



MINUTES

LA MESA PLANNING COMMISSION

A Regular Meeting via Teleconference

Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

La Mesa City Hall Council Chambers
8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California

This meeting was conducted utilizing teleconferencing and electronic means consistent with State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Agenda for this meeting was posted on May 13, 2021, at 3:30 p.m., on the Bulletin Board next to the entrance to the City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California.

Planning Commission members present were Chairman Torpey, Commissioners Cooper, Coston, Hottel, Jones, and Newland. Commissioner Podeswik was absent.

Staff members present were Community Development Director Kerry Kusiak, Assistant Community Development Director Matthew Feske, and Contract Planner Emery Papp.

Call Meeting to Order

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – Vice Chair Hottel

Deletions from the Agenda/Urgent Additions to the Agenda/Additions to the next Agenda

None.

Public Comment (non-agenda items) – None.

Note: In accordance with State Law, an item not scheduled on the Agenda may be brought forward by the general public for discussion; however, the Commission will not be able to take any action at this meeting. If appropriate, the item will be referred to staff or placed on a future agenda.

Procedural Rules for Conduct of Hearings – Chair Torpey

Hearings – None.

Business
(Items 1-3)

1. Request for a Measure U Cannabis Manufacturing Facility (2018-05/cup 18-03) located at 5170 Guild Street

Mr. Papp presented the staff report.

Those in favor:

- Rakesh Goyal – Applicant
- Abhay Schweitzer – Techne

Those in opposition: None.

The Commissioners discussed the project.

ACTION: Commissioner Newland made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-03 and the conditions listed therein. Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 in favor and 0 opposed. Commissioner Podeswik was absent.

2. Approval of the May 5, 2021 minutes

ACTION: Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Coston seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 in favor and 0 opposed. Commissioner Podeswik was absent.

3. Assignment of the Invocation and Procedural Rules

Commissioner Coston will give the Invocation and Commissioner Jones will read the Procedural Rules at the next meeting

Informational Items

Mr. Kusiak thanked the Commissioners for their dedication. He noted that there would be a June 2nd meeting.

Mr. Kusiak also mentioned that there would be a Community Meeting regarding the Spring Street/Amaya Drive Light Rail Transit Station Development project. The Community will be encouraged to provide input. More details will be forthcoming. The Feasibility Study for the project will wrap up the first of next year.

Commissioner Newland mentioned that the upcoming La Mesa Historical Society newsletter will include interesting information regarding the naming of MacArthur Park and new information regarding the Helix Movie Theater.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Davis
Administrative Coordinator