



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

# January 9, 2023

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jimenez called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

# 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

## 3. ROLL CALL

Members present: Chairperson Jimenez

Vice Chairperson Carbajal

Commissioner Ayala Commissioner Flores Commissioner Mora

Staff: Russell I. Miyahira, Deputy City Attorney

Wayne M. Morrell, Director of Planning

Cuong Nguyen, Senior Planner Vince Velasco, Associate Planner Teresa Cavallo, Planning Secretary

Council: None

Members absent: None

#### 4. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

None

#### 5. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

#### NEW BUSINESS

Election of Commission Officers for 2023

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

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

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

Ayes: Carbajal, Flores, Jimenez, and Mora

Nayes: None Absent: Ayala

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

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

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

Ayes: Carbajal, Flores, Jimenez, and Mora

Nays: None Absent: Ayala

#### 7. PUBLIC HEARING

Adoption of Negative Declaration Amendment to Conditional Use Permit (ACUP) Case No. 524

#### Recommendation:

- Open the Public Hearing and receive the staff report and any comments from the public regarding ACUP Case No. 524, and thereafter, close the Public Hearing; and
- Find and determine that the proposed project will not be detrimental to persons or properties in the surrounding area or 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 programs of the City's General Plan; and
- Find that the applicant's CUP request meets the criteria set forth in §155.716 of the City's Zoning Ordinance, for the granting of a Conditional Use Permit; and
- Approve and adopt the proposed Negative Declaration which, based on the findings of the Initial Study, indicates that there is no substantial evidence that the proposed project will have a significant adverse impact on the environment; and
- Approve Amendment to Conditional Use Permit Case No. 524, subject to the conditions of approval as contained within Resolution No. 226-2023; and
- Adopt Resolution No. 226-2023, which incorporates the Planning Commission's findings and actions regarding this matter.

Chair Carbajal called upon Associate Planner Vince Velasco to present Item No. 7.

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

Commissioner Mora inquired about the tax benefits of this business to the City.

A discussion ensued about a fee study before fees can be imposed.

Chair Jimenez opened the Public Hearing at 6:19 p.m. and asked if the Applicant wished to speak to please approach the podium or use the raised hand function via Zoom.

Applicant Lance Jones addressed the Planning Commissioners and provide a brief history on his business and thanked the Planning Commissioners for their consideration.

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

Having no further questions or comments, Vice Chair Carbajal closed the Public Hearing at 6:21 p.m. and requested a motion.

It was moved by Commissioner Jimenez, seconded by Vice Chair Ayala to approve Resolution 226-2023 for Amendment to Conditional Use Permit (ACUP) Case No. 524, and the recommendations regarding this entitlement, which passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:

Ayala, Hernandez, Jimenez, Carbajal, and Rounds

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Deputy City Attorney Russell I. Miyahira read the City's appeal process.

#### 8. ANNOUCEMENTS

#### Commissioners

All the Planning Commissioners congratulated Chair Carbajal and Vice Chair Ayala on their appointments and welcomed Commissioner Mora and Commissioner Flores to the Planning Commission.

Chair Carbajal commented that she is the first female Chair within the past 15 years.

#### Staff

Assistant Director of Planning Cuong Nguyen notified the Planning Commission that a Joint Study Session is being considered in February to consider the Design Standards for mixed uses and multi-family sections.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Carbajal adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m. to February 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Teresa Cavallo
Planning Secretary

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