



APPROVED: May 13, 2024

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SANTA FE SPRINGS PLANNING COMMISSION

January 16, 2024

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Carbajal called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Carbajal called upon Commissioner Jimenez to lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Members present:

Chairperson Carbajal
Vice Chairperson Ayala
Commissioner Flores
Commissioner Jimenez
Commissioner Mora

Staff:

Kristi J. Smith, Deputy City Attorney
Wayne M. Morrell, Director of Planning
Cuong Nguyen, Assistant Director of Planning
Vince Velasco, Senior Planner
Rudy Lopez, Planning Intern
Teresa Cavallo, Planning Secretary

Members absent:

None

4. **EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS**

None

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

2023 Department of Planning and Development Accomplishments

Recommendation:

- Receive the presentation from Planning staff and provide feedback as desired.

Chair Carbajal called upon Planning Intern Rudy Lopez to present the 2023 Planning and Development Department Accomplishments presentation.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

7. PUBLIC HEARING

Amendment to Development Plan Approval ("DPA") Case No. 969 and Amendment to Modification Permit ("MOD") Case No. 1322 – to allow the replacement of one (1) existing tank at 8 ft. in diameter and 18 ft. in height and three (3) existing tanks at 8 ft. in diameter and 12 ft. in height with four new tanks at 14 ft. in diameter and 30 ft. in height, and to not provide full screening from the four proposed tanks from the public right-of-way (Emmens Way) at 10747 Patterson Place, within the M-2, Heavy Manufacturing, Zone and adopting a notice of exemption under CEQA Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) (Brenntag Pacific, Inc.)

Recommendation:

- Open the Public Hearing and receive the written and oral staff report and any comments from the public regarding Amendment to DPA Case No. 969, and Amendment to MOD Case No. 1322, and thereafter, close the Public Hearing; and
- Find and determine that pursuant to Section 15301, Class 1 (Existing Facilities), of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the project is Categorically Exempt; and
- Find and determine that the proposed project will not be detrimental to persons or properties in the surrounding area or to the City in general, and will be in conformance with the overall purpose and objective of the Zoning Ordinance and consistent with the goals, policies and program of the City's General Plan; and
- Find that the applicant's DPA request meets the criteria set forth in §155.739 of the City's Zoning Ordinance, for the granting of a Development Plan Approval; and
- Find that the applicant's MOD requests meet the criteria set forth in §155.695 and §155.696 of the Zoning Ordinance, for the granting of a Modification Permit; and
- Approve Amendment to DPA 969 and Amendment to MOD 1322, subject to the conditions of approval as contained within Resolution No. 255-2024; and
- Adopt Resolution No. 255-2024, which incorporates the Planning Commission's findings and actions regarding this matter; and
- Take such additional, related action that may be desirable

Chair Carbajal called upon Planning Intern Rudy Lopez to present Item No. 7.

Chair Carbajal asked if any of the Planning Commissioners had any questions.

Having no questions, Chair Carbajal opened the Public Hearing and asked if the Applicant wished to speak to please approach the podium or use the raised hand function.

Applicant Mike Griswald with Brenntag addressed the Planning Commissioners and provide a brief history on his business and thanked the Planning Commissioners for their consideration.

Chair Carbajal inquired if any comments were received via email. Planning Secretary Teresa Cavallo responded no comments were received.

Having no further questions or comments, Chair Carbajal closed the Public Hearing at 6:34 p.m. and requested a motion.

It was moved by Commissioner Mora, seconded by Commissioner Jimenez to approve Resolution 255-2024 for Amendment to Development Plan Approval ("DPA") Case No. 969, and Amendment to Modification Permit ("MOD") Case No. 1322, which passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Ayala, Carbajal, Flores, Jimenez, and Mora
Nays: None
Absent: None

Deputy City Attorney Kristi J. Smith read the City's appeal process.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Election of Commission Officers for 2024

Planning Secretary Teresa Cavallo declared the Office of Planning Commission Chairperson vacant and requested nominations.

Commissioner Jimenez nominated Vice Chair Ayala for Chairperson, having no further nominations the Office of Chair was closed.

Commissioner Jimenez moved to confirm the nomination for Commissioner Ayala, Commissioner Carbajal seconded the nomination, which passed with the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Ayala, Carbajal, Flores, Jimenez, and Mora
Nays: None
Absent: None

Planning Secretary Teresa Cavallo declared the Office of Planning Commission Vice Chair vacated and requested nominations.

Commissioner Carbajal nominated Commissioner Mora, having no further nominations the Office for Vice Chair was closed.

Commissioner Carbajal moved to confirm the nomination of Vice Chair Mora, Commissioner Jimenez seconded the nomination, which passed with the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Ayala, Carbajal, Flores, Jimenez, and Mora
Nays: None
Absent: None

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items are considered routine matters, which may be enacted, by one motion and roll call vote. Any item may be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately by the Planning Commission.

- A. Conditional Use Permit ("CUP") Case No. 495-7 – A Compliance Review of an existing Dance Studio and Theatrical Arts School, located at 9730 Alburtis Avenue, in the ML, Limited Manufacturing, Zone. (SFS Performing Arts Center by Jason Weiss)
- B. Conditional Use Permit ("CUP") Case No. 815-1 – A time extension of a Temporary Truck Trailer and Tractor Storage Yard at 11708 Pike Street, within the M-2, Heavy Manufacturing, Zone. (Brenntag Pacific, Inc.)

Chair Ayala requested a motion and a second for Consent Item Nos. 9A, 9B.

It was moved by Commissioner Carbajal, seconded by Commissioner Flores to approve Consent Item Nos. 9A, 9B, which passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Ayala, Carbajal, Flores, Jimenez, and Mora

Nays: None

Absent: None

Deputy City Attorney Kristi J Smith read the City's appeal process.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Commissioners

Commissioner Jimenez congratulated all of the Commissioners for a great year.

Chair Ayala thanked all of the Commissioners for his new role.

Commissioner Carbajal thanked the Commissioners, Planning Department, and Staff, she also mentioned that the Women's Club will be having their Quartermania event March 17. She also mentioned that Santa Fe Springs Sister City Committee is restarting their Young Ambassadors Student Exchange this summer for 2024.

Vice Chair Mora thanked Commissioner Carbajal for her time as Chair. He mentioned what a success the Tree Lighting Event was and the Santa Float program.

- Staff

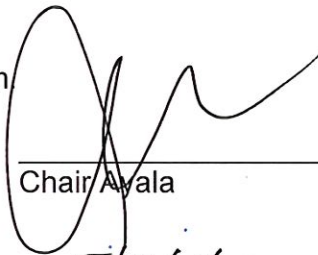
Planning Secretary Teresa Cavallo mentioned the upcoming Monday holiday that would impact the February meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ayala adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

ATTEST:


Teresa Cavallo
Planning Secretary


Chair Ayala

5/13/24
Date