



MINUTES

HUNTINGTON BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2007
HUNTINGTON BEACH CIVIC CENTER
2000 MAIN STREET, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA 92648

5:15 P.M. - ROOM B-8 (CITY HALL LOWER LEVEL)

CALL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: P P P P A P P
Shier-Burnett, Speaker, Livengood, Scandura, Horgan, Dwyer, Farley
(Commissioner Horgan excused absence)

AGENDA APPROVAL

A MOTION WAS MADE BY FARLEY, SECONDED BY DWYER, TO MOVE STUDY SESSION ITEM A-2 IN ADVANCE OF ITEM A-1; STUDY SESSION ITEM E AHEAD OF ITEM B; AND TO APPROVE THE PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA OF JANUARY 23, 2007, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Shier-Burnett, Speaker, Livengood, Scandura, Dwyer, Farley
NOES: None
ABSENT: Horgan
ABSTAIN: None

MOTION APPROVED

THE MINUTES WILL REFLECT ITEMS IN THEIR ORIGINAL ORDER

A. PROJECT REVIEW (FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS):

A-1. ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 06-08 (AMENDING SECTION 230.96- WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES) – Rosemary Medel

Continued to a date uncertain at the request of the City Attorney.

A-2. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 05-29 (HB DENTAL BUILDING) – Rami Talleh

Rami Talleh, Associate Planner, gave an overview of the proposed project.

Discussion ensued between Commissioners and staff regarding access to the property for customers and emergency vehicles. Talleh stated that the access would be primarily from Warner Ave. and there is a turning radius requirement for emergency vehicles and a three foot maneuvering area at the end of the drive aisle.

Shier-Burnett asked about the center island located on Warner Avenue and expressed concern that patrons traveling west would make illegal left turns to enter the property. Talleh stated that the center island is present and that it may be extended in the future. He added that a bond may be put in place for the future construction of the center island to prohibit illegal left turns.

B. STUDY SESSION ITEMS:

B-1. RULES, PROTOCOLS, AND BYLAWS – Chairperson Scandura

Chair Scandura reviewed the three documents with the Planning Commission. Scandura discussed possible changes to some of the rules regarding conduct in the near future and recommended the Commissioners read Robert's Rules of Order.

B-2. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS – Chairperson Scandura

Scandura presented a draft assignment list for review by the Planning Commission. Scandura stated that he received the recommendations from the Commissioners and would present the formal assignments for action by the Planning Commission at the February 13, 2007, meeting.

Commissioner Speaker suggested that a member of the Planning Commission be assigned to the Senior Center Committee. Scott Hess, Acting Director of Planning, stated that there is a member of the Planning Department currently on the Committee; however, City Council did not include a member of the Planning Commission. Hess noted that the Planning Commission would be made aware of any upcoming committee meetings.

B-3. CHAIR GOALS 2007 – Chairperson Scandura

Chair Scandura reviewed his goals for the Planning Commission. He stated he would like to focus on decision making, teamwork, and working with the City Council and staff in order to achieve these goals.

**B-4. ANNUAL PLANNER'S INSTITUTE – LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES
(MARCH 21-23, 2007, SAN DIEGO) – Chairperson Scandura**

Chair Scandura discussed the upcoming conference and the benefits to the Planning Commission. He noted that he and Commissioners Speaker, Shier-Burnett, Farley, and Dwyer would be attending the conference.

C. AGENDA REVIEW (UPDATE ON ALL AGENDA ITEMS):

Herb Fauland, Acting Planning Manager, reviewed the agenda items for the 7:00 p.m. portion of the meeting.

D. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Chair Scandura reported that he attended the Council/School District Issues Committee meeting on January 12, 2007. The Committee reviewed the Fountain Valley School District's Strategic Plan and the property redevelopment program. Scandura stated that the Wardlow/Lamb School sites have not yet been sold. He also distributed some information regarding graffiti prevention.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Regarding Study Session Portion of Meeting):

Ali Rezaei, applicant for Study Session Item A-2 spoke in favor of the proposed project and stated he was available for questions.

Bob Dingwall gave an explanation of why the City approved the allocation of speaker's time.

F. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS:

Commissioner Speaker asked if staff recommendations on projects typically include an alternative action recommendation. Staff provided an explanation.

Commissioner Livengood suggested changes to the various city departments' code requirements letter and the suggested conditions for approval. He noted that they be consistent with the requirements listed in the Fire Department's format. Scott Hess noted that the suggestions are good and that staff will be evaluating the code requirements letter and incorporating changes.

6:40 P.M. – RECESS FOR DINNER

7:15 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CALL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Commissioner Shier-Burnett

ROLL CALL: *P* *P* *P* *P* *A* *A* *P*
Shier-Burnett, Speaker, Livengood, Scandura, Horgan, Dwyer, Farley
(Commissioners Horgan, Dwyer excused absences)

AGENDA APPROVAL

A MOTION WAS MADE BY FARLEY, SECONDED BY SPEAKER, TO MOVE ITEM D-1 AHEAD OF ITEM C AND TO APPROVE THE PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA OF JANUARY 23, 2007, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Shier-Burnett, Speaker, Livengood, Scandura, Farley
NOES: None
ABSENT: Horgan, Dwyer
ABSTAIN: None

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PRESENTATION OF PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 1615 IN APPRECIATION TO OUTGOING CHAIRPERSON DINGWALL

Chair Scandura and Former Mayor Dave Sullivan presented Former Planning Commissioner Dingwall with a resolution and plaque in appreciation of his service on the Planning Commission and to the City of Huntington Beach.

Dingwall thanked the Commissioners and the Staff for their dedication and hard work. He stated that he was honored to have the opportunity to serve the City of Huntington Beach.

A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Tim Geddes, resident, commended the Planning Commission on their preparation, review, and denial of the Park Avenue Marina project.

B. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS - NONE

C. CONSENT CALENDAR:

C-1. PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES DATED OCTOBER 10, 2006

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Motion to: "Approve the October 10, 2006, Planning Commission Minutes as submitted."

A MOTION WAS MADE BY FARLEY, SECONDED BY SHIER-BURNETT, TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 10, 2006, PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES AS SUBMITTED, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Shier-Burnett, Livengood, Scandura, Farley
NOES: None
ABSENT: Horgan, Dwyer
ABSTAIN: Speaker

MOTION APPROVED

C-2. PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES DATED OCTOBER 24, 2006

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Motion to: "Approve the October 24, 2006, Planning Commission Minutes as submitted."

A MOTION WAS MADE BY FARLEY, SECONDED BY SHIER-BURNETT, TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 24, 2006, PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES AS SUBMITTED, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Shier-Burnett, Scandura, Farley
NOES: None
ABSENT: Horgan, Dwyer
ABSTAIN: Speaker, Livengood

MOTION APPROVED

C-3. PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES DATED NOVEMBER 14, 2006

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Motion to: "Approve the November 14, 2006, Planning Commission Minutes as submitted."

A MOTION WAS MADE BY LIVENGOOD, SECONDED BY FARLEY, TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 14, 2006, PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES AS SUBMITTED, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Shier-Burnett, Livengood, Scandura, Farley
NOES: None
ABSENT: Horgan, Dwyer
ABSTAIN: Speaker

MOTION APPROVED

C-4. PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES DATED DECEMBER 12, 2006

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Motion to: "Approve the December 12, 2006, Planning Commission Minutes as submitted."

A MOTION WAS MADE BY LIVENGOOD, SECONDED BY FARLEY, TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 12, 2006, PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES AS SUBMITTED, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Shier-Burnett, Livengood, Scandura, Farley
NOES: None
ABSENT: Horgan, Dwyer
ABSTAIN: Speaker

MOTION APPROVED

D. NON-PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS:

D-1. EXTENSION OF TIME NO. 06-10 (PACIFIC CITY - TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. 16338) Applicant: Michael Gagnet Request: To permit a one year extension of time for Tentative Tract Map No. 16338. Location: 21002 Pacific Coast Highway (between First and Huntington Streets, south of Atlanta Avenue) Project Planner: Jane James

RECOMMENDATION: Motion to: "Approve Extension of Time for Tentative Tract Map No. 16338 for a one year period of time to March 23, 2008."

The Commission made the following disclosures:

- Commissioner Shier-Burnett – None.
- Commissioner Speaker – None.
- Commissioner Livengood – None.
- Chair Scandura - None.
- Commissioner Farley drove by the site.

Jane James, Senior Planner, gave a Powerpoint presentation of the proposed request and provided an outline as to what has been completed on the project to date and what is slated to be completed in the near future.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY LIVENGOOD, SECONDED BY SPEAKER TO APPROVE EXTENSION OF TIME NO. 06-10, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Shier-Burnett, Speaker, Livengood, Scandura, Farley
NOES: None
ABSENT: Horgan, Dwyer
ABSTAIN: None

MOTION APPROVED

E. PLANNING ITEMS

E-1. CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Herb Fauland, Acting Planning Manager - reported that the Bicycle Parking and Density Bonus Zoning Text Amendments had been approved at the January 16, 2007, meeting.

E-2. CITY COUNCIL ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Herb Fauland, Acting Planning Manager – reported on the items scheduled for the next City Council meeting.

E-3. PLANNING COMMISSION ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Herb Fauland, Acting Planning Manager – reported on the items scheduled for the next Planning Commission meeting.

F. PLANNING COMMISSION ITEMS

F-1. PLANNING COMMISSION REQUEST ITEMS – NONE

F-2. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Shier-Burnett – Thanked Bob Dingwall for all his help while on the Commission.

Commissioner Speaker – None.

Vice-Chairperson Livengood – Congratulated Bob Dingwall on his award.

Chairperson Scandura – None.

Commissioner Farley – Thanked Bob Dingwall for his assistance while on the Commission.

Commissioner Horgan – Absent.

Commissioner Dwyer – Absent.

ADJOURNMENT:

Adjourned at 7:40 p.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting of February 13, 2007.

APPROVED BY:

Scott Hess, Secretary

John Scandura, Chair