

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA PALMA PLANNING COMMISSION

October 6, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Kim called the Regular Meeting of the La Palma Planning Commission to order at 7:37 p.m. in the Council Chambers of La Palma City Hall, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, California, with all members present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commission Member Shanahan

INVOCATION: President Rick Nitta, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

ROLL CALL: Commission Members

Commission Members present: Vice Chairperson Goedhart, Commission Member Hwangbo, Chairperson Kim, Commission Member Shanahan, and Commission Member Steggell

Commission Members absent: None

City Officials present: Ellen Volmert, City Manager
Joel Kuperberg, City Attorney
Douglas Dumhart, Community Development Director
Eric Nuñez, Police Chief
James Tsumura, Water Supervisor
Kimberly Kenney, Deputy City Clerk

CONSENT CALENDAR

PL-1. Approval of Planning Commission Minutes

Minutes of the September 15, 2015, Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission.

Commission Member Hwangbo made a motion to approve Consent Calendar Item PL-1.

The motion was seconded by Chairperson Kim and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Vice Chairperson Goedhart, Commission Member Hwangbo, Chairperson Kim, Commission Member Shanahan, and Commission Member Steggell

NOES: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PL-2. Consideration of Resolutions Recommending Approval of Tentative Parcel Map 2015-156 and Precise Plan 281, for a 3-lot Single-Family Subdivision Located at 8231 Moody Street (APNs 262-077-01 & 262-077-02) (ITEM TO BE RESCHEDULED)

a) Chairperson Kim opened the Public Hearing at 7:38 p.m.

b) Public Input:

Terry Weber, a La Palma resident, addressed the City Council regarding concerns for the procedures of public notification regarding the September 28, and October 6, 2015, public meetings regarding this property; that the public hearing notices were not delivered by the Post Office; that the mailing issues have never been addressed; and concern for the outcome of the property sectioned to be deeded back to the City.

Chairperson Kim clarified that the City Council serves as the Planning commission and the City is not going to have any ownership of any piece of that property, but is commissioned to approve what can be done with or on that property.

Community Development Director reported that the Development Committee has requested for additional information to be returned to them at the Special Meeting scheduled for October 26; explained that Staff meets the legal noticing requirements by posting at locations in the City, at the location site, through direct mail well over two weeks in advance to all residents even outside of the required 500 foot mailing, and published in an adjudicated newspaper at least twice - all of which are above and beyond the required notification procedures; that Staff has delivered the notices to the Cerritos post office because of the better dispatching record; and that Staff gets mail returned to us with notification that the person no longer lives there, so Staff knows that the post office is doing its job.

Mr. Weber noted that he did receive the agenda; however, although the City mailed the notices, at least three of his neighbors did not receive the notice and he would like that addressed.

Community Development Director Dumhart responded that Staff will continue to meet the legal noticing requirements, but for this particular project, the Associate Planner has volunteered to hand deliver the mailings. He added that Staff will be using the City's readerboard for advertising these meetings.

City Manager Volmert responded that it is important to discuss the mailing issues with the Post Office and Staff will be addressing that at our local branch.

Chairperson Kim noted that the Planning Commission will not hear the matter until after the Development Committee reviews the project and makes its recommendation and asked for clarification on the meeting date.

Community Development Director Dumhart responded that the next regularly scheduled Development Committee meeting is on November 9, 2015; however, that Committee has informed Staff that they will have a quorum for a special meeting to review the project and announced their availability on October 26, 2015 - and that has been scheduled.

- c) Chairperson Kim closed the Public Hearing at 7:49 p.m.
- d) Direct staff to re-advertise Public Hearing when the matter is ready to be heard.

By consensus, the Planning Commission directed staff to re-advertise the Public Hearing when the matter is ready to be heard.

REGULAR ITEMS

None Scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Kim adjourned the Regular Meeting of the La Palma Planning Commission at 7:50 p.m.

Peter L. Kim
Chairperson

Attest:

Laurie A. Murray, CMC
City Clerk