

**PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF
SEPTEMBER 9, 2021
VIRTUAL MEETING - ZOOM**

CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING:

Chairperson William Hofman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Chairperson William Hofman adjourned the meeting at 12:39 p.m.

ATTENDANCE DURING THE MEETING:

Chairperson William Hofman – Teleconference
Vice-Chairperson James Whalen – Teleconference
Commissioner Douglas Austin – Teleconference
Commissioner Ken Malbrough – Teleconference
Commissioner Dennis Otsuji – Teleconference
Commissioner Matthew Boomhower – Teleconference
Commissioner Kelly Moden – Teleconference

Staff:

Corrine Neuffer, Chief Deputy City Attorney – Teleconference
Tait Galloway, Program Manager, Planning Department – Teleconference
Angela Colten, Assistant Deputy Director, Development Services Department - Teleconference
Tony Khalil, Senior Civil Engineer, Development Services Department – Teleconference
Sabrina Custer, Legislative Recorder, Development Services Department – Teleconference

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment – Karen Lippitt

REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE CONTINUED AND/OR WITHDRAWN

Item # 1 – 2605 Camino Del Rio Cannabis was withdrawn and re-noticed for a later date.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Angela Colten, Development Services Department - None

Tait Galloway, Planning Department—The Planning Department will present a workshop on the Clairemont Community Plan on September 23, 2021. The Department will also host two community webinar forums for BluePrint San Diego, which the mayor recently announced. The website is sandiego.gov/blueprint/rsd. The workshop on September 23, 2021, will be online from 2 to 3:30. The workshop will be on September 29th, 2021, from 5 to 6:30.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- July 15, 2021
- August 5, 2021

COMMISSION ACTION:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AUSTIN TO:

- APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JULY 15, 2021, AS PRESENTED
- APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 5, 2021, AS PRESENTED

Seconded by Commissioner Whalen, the motion passed by a vote of 7-0-0, with Commissioners Otsuji, Malbrough, Austin, Modén, Boomhower, Whalen and Chairman Hofman voting yes.

COMMISSION COMMENT

Commissioner Austin stated, "The Architectural Foundation asked him to ask staff a question about the height limit for the downtown area. Right now, the height limit is 500 feet, which no longer applies for planes taking off and landing at Lindberg Field. If that is the case, what would it take to increase the height limit in places downtown where, at some point, we will have a flat top city? How will that process work?"

**ITEM-1 Appeal of the Hearing Officer decision 6/9/2021
2605 CAMINO DEL RIO CANNABIS - PROJECT NO. 622996**

City Council Districts: 3 & 7
Plan Area: Mission Valley
Staff: Sammi Ma

Speakers on the Project: None

COMMISSION ACTION:

The Commission took no Action. Staff withdrew the item, which will be re-noticed at a later date.

ITEM-2 SPACES AS PLACES

City Council District: All

Plan Area: Citywide

Staff: Sameera Rao

Speakers on the Project: Kuntal Soundpost, Pat Sexton, Jesse O'Sullivan, Paul Jameson, Wally Wolfe, Kathleen Neil,

COMMISSION ACTION:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AUSTIN TO:

- RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF THE SPACES AS PLACES INITIATIVE, INCLUDING AMENDMENTS IN THE SAN DIEGO MUNICIPAL CODE AND LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM
- RECOMMEND ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS ADDED BY COMMISSIONER BOOMHOWER: RECOMMEND STAFF PROVIDE A CREATIVE WAY OF DELINEATING THE FIVE-FOOT SIDEWALK SPACE.

Seconded by Commissioner Whalen, the motion passed by a vote of 7-0-0, with Commissioners Otsuji, Malbrough, Austin, Modén, Boomhower, Whalen and Chairman Hofman voting yes.

BREAK TAKEN @ 10:59 a.m. TO 11:10 a.m.

ITEM-3 T-MOBILE BAY POINT APT – PROJECT NO.678588

City Council District:

Plan Area: Pacific Beach

Staff: Ian Heacox

Speakers on the Project: None.

COMMISSION ACTION:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MALBROUGH TO APPROVE ON CONSENT:

- CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPROVAL NO. 2539308
- PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPROVAL NO. 2539310

Seconded by Commissioner Whalen, the motion passed by a vote of 7-0-0, with Commissioners Otsuji, Malbrough, Austin, Modén, Boomhower, Whalen and Chairman Hofman voting yes.

ITEM-4 *MONTEZUMA ROAD - PROJECT NO. 623199

City Council District: 9

Plan Area: College

Staff: Derrick Johnson (D.J.)

Speakers on the Project: None.

COMMISSION ACTION:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AUSTIN TO APPROVE ON CONSENT:

- RECOMMEND THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT NEGATIVE DECLARATION NO. 623199
- RECOMMEND THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE REZONE NO. 2290830
- RECOMMEND THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 2487055
- RECOMMEND THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 2487075

Seconded by Commissioner Malbrough, the motion passed 7-0-0, with Commissioners Otsuji, Malbrough, Austin, Modén, Boomhower, Whalen, and Chairman Hofman voting yes.

ITEM-5 1821 TORREY PINES ROAD VACATION- PROJECT NO. 648590

City Council District: 1

Plan Area: La Jolla

Staff: Ben Hafertepe

Speakers on the Project: Kathleen Neil, Michael Nguyen, Adrian McKibben

COMMISSION ACTION:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AUSTIN TO:

- RECOMMEND TO CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT THE PROJECT IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15305 (MINOR ALTERATIONS)
- RECOMMEND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 2354674
- RECOMMEND THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY VACATION NO. 2354675
- ADDED RECOMMENDATION: PRIOR TO THE RECORDATION OF THE VACATION EXHIBIT, APPLICANT SHALL RESERVE A 15' DRAINAGE EASEMENT ABOVE THE EXISTING 18" REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE (RCP) WITHIN THE VACATED STREET, AS SHOWN IN EXHIBIT "B", SATISFACTORY TO THE CITY ENGINEER

Seconded by Commissioner Boomhower, the motion passed by a vote of 7-0-0, with Commissioners Otsuji, Malbrough, Austin, Modén, Boomhower, Whalen and Chairman Hofman voting yes.

**ITEM-6 UCSD HILLCREST STREET VACATION AND COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT
PROJECT NO. 651975**

City Council District: 3

Plan Area: Uptown

Staff: Carrie Lindsay

Speakers on the Project: Lisa Rhodes, Kristin Hill, Jeff Graham, Scott Williams, Adam Broughton, Angelia Kalinga, Judith Wenker, Kenneth Nielsen, Lindsey Wade, John Silva, Robert Claussen

COMMISSION ACTION:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER BOOMHOWER TO:

- RECOMMEND TO CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO, AS A RESPONSIBLE AGENCY, HAS REVIEWED AND CONSIDERED THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR), SCH NO 2018031003 FOR THE UC SAN DIEGO HILLCREST CAMPUS 2019 LONG-RANGE DEVELOPMENT PLAN
- RECOMMEND TO CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL AMENDING THE UPTOWN COMMUNITY PLAN NO 2573250
- RECOMMEND TO CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL GRANTING PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY VACATION NO. 236562

Seconded by Commissioner Whalen, the motion passed by a vote of 7-0-0, with Commissioners Otsuji, Malbrough, Austin, Modén, Boomhower, Whalen and Chairman Hofman voting yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 12:39 p.m.