

**PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO  
MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF  
JULY 21, 2016  
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 12<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
CITY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING  
202 C STREET, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101**

**CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING:**

Vice-Chairperson Stephen Haase called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Vice-Chairperson Stephen Haase adjourned the meeting at 10:48 a.m.

**ATTENDANCE DURING THE MEETING:**

Vice-Chairperson Stephen Haase – present  
Commissioner James Whalen – present / in at 9:04 a.m. / out at 10:35 a.m.  
Commissioner Anthony Wagner – present  
Commissioner Sue Pearson – present  
Commissioner Theresa Quiroz – present  
Commissioner Douglas Austin – present  
Commissioner William Hofman - present

Staff

Corrine Neuffer, City Attorney – present  
Nancy Bragado, Planning Department - present  
Elyse Lowe, Development Services Department – present  
Louis Schultz, Development Services Department - present  
Carmina Trajano, Recorder – present

ITEM – 1: **ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT - ISSUES WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMMISSION NOT PREVIOUSLY HEARD:**

Louis Rodolico commented on Regents Bridge Public Services.

Scott Chipman commented on Marijuana availability to teens.

Judi Strang commented on the Pot shop on 3275 Adams Street.

Kathleen Lippitt commented on disconnect between City efforts to close unpermitted barriers.

Barbara Gordon commented on Marijuana Dispensary billboards.

ITEM – 2: **REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCE AND/OR ITEMS TO BE WITHDRAWN:**

ITEM # 8 - CVS 5<sup>TH</sup> & J – PROJECT NO. 2015-71 – **CONTINUED TO AUGUST 18, 2016**

ITEM – 3: **REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:**

ITEM # 9 - SPRINT ROSE CREEK TRAIL – PROJECT NO. 430519

ITEM # 10 - SPRINT POLICE DEPARTMENT (ON SKYLINE DRIVE) – PROJECT NO. 402780

ITEM – 4: **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

Accepted as presented.

ITEM – 5: **DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

Nancy Bragado reported that Lara Gates from Planning Department was selected by the American Planning Association, California Chapter as the Winner for the 2016 Advancing Diversity and Social Change Award and she will get this award at the State Conference this coming October. The City of San Diego also won an award for the Carmel Mountain/Del Mar Mesa Natural Resources Management Plan; it was selected as the Winner for the 2016 Hard Won Victories Award of Merit led by the Park and Recreation Department with the support of the Planning Department. The Draft Environmental Impact Report public comment period for North Park and Golden Hill will end on July 28<sup>th</sup> and Uptown will end on August 8<sup>th</sup>. The Climate Action Plan Checklist and Greenhouse Gas Thresholds were approved by the City Council.

ITEM – 6: **COMMISSION COMMENT:**

Commissioner Wagner asked the staff for a quick update regarding the Regents Bridge for the benefits of the gentleman who spoke under public comment and when that's coming before the Planning Commission. He also mentioned that there is a discrepancy with the Medical Marijuana facilities and their specific signage. A member of the Convoy Business Association reached out to him regarding Kearny Mesa Apothekare Dispensary that has Green Cross next to their name; this was specifically brought to his attention and requested the staff to make sure that they are in compliance with the sign ordinance.

Commissioner Quiroz congratulated the Planning Department and Lara Gates, who did an amazing job. She also requested the Planning Department to provide her a copy of the Climate Action Plan and the Thresholds. She concerned about the gentleman's comment regarding the people from the East side of the University City couldn't get on the Planning Board and asked the staff to look into that whether that is a valid position.

Commissioner Whalen commented that he was the Vice Chair of the University Planning Group 30 years ago and he knows the area really well and the Regents Road Bridge situation; his daughter went to the Mission Bay Montessori on the West side of town. He assured the folks who spoke under public comments regarding Regents Bridge that they will get a full and fair hearing when it gets to the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Haase commented that several weeks ago, the Commission have discussed in looking at the Permanent Rules again. He requested the Commission to share their thoughts and provide him some items for discussion by August 11th. He mentioned that the Commission received information regarding site visit and Consent Agenda that will be included on the discussion and will work on something done by September.

Commissioner Austin commented that during the public testimony, a point was brought up regarding the advertising of the MMCC. He asked the staff on who sets the policy on advertising billboards and if the Commission has any role in that decision.

ITEM – 7: ***Continued from June 23, 2016; Appeal of Hearing Officer's decision on October 28, 2015***

**GRANTVILLE GREEN MMCC – PROJECT NO. 368381**

City Council District: 7                      Plan Area: Navajo

Staff: Edith Gutierrez

Speaker slips in favor of the project submitted by Vicki Estrada, Amy Marks, Michael Cindrich, Carlos Angulo, David Mosack, James McElwee, Nick Hosig, Ron Miller, Thomas Perkins, Anjanette Perkins, Hasanen Alzayad, Dany O'Neill, Kolton Komar and Daniel Smith.

Speaker slips in opposition to the project submitted by Gina Austin, Peter Karvalis, Anthony Scimeca, Darren Moore, Heidi Whitman, Judi Strang, Scott Chipman and Barbara Gordon.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

COMMISSIONER PEERSON MADE THE MOTION TO DENY THE APPEAL AND UPHOLD THE HEARING OFFICER'S DECISION TO DENY CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1288100. Commissioner Hofman seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5-1-1 with Commissioners Haase, Hofman, Austin, Peerson and Wagner voting yea and with Commissioner Quiroz voting nay and with Commissioner Whalen absent.

ITEM – 8: ***Continued from June 23, 2016***

**CVS 5<sup>TH</sup> & J – PROJECT NO. 2015-71**

City Council District: 3                      Plan Area: Downtown

Staff: Steve Bossi

No speaker slips in favor of the project were submitted.

No speaker slips in opposition to the project were submitted.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

COMMISSIONER WAGNER MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE APPLICANT'S REQUEST TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM TO A DATE CERTAIN OF AUGUST 18, 2016. Commissioner Austin seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0 with Commissioners Haase, Hofman, Austin, Quiroz, Peerson, Wagner and Whalen voting yea.

ITEM – 9: **SPRINT ROSE CREEK TRAIL – PROJECT NO. 430519**

City Council District: 2                      Plan Area: Mission Bay Park

Staff: Simon Tse

Speaker slips in favor of the project submitted by Maegan Murphy.

No speaker slips in opposition to the project were submitted

