

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA PALMA PLANNING COMMISSION

February 2, 2016

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Goedhart called the Regular Meeting of the La Palma Planning Commission to order at 7:07 p.m. in the Council Chambers of La Palma City Hall, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commission Member Shanahan

INVOCATION: Father Rudy Alumam, St. Irenaeus Catholic Church

ROLL CALL: Commission Members

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

Commission Members absent: None

City Officials present: Laurie A. Murray, City Manager
Michelle Molko, Assistant City Attorney
Michael Belknap, Community Services Director
Douglas Dumhart, Community Development Director
Mike McCrary, Interim Police Chief
Kimberly Kenney, Deputy City Clerk

CONSENT CALENDAR

PL-1. Approval of Planning Commission Minutes

Minutes of the January 19, 2016, Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission.

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

The motion was seconded by Commission Member Shanahan and carried on the following vote:

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

NOES: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PL-2. Consideration of a Resolution Approving Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 370 to Operate a Liquor Store (Palma Liquor); Selling Beer, Wine and Distilled Spirits for Off-Premise Consumption Under a Type 21 (Off-Sale General) Alcohol License from the State of California Department of Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC); Located at 5466 La Palma Avenue, La Palma, California 90623 (Assessor's Parcel Number: 262-102-19)

- a) Chairperson Goedhart opened the Public Hearing at 7:08 p.m.
- b) Community Development Director Dumhart gave the Staff Report
- c) Commissioner Comments and Questions

None.

- d) Public Input:

Louis Tothe, a La Palma Resident, addressed the City Council regarding clarification of the address for the relocation of the business as Google Maps is showing the address at a different location than staff is.

Community Development Director Dumhart responded that Google Maps is incorrect; and that the business is located in the suite adjacent to the Dentist.

Elouisa Velasquez, a La Palma resident, addressed the City Council regarding her support for the relocation of Palma Liquor store; support for the owner; and support for the owner's staff.

Lisa Volivitch, a La Palma resident, addressed the City council regarding her support for the business owner and his staff.

Roberta Riaz, a La Palma resident, addressed the City Council regarding her support for the staff at Palma Liquor; and that they do card youngsters who try to buy cigarettes.

Jade Bartholomew, a La Palma resident, addressed the City Council regarding her support for the business owner and his staff.

Nino Poureshagh, a La Palma resident, addressed the City Council regarding his support for the business owner; and support for the business relocation.

Robert Carruth, a La Palma resident, addressed the City Council regarding his support for the business owner; that the owner is a good neighbor; and announced his support for the relocation of the business.

John Odee, a La Palma resident, addressed the City Council regarding his support for the business owner and staff; and that he will continue to do his business with them.

Mike and Mary Paningsoro, La Palma residents, addressed the City council regarding support for the business owner.

- e) Chairperson Goedhart closed the Public Hearing at 7:18 p.m.

Commission Comments and Questions:

Discussion ensued regarding the amount of support for the business; that the business owner is also a resident of the City; that the business has been part of La Palma for over forty years; that the business owner has always been a responsible operator of that business.

- f) Adopt Resolution No. PC 2016-05 approving Conditional Use Permit 370 for the operation of a liquor store (Palma Liquor) selling beer, wine, and distilled spirits for off-premise consumption under a Type 21 alcohol license at 5466 La Palma Avenue, La Palma, California 90623 (Assessor's Parcel Number: 262-102-19).

Commission Member Hwangbo made a motion to adopt Resolution No. PC 2016-05 approving Conditional Use Permit 370 for the operation of a liquor store (Palma Liquor) selling beer, wine, and distilled spirits for off-premise consumption under a Type 21 alcohol license at 5466 La Palma Avenue, La Palma, California 90623 (Assessor's Parcel Number: 262-102-19). The motion was seconded by Commission Member Kim.

Discussion further ensued regarding support for the project; that with the relocation, that the owner and staff be mindful of kids who have access to alcohol; and support for the business.

The motion carried on the following vote:

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

NOES: None

Mr. Patel, business owner for Palma Liquor, announced that he will make every endeavor to continue to be a good merchant in La Palma; gave a brief history of his business; that he has never permitted any questionable activity; that he monitors the children who patronize his store; and thanked the Planning Commission for their support.

REGULAR ITEMS

None Scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Goedhart adjourned the Regular Meeting of the La Palma Planning Commission at 7:22 p.m.

Gerard Goedhart
Chairperson

Attest:

Kimberly Kenney
Deputy City Clerk