



City of Santa Barbara Planning Division

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

November 4, 2010

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Bartlett called the meeting to order at 1:03 P.M.

I. ROLL CALL

Chair Bruce Bartlett, Vice-Chair John Jostes, Commissioners Charmaine Jacobs, Mike Jordan, Stella Larson, Sheila Lodge, and Deborah L. Schwartz.

Absent: Commissioner Jacobs

STAFF PRESENT:

Danny Kato, Senior Planner

N. Scott Vincent, Assistant City Attorney

Alex Altavilla, Police Patrol Captain.

Deirdre Randolph, Community Development Programs Supervisor

Sue Gray, Administrative Services Manager

Kelly Brodison, Assistant Planner

Julie Rodriguez, Planning Commission Secretary

II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

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

1. Draft Minutes of October 14, 2010
2. Resolution 015-10
3626 San Remo Drive
3. Draft Minutes of October 21, 2010

MOTION: Jostes/Jordan

Approve the minutes and resolutions as corrected.

This motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Abstain: As noted. Absent: 1 (Jacobs)

Commissioners Larson and Schwartz abstained from the Minutes of October 14, 2010 and Resolution 015-10.

- B. Requests for continuances, withdrawals, postponements, or addition of ex-agenda items.
None.
- C. Announcements and appeals.
None.
- D. Comments from members of the public pertaining to items not on this agenda.
Chair Bartlett opened the public hearing at 1:08 P.M. and, with no one wishing to speak, closed the hearing.

III. DISCUSSION ITEM

ACTUAL TIME: 1:08 P.M.

STATUS UPDATE OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR CASA ESPERANZA, PROPERTY OWNER, 816 CACIQUE AND 110 SOUTH QUARANTINA STREET, APN'S 017-240-021, 017-113 035 & 017-113-034, M-1 LIGHT MANUFACTURING, C-2, GENERAL COMMERCE AND S-D-3, COASTAL OVERLAY ZONES, GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION: INDUSTRIAL(MST99-00432) CONTINUED FROM OCTOBER 21, 2010.

The purpose of this continued meeting was for the Planning Commission to discuss Casa Esperanza's Two-Year Progress Report on its operation of the Emergency Homeless Shelter and Day Center, located at 816 Cacique Street, as required by Condition II.F of Planning Commission Resolution 008-09.

No formal action on the project was taken during this continued discussion item. The public comment portion of this discussion item was held on October 21, 2010. The Planning Commission Chair stated that no additional public comments would be taken on November 4, 2010 when the Planning Commission concluded this discussion with their comments.

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The Commission discussed re-opening the public comment hearing, but retained the Chair's directive to keep the public comment closed, as it was not noticed for this week's meeting.

The Commission acknowledged the positive work that Casa Esperanza has provided the Community and did not feel changes to the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) were warranted. It was discussed that having more meetings, or making changes to the CUP may not help address the issues that have surfaced because Casa Esperanza has met the conditions of approval and continues to provide a needed service to the community

Commissioner's recommendations:

- Many Commissioners asked that the Council communicate with the County Board of Supervisors the city's insistence that regional cooperation is driven by fair share resource allocation. Resource allocation applies to homelessness in addition to all other regional issues addressed by multi-agencies.
- Some Commissioners suggested looking into mobile meal delivery operations; or
- New residential locations in other areas of the City to offload Casa Esperanza that has been further impacted by the loss of other regional resources that no longer exist.
- Return of the criminal statistical analysis from the Police Department for use by the Milpas Area Task Force.
- Increase police presence in the Milpas Area.
- Increase Casa Esperanza's Step Up program.
- Explore a strategy to move from the simple "free lunch" paradigm to an offering that is driven by responsibility and community betterment. Reciprocity is important.
- Suggested the first task for the Council Subcommittee on Homelessness and Community Relations is to articulate a strategy that promotes responsibility over opportunism with regard to addressing homeless issues at the local level.

Commissioners Schwartz and Jostes agreed to represent the Commission in attending the City Council meeting, Tuesday, on the reconvening of the Council Subcommittee on Homelessness and Community Relations.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

ACTUAL TIME: 3:18 P.M.

A. Committee and Liaison Reports.

1. Staff Hearing Officer Liaison Report

Commissioner Larson reported on the Staff Hearing Officer's meeting held on October 6, 2010.

2. Other Committee and Liaison Reports

a. Commissioner Lodge reported on the Planning Commission's tour of the Santa Barbara Airport on October 18, 2010.

b. Commissioner Schwartz reported on the Transportation and Circulation Committee meeting of October 28, 2010.

c. Commissioner Jordan invited the Commission to the Coalition for Sustainable Transportation's fall event that evening at the Inn of the Spanish Garden.

- d. Commissioner Lodge reminded everyone that it was "First Thursday" and that all art galleries and art museums would be open for evening visits.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Bartlett adjourned the meeting at 3:27 P.M.

Submitted by,



Julie Rodriguez, Planning Commission Secretary.