



City of Santa Barbara Planning Division

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

February 11, 2010

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Bartlett called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Chair Bruce Bartlett

Vice-Chair John Jostes

Commissioners Michael Jordan, Charmaine Jacobs, Stella Larson, Sheila Lodge, and Deborah L. Schwartz.

Commissioner Jacobs arrived at 1:21 P.M.

STAFF PRESENT:

Danny Kato, Senior Planner

Brian Bosse, Housing and Redevelopment Director

Scott Riedman, Waterfront Business Manager

N. Scott Vincent, Assistant City Attorney

STAFF ABSENT:

Julie Rodriguez, Planning Commission Secretary

I. ROLL CALL

II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

- A. Action on the review and consideration of the following Draft Minutes and Resolutions:

1. Draft Minutes of January 21, 2010

The Commission voted 6/0 to approve the Minutes of January 21, 2010.

Commissioner Larson abstained from the Minutes for Item IV., Staff Hearing Officer discussion item.

Commissioner Bartlett abstained from the Minutes for 1213 Harbor Hills Drive.

- B. Requests for continuances, withdrawals, postponements, or addition of ex-agenda items.

None.

- C. Announcements and appeals.

Mr. Kato made the following announcements:

1. A memorandum from Paul Casey, Assistant City Manager, was distributed to the Planning Commission outlining an agreement between the City and County, wherein major Coast Village Road projects would have a public comment hearing at the Montecito Planning Commission.
2. The Planning Commission's decision on 3714-3744 State Street (the Sandman Inn project) was appealed to the City Council and will be heard on March 9, 2010. Commissioner Bartlett will represent the Commission.

- D. Comments from members of the public pertaining to items not on this agenda.

Chair Bartlett opened the public hearing at 1:05 PM and, with no one wishing to speak, closed the public comment.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

ACTUAL TIME: 1:05.

A. **FUTURE OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

Staff will make a presentation regarding the current status and possible future options for the Redevelopment Agency surrounding its expiration date of 2015. This is a Planning Commission discussion item; no formal commission action will be taken.

Case Planner: Brian Bosse, Housing and Redevelopment Director

Email: BBosse@SantaBarbaraCA.gov

Brian Bosse, Housing and Redevelopment Director gave the Staff presentation joined by Sara Knecht, Assistant City Attorney

The Planning Commission acknowledged the successes of the Redevelopment Agency (RDA) since its inception over 30 years ago, particularly the revitalization of the Downtown area, and development of affordable housing. Suggestions were made for extending the life of the current Agency, and creating additional opportunities for a new Redevelopment Agency, particularly in the Funk Zone. The existing Redevelopment Agency was encouraged to redevelop the City's Police Station before the RDA expires in 2015. The Commission recommended that

property tax revenue that would accrue to the City after the expiration of the Agency be used to fund redevelopment and affordable housing projects throughout the city.

ACTUAL TIME: 2:29 P.M.

- B. **FIVE YEAR REVIEW OF USES IN THE HARBOR COMMERCIAL ZONE**
Staff will make a presentation regarding the existing uses in the Harbor and shoreline areas of the Harbor Commercial Zone (HC Zone). This is a Planning Commission discussion item.

Case Planner: Scott Riedman, Waterfront Business Manager
Email: SRiedman@SantaBarbaraCA.gov

Scott Riedman, Waterfront Business Manager, gave the Staff presentation.

The Planning Commission expressed appreciation for the economic vitality and improvements made to the Waterfront over the last five years.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA:

ACTUAL TIME: 3:15 P.M.

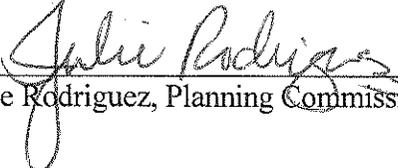
- A. Committee and Liaison Reports.
1. Staff Hearing Officer Liaison Report

Commissioner Larson reported on the Staff Hearing Officer meeting held on February 10, 2010.
 2. Other Committee and Liaison Reports
 - a. Commissioners Larson and Bartlett reported on the Architectural Board of Review meeting held on February 8, 2010.
 - b. Commissioner Schwartz reported on the Downtown Parking Committee meeting held on February 11, 2010.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Bartlett adjourned the meeting at 3:21 P.M.

Submitted by,



Julie Rodriguez, Planning Commission Secretary

