



MINUTES LA MESA PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Approved October 21, 2020

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 La Mesa Planning Commission held a meeting on Wednesday, September 16, 2020, in the La Mesa City Council Chambers located at 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California.

The Agenda for this meeting was posted on September 10, 2020, at 3:00 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, Vice Chair Tetlow, Commissioners Hottel, Jones, Newland and Podeswik. Commissioner Kelly was absent.

Staff members present were Director of Community Development Kerry Kusiak, Senior Planner Allyson Kinnard and Assistant City Attorney Lauren Hendrickson.

Item 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Item 2. Commissioner Newland gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 3. Deletions from Agenda/Urgent Additions to the Agenda/Additions to the Next Agenda

None.

Item 4. Public Discussion and Audience Participation: None.

Item 5. Procedural Rules of Conduct for Hearings.

Commissioner Hottel read the procedures for public hearings.

Item 6. HEARINGS

6a. Project No. 2020-01 (City Ventures) – Consideration of a tentative tract map and site development plan for a 60-unit residential condominium development at 7601-7675 University Avenue in the C-D-MU (General Commercial / Urban Design Overlay / Mixed Use Overlay) and R3 (Multiple Unit Residential) zones

Ms. Kinnard presented the staff report.

The public hearing was opened.

Those in favor:

- Michelle Thrakulchavee – City Ventures

Those in opposition: None

Comments submitted via email and read at the meeting:

- Pietro Di Giammarino – Concerned about traffic, parking, pricing of the condos

The public hearing was closed.

The Commissioners discussed the project.

ACTION: Commissioner Newland made a motion to approve Project Number 2020-01 as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hottel. Motion carried 6-0. Commissioner Kelly was absent.

Mr. Kusiak read the appeal procedures into the record.

Item 7. BUSINESS

7a. Approval of the minutes from the September 2, 2020 Planning Commission meeting.

ACTION: Commissioner Newland made a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Chairman Torpey. Motion carried with 5 in favor, 1 abstention (Podeswik) and 1 absence (Kelly).

7b. Assignment of next invocation and Reading of the Procedural Rules:

Invocation: Commissioner Podeswik

Rules: Vice Chair Tetlow

Item 8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Commissioner Newland reminded everyone that the La Mesa Historical Society will be holding an outdoor exhibition at the McKinney House from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. this Saturday, September 19th, and again on September 26th. The exhibition was provided by the National Archives to celebrate the Suffragette Centennial. Additional exhibits will include the “Ladies of La Mesa” group who worked on California’s Suffragette movement.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Davis
Administrative Coordinator