

Action Minutes Planning Commission

Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Thursday, June 19, 2014 City Council Chambers, 809 Center Street

Call to Order - 7:00 P.M.

# Roll Call -

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| Present:  | Commissioners P. Kennedy, Vice Chair; C. Nielsen; J. Nortz; P. Spellman; |
|           | M. Tustin; M. Mesiti-Miller, Chair.                                      |
| Absent:   | Commissioner M. Primack (with notice).                                   |
| Staff:    | Director, J. Rebagliati; Assistant Director, A. Khoury; Associate        |
|           | Planner, M. Ferry; Housing and Community Coordinator, C. Berg;           |
|           | Superintendent of Parks, Mauro Garcia; Recorder, M. Schwarb.             |
| Audience: | 15-20  |
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## Statements of Disqualification - None.

#### Oral Communications - None.

*No action shall be taken on these items. The Chair may announce and set time limits at the beginning of each agenda item.* 

Announcements — None.

Approval of Minutes – Minutes of June 5, 2014.

<u>ACTION</u>: Commissioner Tustin moved, and Commissioner Nortz seconded, approval of the minutes of June 5, 2014, as submitted. The motion carried on a vote of 6-0-1 with Commissioners Tustin, Nortz, Nielsen, Spellman, Kennedy and Mesiti-Miller in favor, none opposed, and Commissioner Primack absent.

## Public Hearings -

**1.** 216 Jessie Street CP13-0144 APN 010-161-01 Appeal of the Zoning Administrator's approval of a Coastal Permit for fencing and path improvements in the Jessie Street Marsh area in the RL zone district. (Environmental Determination: Categorical Exemption) (City of Santa Cruz, owner/filed: 9/27/2013) MF This project requires a Coastal Permit which is appealable to the California Coastal Commission after all possible appeals are exhausted through the City.

**RECOMMENDATION**: That the Planning Commission acknowledge the environmental determination and deny the appeal upholding the Zoning Administrator's approval with the proposed modifications to the project.

Director Rebagliati introduced Associate Planner Ferry who presented a brief staff report. She also noted that due to a last minute communication from the Coastal Commission staff asked for the item to be continued to a date uncertain for study of their comments.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Speaking from the audience:

- Gary Patton, attorney for The Friends of Jessie Street Marsh, made a short summary of the history of the appeal, and the objections to the marsh plan approved by the Zoning Administrator.
- Vickie Winters;
- Rachael O'Malley;
- > Perry Martin;
- Alison Buchter;
- ➢ Brenda Martin;
- ➤ Jane Mio;
- ➤ Tim Nash;
- Sara Nash.

The Commissioners asked questions and made comments regarding:

- > Funds available for marsh restoration;
- Source of the water in the marsh;
- ADU accessibility;
- Timeline for improvements;
- Sea level rise effects on the marsh.
- <u>ACTION</u>: Commissioner Tustin moved, and Commissioner Kennedy seconded, the item be continued to a date uncertain. The motion carried on a vote of 6-0-1 with Commissioners Tustin, Kennedy, Nortz, Nielsen, Spellman and Mesiti-Miller in favor, none opposed, and Commissioner Primack absent.

General Business –

(Continued from the Meeting of 6/5/14)

2. Draft Amendments to the Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance. RECOMMENDATION: Discussion of draft amendments and recommendations for final proposed amendments to be brought back for Public Hearing.

Assistant Director Khoury presented a brief overview of the discussion thus far and the reasons for the current suggested amendments.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Speaking from the audience:

➢ John Newman.

No one else wished to speak and the Public Hearing was closed.

<u>ACTION</u>: The Commissioners discussed the proposed amendments and took no action.

#### Informational Items -

No action shall be taken on these items.

## Subcommittee/Advisory Body Oral Reports -

No action shall be taken on these items.

- ° Chairperson's Report
- Planning Department Report

Director Rebagliati noted that projects scheduled for future meetings include the Pacific Collegiate School relocation on July 3, the La Bahia hotel project on July 17 and a Coastal Tree appeal on August 7.

#### Items Referred to Future Agendas – None.

#### Adjournment — 9:40 P.M.

The next Planning Commission meeting will take place on July 3, 2014, in the City Council Chambers.

Any writing related to an agenda item for the open session of this meeting distributed to the Planning Commission less than 72 hours before this meeting is available for inspection at the City Planning Department, 809 Center Street, Room 107 or on the City's website <u>www.cityofsantacruz.com</u>. These writings will also be available for review at the Planning Commission meeting in the public review binder at the rear of the Council Chambers.

<u>APPEALS</u> - Any person who believes that a final action of this advisory body has been taken in error may appeal that decision to the City Council. Appeals must be in writing, setting forth the nature of the action and the basis upon which the action is considered to be in error, and addressed to the City Council in care of the <u>City Clerk</u>.

Appeals must be received by the City Clerk within ten (10) calendar days following the date of the action from which such appeal is being taken. An appeal must be accompanied by a five hundred dollar (\$500) filing fee, unless the item involves a Coastal Permit that is appealable to the Coastal Commission, in which case there is no fee.