

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE LA PALMA PLANNING COMMISSION  
July 6, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Shanahan called the regular meeting of the La Palma Planning Commission to order at 7:12 p.m. in the Council Chambers of La Palma, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commission Member Waldman

INVOCATION: Commission Member Waldman

ROLL CALL: Commission Members

Commission Members present: Commission Member Charoen, Commission Member Herman, Vice Chairperson Rodriguez, Chairperson Shanahan, and Commission Member Waldman

Commission Members absent: None

City Officials present: Dominic Lazzaretto, City Manager  
Joel Kuperberg, City Attorney  
Douglas Dumhart, Community Development Director  
Ed Ethell, Chief of Police  
Jan Hobson, Recreation & Community Services Director  
Jeff Moneda, Public Works Director/City Engineer  
Keith Neves, Finance Director  
Laurie Murray, Administrative Services Manager/City Clerk  
Kimberly Kenney, Minutes Clerk

CONSENT CALENDAR

PL-1. Approval of Planning Commission Minutes

Minutes of the June 15, 2010, Regular Meeting of the La Palma Planning Commission.

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

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

AYES: Commission Member Charoen, Commission Member Herman, Vice Chairperson Rodriguez, Chairperson Shanahan, and Commission Member Waldman

NOES: None

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

PL-2. Amendment No. 1 to Conditional Use Permit 338, a Request from Walgreens Co. to Add Specific Conditions Pertaining to Beer and Wine Sales Under a Type-20 Off-Sale Beer and Wine License at the Walgreens Pharmacy Located at 5961 La Palma Avenue.

- a) Chairperson Shanahan opened the Public Hearing at 7:13 p.m.
- b) Community Development Director Dumhart gave the Staff Report
- c) Public Input

Paul Blankenship, Walgreens' District Manager, addressed the Planning Commission regarding Walgreens' support for the project; that the amendment is based on customer demand; and that Walgreens will comply with the Conditions of Approval set by the City.

- d) Chairperson Shanahan closed the Public Hearing at 7:23 p.m.

Chairperson Shanahan reopened the Public Hearing at 7:24 p.m.

- e) Commission Comments and Questions

Commission Member Herman asked how Walgreens' staff determines the age of customers purchasing alcohol.

Emily Kieffer, La Palma Walgreens Store Manager, responded that Walgreens' policy requires that staff ask for identification if a customer appears to be under 40 years old.

Commission Member Charoen asked the applicant if Walgreens plans to pursue alcohol sales if the Planning Commission denies the application.

Emily Kieffer, Walgreens Store Manager, reported that the matter would have to be decided at the corporate level.

Vice Chairperson Rodriguez asked the applicant how quickly Walgreens plans to start the sale of alcohol.

Paul Blankenship, Walgreens District Manager, responded that the sale of alcohol would start as soon as the State of California approves their Alcohol and Beverage Control (ABC) license.

Vice Chairperson Rodriguez reported that when Walgreens' original Conditional Use Permit (CUP) was approved, Walgreens was not pursuing a 24 hour facility and asked the applicant if they plan to change their hours of operation.

Paul Blankenship, Walgreens District Manager, responded that Walgreens has 17, 24-hour facilities in Orange County and does not plan to pursue a change in the current hours of operation.

Chairperson Shanahan closed the Public Hearing at 7:27 p.m.

Chairperson Shanahan added that he was pleased that Walgreens was not selling alcohol in individual containers.

- f) Resolution No. PC 2010-05 approving Amendment No. 1 to Conditional Use Permit 338, a request from Walgreens Co. to add specific conditions pertaining to beer and wine sales under a Type-20 Off-Sale Beer and Wine License at the Walgreens Pharmacy located at 5961 La Palma Avenue.

Vice Chairperson Rodriguez made a motion to adopt Resolution No. PC 2010-05 approving Amendment No. 1 to Conditional Use Permit 338, a request from Walgreens Co. to add specific conditions pertaining to beer and wine sales under a Type-20 Off-Sale Beer and Wine License at the Walgreens Pharmacy located at 5961 La Palma Avenue.

The motion was seconded by Commission Member Herman.

Commission Member Charoen noted his opposition to the amendment and announced that he would not support the Resolution.

The motion carried on the following vote:

AYES: Commission Member Herman, Vice  
Chairperson Rodriguez, Chairperson  
Shanahan, and Commission Member  
Waldman

NOES: Commission Member Charoen

REGULAR ITEMS

None Scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Shanahan adjourned the Regular Meeting of the La Palma Planning Commission at 7:29 p.m.

/s/

Steve Shanahan, Chairperson

Attest:

/s/

Laurie A. Murray, City Clerk