



MINUTES

CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday, January 15, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

**Huntington Park City Hall
City Council Chambers
6550 Miles Avenue
Huntington Park, California 90255**

Commissioner Graciela Ortiz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT IN PERSON: Chairperson Graciela Ortiz, Commissioner Eduardo Carvajal, Commissioner John Estrada, Commissioner Mario Gomez

ABSENT: Commissioner Adrian Tarango

STAFF PRESENT: Acting Community Development Director, Sergio Infanzon, Acting Planning Commission Secretary, Paul Bollier, Associate Planner, Lemessis Quintero, Consultant, Susan Hernandez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Estrada led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

CONSENT ITEMS – Approve Planning Commission Meeting Minutes:

1. Regular Planning Commission Meeting held on December 18, 2024.

MOTION: Chairperson Ortiz motions to approve the Minutes with the correction of the misspelling of her name under “Planning Commission Comments”, seconded by Commissioner Carvajal. Motion **passed 2-0-2**, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Commissioner Eduardo Carvajal
Chairperson Graciela Ortiz

NOES: Commissioner(s): None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner(s): Commissioner John Estrada
Commissioner Mario Gomez

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

1. HOUSING ELEMENT IMPLEMENTATION: DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENT AND HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS - AMENDMENT TO THE DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN AND TITLE 9, ZONING, OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE TO IMPLEMENT HOUSING ELEMENT PROGRAMS 7, 10, AND 13 (Case No. 2024-01). CARRIED OVER FROM DECEMBER 18, 2024, MEETING.

Ms. Quintero presented a detailed PowerPoint presentation to the Commission providing in-depth information about the Housing Element Program Updates. After careful analysis, Ms. Quintero determined that all five necessary findings were met and recommended that the Planning Commission approve the Downtown Specific Plan Amendment.

Commissioners inquired why Planning Commission would no longer need to approve new development projects. Ms. Hernandez informed commissioners a CUP would no longer be required and that these steps were taken to follow state regulations to streamline projects. These changes were made to help the city reach the goal of creating 2500 new homes.

Commissioners inquired about the process for development with new amendment. Mr. Bollier confirmed that new developments would still require planning department approval. Mr. Bollier confirmed that these changes were made to comply with state regulations and would legalize certain homes that are already taking place in the downtown district.

Commissioners inquired about parking requirements. Mr. Bollier informed the Commissioners that the parking requirement can be waived but they understand it is needed. Mr. Bollier brought up measure PP that would create a permit parking program to help with the current parking issues.

Commissioner Gomez motioned to Approve AMENDMENT TO THE DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN AND TITLE 9, ZONING, OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE TO IMPLEMENT HOUSING ELEMENT PROGRAMS 7, 10, AND 13 (Case No. 2024-01) seconded by Commissioner Estrada. Motion passed 4-0-0, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Commissioner Eduardo Carvajal
Commissioner John Estrada
Commissioner Mario Gomez
Chairperson Graciela Ortiz

NOES: Commissioner(s): None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner(s): None

RECEIVE AND FILE - None

STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Bollier wishes the Commission a Happy New Years. Mr. Infanzon introduces himself to the Commission and informs them the Community Development Department is working to keep up with state regulations to streamline projects. He extends anyone to reach out to him if needed.

PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

1. Commissioner John Estrada wishes everyone a Happy New Years.
2. Commissioner Eduardo Carvajal thanks the staff and Mr. Bollier. Commissioner Carvajal also thanks Commissioner Gomez for being the one to appoint him to the commission years ago.
3. Commissioner Mario Gomez apologizes for not being here at the last meeting and wishes everyone a Happy New Year.
4. Chairperson Graciela Ortiz thanks staff for all they do for the community even with different changes.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:55 p.m. the City of Huntington Park Planning Commission adjourned to a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Paul Bollier
Acting Planning Commission Secretary