



**PLANNING COMMISSION
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Council Chambers
8200 Westminster Boulevard
Westminster, CA 92683
July 19, 2023
6:30 p.m.**

1. PLANNING COMMISSION ROLL CALL:

ANDERSON, BUI, HAMADE, POWER, WOLBERT

PRESENT: ANDERSON, BUI, POWER, WOLBERT

ABSENT: HAMADE

STAFF PRESENT:

Steven Ratkay, Planning Manager; Russell Miyahira, Assistant City Attorney; Shelley Stevens, Senior Administrative Assistant.

2. SALUTE TO FLAG

Commissioner Power led the salute to the flag.

3. REPORT FROM PLANNING SECRETARY ON LATE COMMUNICATION ITEMS

Planning Manager Ratkay reported that there were no late communications.

4. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

There were no ex parte communications reported.

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS - None

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Terry Rains offered that the Planning Commission had approved Case No. 2022-370 (PACE Elderly day healthcare facility) on May 3rd, and that Vice Mayor Nguyen called the project for a City Council review. She opined there was no legal basis for the City Council to overturn the Planning Commission approval. She spoke about a delay in processing Case No. 2022-0381 (Karaoke facility located within the Asian Garden Mall) and recent Planning Commission meeting cancellations due to a lack of business. She felt that the planning commission meeting cancellations unfairly delayed the businesses processing and offered that the City should do better to ensure new businesses are processed efficiently.

Discussion ensued regarding a request by Chair Bui for a copy of Ms. Rains written public comment. Ms. Rains declared that she only had one copy so she would not be able to provide it to all the Commissioners as required. She stated that she could provide it to the Planning Commission Clerk via email, who then could provide it to the Commissioners.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 3, 2023

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Anderson, and seconded by Commissioner Wolbert, to approve the minutes of May 3, 2023, as presented.

The motion carried (4-0) with the following vote:

AYES:	ANDERSON, BUI, POWER, WOLBERT
NOES:	NONE
ABSENT:	HAMADE
ABSTAIN:	NONE

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

9. REGULAR BUSINESS - None

10. REPORTS

10.1 UPDATE ON STATE HOUSING LEGISLATION

Planning Manager Ratkay provided a PowerPoint presentation to the Commission. He provided an update on the following housing legislative items:

- SB 330 – Housing Crisis Act
- AB 2011
- SB 6

Discussion ensued about potential long-term impacts of the housing laws, how other cities have responded to the new housing laws, benefits of having a certified housing element, affordable housing components of the housing laws, the definition of transitional and supportive housing, and reduced parking requirements within many of the State housing laws.

11. MATTERS FROM STAFF

Planning Manager Ratkay thanked the planning commissioners for hard work they do for the community, thanked staff for all the work they put into preparing for the meeting, and thanked the Public Cable Television Authority (PCTA) crew for their work to run a smooth meeting.

12. MATTERS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION – INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS WHEN REQUIRED

Commissioner Power thanked staff for the very informative presentation.

Chair Bui thanked his fellow commissioners for their attendance and thanked the video crew from PCTA for their assistance with the meeting.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m. to a regular meeting on Wednesday, August 2, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

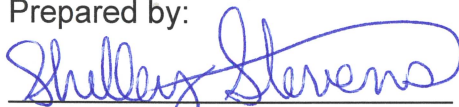


Tony Bui
Planning Commission Chair



Steven Ratkay
Planning Commission Secretary

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