# SANTACRUZ

### **Action Minutes**

# Planning Commission Regular Meeting

7:00 p.m. - Thursday, January 5, 2017 City Council Chambers, 809 Center Street

Call to Order — 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call -

Present: Commissioners A. Blizinski; J. Conway; C. Nielsen; G. Pepping; Vice-Chair,

M. Mesiti-Miller;.

Absent: (with notice) Commissioner P. Kennedy and Chair, P. Spellman. Staff: Principal Planner R. Powers; Transportation Planner, C. Fliesler;

Recorder, M. Schwarb.

Audience: 0

**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 November 17, 2016.

**ACTION:** 

Commissioner Pepping moved, and Commissioner Blizinski seconded approval of the Minutes of November 17, 2016, as submitted. The motion carried on a vote of 5-0-2, with Commissioners Pepping, Blizinski, Nielsen, Conway and Mesiti-Miller in favor, none opposed, and Commissioners Kennedy and Spellman absent.

# Public Hearings —

1. EV Charging - Zoning Code Text Amendment

An ordinance of the City of Santa Cruz amending Chapter 24.12 of the City of Santa Cruz Municipal Code and the Local Coastal Program relating to off-street parking requirements to add requirements for electrical vehicle charging equipment and clarify bicycle parking. (Environmental Determination: Categorically Exempt) CF

RECOMMENDATION: That the Planning Commission consider new information and provide an updated recommendation to the City Council to approve an Ordinance updating Chapter 24.12 related to electric vehicle charging infrastructure and bicycle parking requirements of the City of Santa Cruz Municipal Code and the City's Local Coastal Program.

Transportation Planner Fliesler presented the staff report.

The Commissioners made comments and asked questions regarding:

- Space requirements;
- Publicly funded projects;
- Shared aisles for EV and handicapped spaces;
- Impacts to smaller projects;
- Building Code versus Zoning Code;
- Cal Green requirements;
- Van accessible space requirements;
- Remaining aggressive in EV parking requirements.

#### **ACTION:**

Commissioner Pepping moved, and Commissioner Blizinski seconded, that the Planning Commission recommend that the City Council approve the Ordinance updating Chapter 24.12 related to electric vehicle charging infrastructure and bicycle parking requirements of the City of Santa Cruz Municipal Code and the City's Local Coastal Program, adding the following change:

New multifamily dwellings on a single site with 5 or more units to provide 12% of total parking, but no fewer than one, EV parking spaces with EVSE installed; and multifamily projects requiring an EV van accessible parking space receive a credit of one parking space.

The vote was 5-0-2 with Commissioners Pepping, Blizinski, Nielsen, Conway and Mesiti-Miller in favor, none opposed, and Commissioners Kennedy and Spellman absent.

General Business — None.

**Informational Items** — None.

No action shall be taken on these items.

## Subcommittee/Advisory Body Oral Reports — None.

No action shall be taken on these items.

- ° Chairperson's Report
- ° Planning Department Report

Principal Planner Powers noted that the next scheduled meeting would likely be cancelled since no business was scheduled.

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

**Adjournment** — 8:30 p.m.

The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2017 in the City Council Chambers.

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<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 fourteen dollar (\$514) filing fee, unless the item involves a Coastal Permit that is appealable to the Coastal Commission, in which case there is no fee.