes

Meeting of June 21, 2010 6:00 P.M. to 7:35 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 Alvarado, Baca, Pruitt, Reynolds.

Absent: DeLaPaz, Farias, Flores

Also present: Development Services Director Maryam Babaki, Senior Assistant City Attorney Claudia Silva, Principal Planner Peggy Chapin, Assistant Planner Martin Reeder.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Commissioner Pruitt.

Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 7, 2010

Motion by Reynolds, 2nd by Pruitt, to approve Minutes of the Meeting of June 7, 2010.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Alvarado, Pruitt, Reynolds.

Absent: DeLaPaz, Farias, Flores.

Abstaining: Baca.

Chairman Baca stated that he is abstaining due to absence at the last meeting.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Reynolds, 2nd by Pruitt, for approval of Agenda for the Planning Commission for the meeting of June 21, 2010.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Alvarado, Baca, Pruitt, Reynolds.

Absent: DeLaPaz, Farias, Flores.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT).

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

2. Conditional Use Permit to Operate a Dance Studio located at 3142 East Plaza Boulevard. Applicant: Carla Perez. Case File No. 2010-12 CUP.

Carla Perez, 963 Via Luna, Chula Vista, applicant, responded to Chairman Baca that she has read, understands, and can comply with all conditions of approval.

Commissioner Alvarado stated that there is a church that occupies a nearby suite, and he has observed there is difficulty parking in the area on Saturdays.

Commissioner Reynolds commented that he has observed that only on Sundays does the parking lot seem full. He further stated that most dance students will be dropped off.

Chairman Baca commented that the hours listed in conditions of approval are different than those requested by the applicant.

Assistant Planner Martin Reeder stated that the hours were change to make them similar to the other dance studio in the area.

Chairman Baca confirmed that no comments were received from property owners who were mailed the notice.

Motion by Pruitt, 2nd by Alvarado, to close the public hearing and approved Case File No. 2010-12 CUP, based on required findings and subject to conditions of approval.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Alvarado, Baca, Pruitt, Reynolds.

Absent: DeLaPaz, Farias, Flores.

3. Resolution No. 15-2010. A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of National City, California, taking action on a Conditional Use Permit to Operate a Dance Studio located at 3142 East Plaza Boulevard, Suite A. Applicant: Carla Perez. Case file No. 2010-12 CUP.

Motion by Alvarado, 2nd by Pruitt, to adopt Resolution No. 15-2010.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Alvarado, Baca, Pruitt, Reynolds.

Absent: DeLaPaz, Farias, Flores.

4. Conditional Use Permit to Operate a Fiberglass Manufacturing Business at 1921 Cleveland Avenue. Applicant: Jose Flores. Case File No. 2010-10 CUP.

Jose Flores, 1729 Sunnycrest Lane, Bonita, responded to Chairman Baca that he has read, understands and agrees with all conditions of approval. He further stated that his business has been in operation for 30 years and he is moving next door to a larger space.

Ed Pieters, 1940 McKinley Avenue, stated that the hearing notice contained errors; in the body of the notice is stated the building is located at the southwest corner of Cleveland Avenue and West 21st Street, that does not exist,. He further questioned if all property owners within 300 feet were notified.

He expressed concern about odors from the business and close proximity of the business to homes. He asked if odors get out, who should that be reported to.

Principal Planner Peggy Chapin stated that the Code Enforcement office should be contacted.

Victor Ortiz, 2000 McKinley Avenue, expressed concern that the notice was incorrect and all necessary parties may not have been noticed. He further expressed concerns about odors and exposure, as homes are downwind of the site.

Mike Filson, Property Owner, stated that allowing this business to move next door would allow the existing paint facility to be moved inside, which would be an improvement over current conditions.

Mr. Flores stated that moving to the new site will minimize odors, operations will be moved indoors, and the vacuum systems will be upgraded.

Commissioner Pruitt questioned if the noticing was adequate.

Senior Assistant City Attorney Claudia Silva that the noticing addressing and parcel number are correct. The wording in the body of the notice is what is incorrect. This does not invalidate the noticing. If the Commission wishes, the item could be continued with re-noticing occurring.

Motion by Reynolds, 2nd by Pruitt, to close the public hearing and approve Case File No. 2010-10 CUP, based on required findings and subject to conditions of approval.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Alvarado, Baca, Pruitt, Reynolds.

Absent: DeLaPaz, Farias, Flores.

5. Resolution No. 16-2010. A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of National City, California, taking action on a Conditional Use Permit to Operate a Fiberglass Manufacturing Business at 1921 Cleveland Avenue. Applicant: Jose Flores. Case File No. 2010-10 CUP.

Motion by Reynolds, 2nd by Pruitt, to adopt Resolution No. 16-2010.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Alvarado, Baca, Pruitt, Reynolds.

Absent: DeLaPaz, Farias, Flores

OTHER BUSINESS

6. Adoption of Planning Commission Bylaws.

Principal Planner Peggy Chapin distributed revised bylaws, which include clarification wording suggested by the Senior Assistant City Attorney pertaining to composition of the Planning Commission and Housing and Community Development Committee, and to regular meetings when no items are scheduled.

Motion by Reynolds, 2nd by Pruitt, to adopt Planning Commissions bylaws with changes as made by Senior Assistant City Attorney.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Alvarado, Baca, Pruitt, Reynolds.

Absent: DeLaPaz, Farias, Flores

Senior Assistant City Attorney

No report.

Principal Planner

Principal Planner Peggy Chapin reminded Commissioners to submit verification that they have completed the ethics training.

Commissioners

Commissioner Reynolds mentioned the upcoming Lions Club 4th of July Event, staring on July 1, 2010.

Chairman

Commissioner Baca stated that he was out of town and unable to attend the ethics training, and would like to make arrangements to utilize City office space and computer for the training, as he is having difficulties accessing the program from his home computer.

Staff suggested he contact staff to make arrangements.

Adjournment

7:35 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON