

Minutes of the Huntington Park Planning Commission meeting held on April 4, 2007.

Chairperson Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Present: Commissioners Eddie Benitez, Alfred Bravo, Sr., Andy Molina and Chairperson Marial Sanders; Absent: Commissioner Veronica Lopez (excused; notification made). Also present: Planning Manager Gabriel Bautista, Senior Planner Eric Garcia, Assistant Planner Albert Fontanez, and Recording Secretary Genny Ochoa.

Reorganization of the Planning Commission

Commissioner Bravo made a motion nominating Commissioner Molina as Planning Commission Chairperson for Year 2007, seconded by Commissioner Benitez. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Benitez, Bravo, Sanders, and Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Commissioner Lopez.

Commissioner Sanders made a motion nominating Commissioner Benitez as Vice Chair for Year 2007, seconded by Commissioner Bravo. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Benitez, Bravo, Sanders, and Chairman Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Commissioner Lopez.

Planning Manager Bautista stated that pursuant to City Resolution No. 2006-83, City staff would act as Planning Commission Secretary.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Sanders, to approve the minutes of the meeting held March 21, 2007, as submitted. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Benitez, Bravo, Sanders, and Chairman Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Commissioner Lopez.

Public Appearances

None.

Continued Public Hearings

None.

Public Hearings

A. CASE NO. 1837-DP: Request by Trillium Telecom Services for T-Mobile USA, Inc., for approval of a Development Permit to locate and operate an unmanned wireless telecommunication facility (monopalm) at 6200 Wilmington Avenue within the Manufacturing Planned Development (MPD) Zone.

Assistant Planner Albert Fontanez reviewed the Administrative Report for Case No. 1837-DP, which included the Municipal Code Requirements and Required Findings for a Development Permit, Administrative Comments and Analysis, and Recommendations. Mr. Fontanez stated that staff recommended approval of Case No. 1837-DP, subject to Conditions No. 1-22, as outlined in staff's report.

Chairman Molina declared the public hearing open and called for those wishing to speak in favor or against Case No. 1837-DP. Mr. Jason Kozora (5912 Bolsa Ave., Ste. 202, Huntington Beach, CA), representing T-Mobile USA, came forward spoke in favor of Case No. 1837-DP. Mr. Kozora stated that he was in agreement with the Conditions of Approval with the exception of Condition No. 13, requiring the installation of two 45-foot live date palm trees. Mr. Kozora requested that Condition No. 13 be modified to require 30-foot or 35-foot palm trees instead of 45-foot palm trees.

After a discussion it was concurred by the Commission and staff, and agreed to by Mr. Kozora that Condition No. 13 be modified to read as follows:

13. That the applicant shall plant one (1) 45-foot and one (1) 35-foot live date palm trees at acceptable nearby locations as approved by the Planning Division, and that as long as the wireless telecommunication facility is in operation, there shall be a minimum of three (3) live palm trees on the property

With no one else coming forward, the public hearing was declared closed by Chairman Molina.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanders, seconded by Commissioner Bravo, to APPROVE CASE NO. 1837-DP, subject to Conditions No. 1-22, as modified. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Benitez, Bravo, Molina and Chairperson Sanders; Noes: None; Absent: Commissioner Lopez.

B. CASE NO. 1841-ZOA: Consideration of a resolution recommending to the City Council the adoption of an ordinance amending the Municipal Code regulations applicable to signs.

Planning Manager Bautista stated that this item had been rescheduled to the Planning Commission regular meeting of April 18, 2007, complying with noticing requirements.

New Business

None.

Information Items

Planning Manager Bautista invited the Commissioners to a Special Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission consisting of a tour of the Warner Theatre scheduled for Thursday, April 5, 2007 at 3:00 p.m..

Subjects Presented by the Planning Commission

Commissioner Sanders thanked staff for assisting her during her tenure as Commission Chairperson.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairperson Sanders adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary