

## MINUTES

**CITY OF CARSON  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
HELEN KAWAGOE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CARSON CITY HALL**

***701 East Carson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Carson, CA 90745***

***January 27, 2015 – 6:30 P.M.***

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Faletogo called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Salute to the Flag was led by Vice-Chairman Piñon.
3. **ROLL CALL**

Planning Commissioners Present:  
Brimmer, Diaz, Faletogo, Goolsby,  
\*Gordon, Piñon, Schaefer, Saenz,  
Verrett

\*(Commissioner Gordon arrived at 6:43 P.M.)

Planning Commissioners Absent:  
None

Planning Staff Present: Planning Manager Naaseh, Assistant City Attorney Ward, Associate Planner Rojas, Recording Secretary Bothe
4. **AGENDA POSTING CERTIFICATION**

Recording Secretary Bothe indicated that all posting requirements had been met.
5. **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Commissioner Saenz moved, seconded by Commissioner Brimmer, to approve the Agenda as submitted. Motion carried, 8-0 (Commissioner Gordon had not yet arrived).
6. **INSTRUCTIONS TO WITNESSES**

Chairman Faletogo requested that all persons wishing to provide testimony stand for the oath, complete the general information card at the podium, and submit it to the secretary for recordation.
7. **SWEARING OF WITNESSES**

Assistant City Attorney Ward
8. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

For items **NOT** on the agenda. Speakers are limited to three minutes. None

**9. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Minutes:** January 13, 2015

**Motion:** Commissioner Diaz moved, seconded by Commissioner Schaefer, to approve the January 13, 2015, Minutes as presented. Motion carried, 8-0 (Commissioner Gordon had not yet arrived).

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**10. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING**

**A) Conditional Use Permit No. 962-14 and Variance No. 554-14**

Applicant's Request:

The applicant, Car Pros Kia of Carson, is requesting the Planning Commission consider the relocation of an electronic message center pylon sign for an automobile dealership located in the CA (Commercial, Automotive) zoning district. The subject property is located at 22020 Recreation Road.

Staff Recommendation:

Continue to February 24, 2015

Planning Commission Decision:

Chairman Faletogo moved, without objection, to continue this matter to February 24, 2015 (Commissioner Gordon had not yet arrived).

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**11. PUBLIC HEARING**

**A) Conditional Use Permit No. 955-14**

Applicant's Request:

The applicant, Cindy Arnold, is requesting to permit a general auction for salvage automobile parts on a site located in the MH-D (Manufacturing, High-Density – Design Overlay) zoning district. The subject property is located at 16920 South Figueroa Street.

Staff Report and Recommendation:

Associate Planner Rojas presented staff report and the recommendation to approve Conditional Use Permit No. 955-14; WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 15-2534, entitled, "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the city of Carson approving Conditional Use Permit No. 955-14 to permit a general auction of salvage automobile parts."

Chairman Faletogo opened the public hearing, and he read into the record a letter of support for this project from the neighboring business, Robert Hansen, V. P. Hansen's Welding, Inc., 358 West 168th Street (of record).

Alfred Fraijo, applicant's representative, noted his concurrence with the conditions of approval. He stated that various places on site have been designated for employee and visitor parking, which are addressed in the conditions of approval.

There being no further input, Chairman Faletogo closed the public hearing.

Planning Commission Decision:

Commissioner Diaz moved, seconded by Commissioner Brimmer, to concur with staff recommendation, thus adopting Resolution No. 15-2534. Motion carried, 9-0.

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12.	NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION	None
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13.	WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS	None
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**14. MANAGER'S REPORT**

Planning Manager Naaseh reported on the following:

- advised that due to the falling oil prices, Oxy has withdrawn its application for drilling at its Carson site;
- stated that the Planning Commission packets will now be ready for pick up at the Community Center on Wednesdays, giving the Commissioners additional time for review, and he once again invited the Commissioners to contact Planning staff prior to the meetings for clarification on any agenda items;
- he again extended an invitation to meet with him and Director Avalos for one-on-one meetings for those Commissioners who have yet to take that opportunity;
- and he invited the Planning Commissioners to attend the sponsored League of California Cities 2015 Planning Commissioners Academy in Newport Beach from Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> through Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, directing the Commissioners to contact Ms. Bothe if they are interested in going; and he added that there is enough money to send all Planning Commissioners for one day.

Assistant City Attorney Ward commented on possible Brown Act violations when dealing with emails/electronic communications, instructing the Commission that should a Commissioner be interested in sharing a message with all Commissioners, that they should first forward that communication to Planning staff; that Planning staff would then share that communication with all Planning Commissioners; that any response to that communication should be to the sender only, not to all receiving that communication; and explained that if it is not done properly, it could create a serial meeting. He added that this message should also have the following disclaimer at the bottom: *"Please do not reply to all."* He invited the Commissioners to contact him should they want more information on communications and the Brown Act.

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**15. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

Commissioner Brimmer advised that the Covered California deadline is February 15<sup>th</sup>, noting that those who do not carry some type of health coverage will be penalized; and she noted there is a kiosk in the mall for those seeking additional information and assistance.

In response to Commissioner Saenz' comment to invite various department heads to come before this Commission, Planning Manager Naaseh stated that he will meet with Commissioner Saenz to address his inquiry.

Vice-Chairman Piñon stated that he attended the West Basin Water Board swearing in ceremony for Harold Williams, Scott Houston, and Gloria Gray.

Commissioner Diaz thanked Planning Manager Naaseh and Director Avalos for meeting with him and extending to the Commissioners an open door policy; and he noted his pleasure with being able to obtain the Planning Commission packets earlier, affording the Commissioners more time to review and contact staff should any clarifications be warranted prior to the Planning Commission meetings.

Chairman Faletogo advised that he will be absent from the next Planning Commission meeting, and he thanked everyone for their efforts this evening.

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**16. ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:13 P.M., the meeting was formally adjourned to Tuesday, February 10, 2015, 6:30 P.M., Helen Kawagoe City Council Chambers.



Chairman

Attest By:   
Secretary