

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
SANTA FE SPRINGS PLANNING COMMISSION
NOVEMBER 22, 2010**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Oblea called the Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Oblea led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL was taken, with the following results:

Present: Chairperson Oblea
Vice Chairperson Madrigal
Commissioner Moore
Commissioner Rios
Commissioner Ybarra

Staff: Paul Ashworth, Director of Planning and Development
Wayne Morrell, Principal Planner
Steve Masura, Redevelopment Manager
Luis Collazo, Code Enforcement
Susan Beasley, Executive Secretary

Absent: Cuong Nguyen, Associate Planner
Steve Skolnik, City Attorney

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Having no one wishing to speak, Oral Communications were declared closed by Chairperson Oblea.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of November 8, 2010, upon unanimous consent, were declared approved by Chairperson Oblea, with one correction noted on page 3.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioners:

The Planning Commissioners expressed Thanksgiving wishes to each other and staff.

Vice Chairperson Madrigal requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of city employee Anthony (Doc) Lopez, Dan Puentes, husband of former Planning Commissioner Lillian Puentes, and long-time residents Mrs. Esparza and Mrs. Martinez.

Mr. Ashworth advised Planning Commissioners that City Hall would be closed between Christmas and New Years due to furlough. The Planning Commissioners discussed whether they wanted to meet one or two meetings in December. It was unanimously decided to only meet on December 13, with that meeting being adjourned to January 10, 2011. Commissioner Moore announced that he would be out of town on December 13.

Vice Chairperson Madrigal asked if there was an ordinance regarding residents sweeping debris into the gutters and streets. Mr. Collazo answered that staff would provide a copy of the regulations at the next meeting, but did state that pollutants such as household waste and activities such as draining a swimming pool are not allowed to be discharged into the gutter or stormdrain.

Commissioner Moore asked about the I-5 widening project and notification process for those affected. Mr. Ashworth explained that Cal Trans contacted the affected residents in September; however, Cal Trans has an agreement with the city to notify the city first. Mr. Ashworth indicated that the next Cal Trans notification to residents is expected to occur in January 2011.

Mr. Ashworth proposes in January for staff to make a presentation on transportation related projects planned throughout the city, including the Transportation Center, Metro Gold Line extension and the I-5 Freeway widening project.

Staff:

Mrs. Beasley announced that the Council Study Session previously scheduled for December 9, regarding the revised Conditional Use Permit process, will be re-scheduled to February. She also reminded Planning Commissioners that the annual Planning Commission reorganization will take place during the January 10th meeting.

Mr. Ashworth announced that City Council, at its meeting November 23, would be considering for adoption the revised Heritage Artwork in Public Places Handbook.

Mr. Ashworth advised the Planning Commissioners that the City Council has postponed taking any action on the medical marijuana issue until the outcome of litigation involving the cities of Anaheim and Long Beach is known.

Mr. Collazo passed out a copy of Ordinance 92.101, regarding dog waste, which was requested at the last meeting.

Mr. Masura updated the Commissioners on the zip code survey, which is halfway through the 30-day period. Survey cards were sent to approximately 350 residents and 350 businesses in the affected areas. Response is revealing residents 2 to 1 in favor and businesses 2 to 1 opposed. He indicated that this is a better response than the first survey sent by the Post Office which was not bilingual. The final decision will still be made by the Postmaster.

Mr. Morrell gave an informative presentation on Land Use Entitlements, covering public notices, Conditional Use Permits, Modifications, Development Plan Approvals, General Plan Amendments and Variances. Part II will be presented at a later date.

Chairperson Oblea requested a copy of Mr. Morrell's presentation. Staff will send a copy to each Commissioner.

Commissioner Moore said the presentation and discussion was excellent.

7. ADJOURNMENT

At 5:40 p.m., Chairperson Oblea adjourned the Planning Commission meeting in memory of Doc Lopez, Dan Puentes, Mrs. Esparza and Mrs. Martinez.


Chairperson Oblea

ATTEST:


Susan Beasley, Secretary