

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
SANTA FE SPRINGS PLANNING COMMISSION
OCTOBER 24, 2011**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Madrigal called the Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 4:31 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Oblea led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Staff: Paul Ashworth, Director of Planning and Development
Wayne Morrell, Principal Planner
Luis Collazo, Code Enforcement Inspector
Steve Skolnik, City Attorney
Susan Beasley, Executive Secretary

Absent: Cuong Nguyen, Associate Planner
Paul Garcia, Intern

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chairperson Madrigal welcomed Councilmember Moore and City Manager, Thaddeus McCormack. There being no one wishing to speak, Oral Communications were closed.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 10, 2011 meeting were approved upon unanimous consent and filed as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARING - CONTINUED BUSINESS

6. Conditional Use Permit Case No. 723

A request for approval to establish, operate, and maintain a pawnshop, at 14156 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite C, within a 1,032 sq ft portion of a 5,295 sq ft retail building located in the C-4 PD, Community Commercial Planned Development Zone. (Fares Tabello, Palm Jewelers and Pawn)

Mr. Skolnik announced that the Whittier Police Department has not finished compiling all of the requested information and, as a result, Staff Recommendation is to continue the case to the next Planning Commission meeting.

Commissioner Oblea moved to continue Item No 6 to November 14, 2011. Commissioner Ybarra seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

7. Conditional Use Permit Case No. 495-4

Request for approval to allow the continued operation and maintenance of a dance studio and school, located at 9730 Alburdis Avenue, in the ML, Limited Manufacturing, Administration and Research, Zone. (SFS Performing Arts Center by Jason and Lisa Weiss)

Commissioner Oblea made a motion to approve Item No. 7. Commissioner Ybarra seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

8. Conditional Use Permit Case No. 700-1

Request for approval to allow the continued operation and maintenance of a recycling center, for all types of California Refund Value (CRV) approved aluminum, glass, plastic, and bimetal consumer beverage containers, on property located at 13003 La Dana Court, at the northeast corner of Shoemaker Avenue and La Dana Court in the M-2, Heavy Manufacturing, Zone, within the Consolidated Redevelopment Project Area. (Jack S. Pivovarov for PIV Company Recycling Center)

Mr. Wayne Morrell presented the subject case. The applicant, Jack Pivovarov, was present in the audience.

Commissioner Johnston asked for clarification on the hours of operations. Mr. Pivovarov confirmed that, in addition to the hours of operation listed in the Staff Report, the business is also open on Saturdays from 8:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Skolnik asked that the word "and" be replaced with the word "or" on Recommendation No. 1 on page 1. Planning Secretary so noted.

Vice Chairperson Rios asked why Conditions of Approval No. 3 is no longer applicable. Mr. Pivovarov answered that, because all of the business activities are conducted inside the building, a Storm Water Permit is not needed.

Commissioner Ybarra asked about costs of aluminum vs. scrap aluminum. Mr. Pivovarov answered aluminum is \$2.00 per pound whereas scrap is 50 cents per pound.

Chairperson Madrigal thanked Mr. Morrell for including the interesting facts on recycling. He asked the applicant if plastic bottles or cans have to be smashed. Mr. Pivovarov said it did not matter; however, they pay more by weight vs. single can and clarified that there are 29-30 twelve-ounce aluminum cans per pound.

Vice Chairperson Rios made a motion to approve Item No 8. Commissioner Johnston seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager, Thaddeus McCormack, announced that Councilmember Moore had received a formal Letter of Resignation from Commissioner Oblea. He thanked Commissioner Oblea for his service to the City and introduced Councilmember Moore.

Councilmember Moore thanked Commissioner Oblea for his service to the Planning Commission over the last three years and presented him with a commemorative gavel.

Vice Chairperson Rios thanked Commissioner Oblea and wished him success in his upcoming move.

Commissioner Ybarra wished Commissioner Oblea the best.

Chairperson Madrigal thanked Commissioner Oblea for working on the city's history and being involved on the Planning Commissioner and hopes he gets involved in their new city once they are situated.

Commissioner Oblea thanked staff and fellow Planning Commissioners. He and Amparo will remain on the Historical and Heritage Arts committees and will still be visiting periodically as both of their Mothers still live in the city.

Commissioner Johnston notified staff and fellow Commissioners that she will be having knee replacement surgery November 16 and may not be able to attend the last Planning Commission meeting in November.

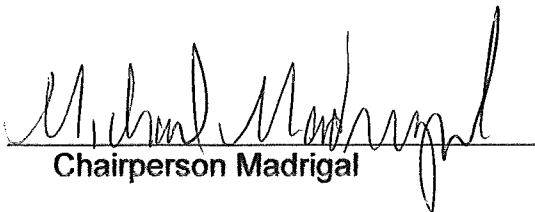
STAFF:

Mr. Collazo updated Planning Commissioners on the building on the southeast corner of Pioneer and Norwalk Blvd.

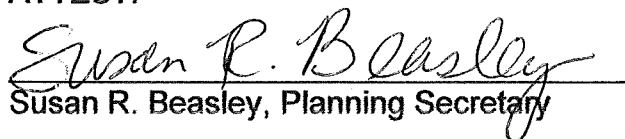
Mr. Ashworth thanked Commissioner Oblea for his service, saying they go back 30 years while working on the General Plan committee and it is sad to see him go.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Madrigal adjourned the Planning Commission meeting at 4:55 p.m.


Chairperson Madrigal

ATTEST:


Susan R. Beasley, Planning Secretary