



CITY OF CALIMESA

REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING ACTION MINUTES
CITY OF CALIMESA
NORTON YOUNGLOVE MULTIPURPOSE SENIOR CENTER
908 PARK AVENUE
CALIMESA, CALIFORNIA
FEBRUARY 14, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Barron, Commissioner Brittingham, Commissioner Keith, Commissioner Matlock

Commissioner(s) Absent: Commissioner Molina (excused)

Staff Present: Gus Romo, Community Development Director

REORGANIZATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Pursuant to Section 2.20.030 of the Calimesa Municipal Code, the Commission is required to meet annually to choose one of its members as Chairperson and another of its members as Vice Chairperson. Staff recommends the following:

- a. That the Community Development Director open nominations for Chairperson.

ACTION: Commissioner Keith nominated Commissioner Barron, and Commissioner Matlock seconded the nomination. Commissioner Barron was elected as Chairperson by a 4-0 vote.

- b. That the new Chairperson open nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

ACTION: Chair Barron nominated Commissioner Molina, and Commissioner Brittingham seconded the nomination. Commissioner Molina was elected as Vice-Chairperson by a 4-0 vote.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item 1. Action Minutes from the December 13, 2010 Regular Planning Commission Meeting

ACTION: Chair Barron moved to continue the approval of the December 13, 2010 action minutes to the next scheduled Planning Commission meeting, and Commissioner Keith seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

Item 2. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT 10-02: A request to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in compliance with Section 15072 of CEQA for a proposed 2.79-acre neighborhood park consisting of the following amenities: dog park; Japanese meditation garden; California native demonstration garden; rose garden; playground for 2-5 years old; playground for 6-12 years old; swing sets; water play area (optional); multi-use recreational trail with fitness stations; pavilion (10 tables); three (3) picnic shelters (2 tables each); restrooms; paved recreational path (12' wide); public art wall; flag pole; park benches; drinking fountains; barbecue grills; trash receptacles; area lighting; and parking lot.

ACTION: Community Development Director Romo presented the project and summarized the staff report.

Chair Barron opened the public hearing. With no response, he closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Brittingham moved to adopt Resolution 2011-01 approving the Mitigated Negative Declaration, and Commissioner Keith seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Item 3a. Plumber's contractor yard in Downtown Village Commercial zone.

ACTION: Verbal report given. The Planning Commission directed staff to inform the applicant that, conceptually, they do not consider the use to be similar to any use allowed in the Downtown Village Commercial zone and, therefore, would likely not support a similar use determination finding should one come before them at a future date. However, the Commission further acknowledged the applicant's right to submit an application for a "similar use determination" and bring it before them for consideration with more detailed information on the business operation.

Item 3b. Update on Planner's Institute on March 9, 10, and 11, 2011 (Commissioners Barron, Brittingham, Keith, and Matlock attendance)

ACTION: Verbal report given.

COMMISSION MEMBER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Commissioner Brittingham - He spoke about the semi-trucks parking near Bob's Big Boy Restaurant and the dirt being transferred onto the road. Community Development Director Romo said he would inform the Public Works Director about this concern and contact Caltrans to put down base and clean up the off-ramp. Commissioner Brittingham also asked about the possibility of State funds to maintain the Wildwood rest stop. Community Development Director Romo informed him that it was under the City of Yucaipa's jurisdiction. Chair Barron said the Wildwood rest stop was closed for the new development, and the rest stop near Cherry Valley Lakes was closed due to sewer issues.

Commissioner Keith - He said he was glad to be a part of the Planning Commission and looked forward to the upcoming year.

- Commissioner Matlock - He said he was appreciative of the pylons on Sandalwood Drive near the Mesa View Middle School.
- Vice-Chair Molina - Absent.
- Chair Barron - He requested that staff put the option of a new Planning Commission start time of 6:00 p.m. on the next agenda. He asked about the school road not being built where it was originally supposed to be built, and Community Development Romo said the entire intersection is to change but that improvement would not come until the Mesa Verde Specific Plan development began again.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned to the Regular Planning Commission meeting of Monday, March 14, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. at the Norton Younglove Multipurpose Senior Center, located at 908 Park Avenue.