

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2018 701 East Carson Street, Carson, CA 90745 Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor 6:30 p.m.

# **MINUTES** REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Members:

De Shon Andrews

Alex Cainglet

Uli Fe'esago

Sharon Guidry

Michael Mitoma

Chair Ramona Pimentel

Vice-Chair Charles Thomas

Alternates:

Jane Osuna

Christopher Palmer Karimu Rashad

Staff:

Community

Assistant

City Acting Planning Manager Rojas

Development

Attorney Khuu

Director Naaseh

"In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, if you require a disability related modification or accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please call the Planning Department at 310-952-1761 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting." (Government Code Section 54954.2)

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Pimentel called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Thomas led the Salute to the Flag.

#### 3. ROLL CALL

Planning Commissioners Present: Andrews, Cainglet, Guidry, Pimentel, Thomas

Planning Commissioners Absent: Fe'esago, Mitoma (excused)

Planning Commission Alternates Present: Palmer

Planning Staff Present: Acting Planning Manager Rojas, Assistant City Attorney Khuu, Associate Planner Alexander, Contract Planner Edwards, Contract Planner Carver, Recording Secretary Bothe

#### 4. ORAL COMMUNICATION FOR MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

The public may at this time address the members of the Planning Commission on any matters within the jurisdiction of the Planning Commission. No action may be taken on non-agendized items except as authorized by law. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to no more than three minutes each, speaking once.

Community Development Director Naaseh expressed his pleasure in working with the Planning Commission, and he advised that Richard Rojas will now be taking over his duties as the Acting Planning Manager. The Commission congratulated him on his promotion.

### 5. NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION

# A) Selection of new Planning Commission Chair and Vice-Chair

Commissioner Cainglet nominated Ramona Pimentel as Planning Commission Chair. Commissioner Guidry seconded that nomination. Without objection, Ramona Pimentel was selected as the new Planning Commission Chair.

Commissioner Cainglet nominated Charles Thomas as Planning Commission Vice-Chair. Commissioner Guidry seconded that nomination. Without objection, Charles Thomas was selected as the new Planning Commission Vice-Chair.

### 6. CONSENT CALENDAR

# A) Approval of Minutes March 21, 2018

Commissioner Guidry moved, seconded by Chair Pimentel, to approve the March 21, 2018, Minutes as presented. Motion carried, 6-0 (absent Fe'esago, Mitoma).

# 7. PUBLIC HEARING

# A) Design Overlay Review No. 1579-15; Variance No. 557-15

## Applicant's Request:

The applicant, Cliffhaven Companies, Inc., is requesting a second one-year extension of Design Overlay Review No. 1579-15 to construct a new 47,920-square-foot neighborhood retail center and Variance No. 557-15 to allow a 25-foot building setback from University Drive at a 4.97-acre site zoned SP-2-CN (Dominguez Technology Center - Phase 2 - Specific Plan No. 2, Neighborhood Commercial). The subject site is located at 1281 East University Drive.

# Staff Report and Recommendation:

Contract Planner Carver presented staff report and the recommendation to **APPROVE** a second one-year extension of Design Overlay Review No. 1579-15; Variance No. 557-15; and **WAIVE** further reading and **ADOPT** Resolution No. 18-1636, entitled, "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the city of Carson approving a second one-year extension of Design Overlay Review No. 1579-15 and Variance 557-15 on a 4.97-acre project site at 1281 E. University Drive."

Chair Pimentel opened the public hearing.

Todd Burnight, property owner, stated they need additional time to continue their proactive marketing of this site. He highlighted the various efforts they have undertaken to get this project moved forward.

There being no further input, Chair Pimentel closed the public hearing.

# Planning Commission Decision:

Chair Pimentel moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Thomas, to concur with staff recommendation, thus adopting Resolution No. 18-1636. Motion carried, 6-0 (absent Fe'esago, Mitoma).

## 8. NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION

# A) Workshop on Wireless Communications Facilities

Michael Johnston, representing Telecom Law Firm, provided a power point presentation on the updated wireless and small cell regulations, discussing legal constraints and best practices for these facilities. He fielded questions from the Commission.

### 9. MANAGER'S REPORT

Acting Planning Manager Rojas stated he will continue to work on the General Plan Update activities.

# 10. COMMISSIONERS' ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Guidry congratulated Mr. Rojas on his acting appointment and she congratulated the new Chair and Vice-Chair. She announced her resignation on this Planning Commission, noting she will soon be moving to another city; and she noted her pleasure working with this Commission.

Vice-Chairman Thomas encouraged those to get involved in the major building plans being contemplated at the University, noting those plans do not go before this Commission for approval. He congratulated Mr. Rojas on his appointment.

Commissioner Cainglet congratulated the Chair, Vice-Chair and Mr. Rojas on their new positions; and he invited everyone to attend the June 9<sup>th</sup> Philippine Independence Day Foundation celebration starting at 7:30 a.m.; and he thanked the Mayor and staff for their efforts with this event.

Commissioner Palmer congratulated the Chair/Vice-Chair and Mr. Rojas on their new positions. He asked for, and received, a brief update on the project across the street from City Hall.

# 10. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:54 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Chairman

Attest By:

Secretary