



CITY OF CARSON

PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: January 27, 2015

SUBJECT: Conditional Use Permit No. 962-14
Variance No. 554-14

APPLICANT: Car Pros Kia of Carson
c/o: Mr. Ken Phillips
21243 S. Avalon Boulevard
Carson, CA 90745

REQUEST: To consider the relocation of an electronic message center pylon sign for an automobile dealership located in the CA (Commercial, Automotive) zoning district

PROPERTY INVOLVED: 22020 Recreation Road

COMMISSION ACTION

COMMISSIONERS' VOTE

AYE	NO		AYE	NO	
		Chairman Faletogo			Gordon
		Vice-Chair Piñon			Saenz
		Brimmer			Schaefer
		Diaz			Verrett
		Goolsby			

I. Introduction

Property Owner/Applicant

- Ken Phillips, 18835 Beach Boulevard, Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Project Address

- 22020 Recreation Road, Carson, CA 90745

Project Description

The proposed project is for a conditional use permit to relocate and refurbish the existing Altman's freeway-oriented electronic message center pylon sign. The applicant is proposing to move the sign to its proposed location approximately 330 feet to the northwest and adjacent to the main entrance of a new Car Pros Kia dealership.

The application includes the following:

- Conditional Use Permit (CUP) No. 962-14, required to relocate and refurbish a 50-foot-high LED (low energy/high resolution) electronic message center pylon sign along the 405 Freeway frontage.
- Variance No. 554-14, to permit a second freeway-oriented pylon sign for the KIA dealership to enhance freeway visibility. Section 9138.15(E) (3) (e) of the CMC only allows one freeway-oriented pylon sign per dealership.

II. Background

On November 25, 2014, the Planning Commission considered Conditional Use Permit No. 962-14 and Variance No. 554-14 and approved a motion to continue this matter to the January 13, 2015 Planning Commission meeting to allow additional time for the applicant to provide the necessary information to staff to justify their variance request. Staff met with the applicant on this matter on December 10, 2014; however, the applicant did not submit the justification materials until January 6, 2015. The timing of the submittal did not provide staff sufficient time to review the material and forward it to the Planning Commission for its consideration.


On January 13, 2015, the Planning Commission approved the continuation of this item to the January 27, 2015 meeting. On January 14, 2015, the applicant met with staff. At the meeting, staff determined the applicant had not provided the information requested by staff on December 10, 2014. Staff and the applicant agreed that additional time was necessary for the applicant to provide this information. Therefore, staff recommends continuing this item to the February 24, 2015 Planning Commission meeting.

III. Recommendation

That the Planning Commission continue Conditional Use Permit No. 962-14 and Variance No. 554-14 application to the February 24, 2015 meeting.

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Saied Naaseh, Planning Manager