

GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION
Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92840

Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 6, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Chair O'Neill
Vice Chair Kanzler
Commissioner Mai
Commissioner Margolin
Commissioner Pak
Commissioner Paredes
Commissioner Zamora

Absent: Commissioner Mai - Due to a conflict of interest on Item No. C.1., Commissioner Mai recused himself at 7:02 p.m. and rejoined the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner Paredes.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC: David Webber and Graham Allchorn referred to an email by Rick Jerabek, submitted to staff and entered into the record, which stated Costco Wholesale and the applicant, Eastern Seafood Buffet, had a conceptual agreement on a revised proposal for the restaurant on the Office Depot parcel and asked for a continuance of the hearing to a later date.

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Action: Received and filed.

Motion: Margolin Second: Zamora

Ayes: (6) Kanzler, Margolin, O'Neill, Pak, Paredes, Zamora

Noes: (0) None

Absent: (1) Mai

ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION – VARIANCE NO. V-011-2015. FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11100 AND 11102 GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD, SOUTH SIDE OF GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD, WEST OF EUCLID STREET.

Applicant: David Webber
Date: August 6, 2015

Request: For the Planning Commission to consider and act on a proposed

Resolution denying the Applicant's request for Variance approval to deviate from the required number of parking spaces, Municipal Code Section 9.18.140.030 (Parking Spaces Required), to allow the operation of a new 14,300 square foot restaurant/eating establishment, East Seafood Buffet, at 11102 Garden Grove Boulevard. A Public Hearing was held on June 18, 2015 and July 16, 2015. On July 16, 2015, following conclusion of the Public Hearing, the Planning Commission voted to direct Staff to prepare a Resolution of Denial of the requested Variance for its consideration.

Action: A motion to continue the case to a re-noticed date of Thursday, September 3, 2015 Planning Commission meeting in order to consider a revised proposal in regard to safety and parking concerns.

Motion: Kanzler Second: Zamora

Ayes: (6) Kanzler, Margolin, O'Neill, Pak, Paredes, Zamora
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (1) Mai

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Vice Chair Kanzler mentioned that a Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance regional group was being created to develop a model ordinance for Orange County; that if a city does not participate, they must comply by December 1st, however, if a city participates the compliance would be extended for two months, which would be a benefit for Garden Grove. Staff added that the ordinance could be adopted between October and January.

Commissioner Paredes mentioned that Maureen Blackmun suggested using the City's website to poll the community on its stand in regard to Poseidon, and to possibly use this method for other topics as well. Commissioner Zamora cautioned that the idea was good if the community was educated on the topics. Paredes then emphasized that the purpose was to find vehicles to engage and benefit the community in the future. Chair O'Neill added that he typically encourages people to do their own educational research and directed them to the Orange County Water District website.

Commissioner Pak mentioned the meet and greet for the new City Manager, Scott Stiles on Tuesday, August 11th from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Commissioner Zamora asked if the Commissioners could have professional nametags for City gatherings in lieu of the customary stickers. Staff said the matter would be looked into.

MATTERS FROM STAFF: Staff noted that for the next five months, the Planning Commission meetings would be held at The Courtyard Center due to the remodel of the Community Meeting Center.

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:45 p.m. to the next meeting of the Garden Grove Planning

Commission on Thursday, August 20, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street, Garden Grove.

Motion: Pak Second: Margolin

Ayes: (7) Kanzler, Mai, Margolin, O'Neill, Pak, Paredes, Zamora

Noes: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

Judith Moore, Recording Secretary