

CITY OF LA PUENTE
PLANNING COMMISSION AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

MINUTES

October 02, 2012

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A Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission and Development Review Board of the City of La Puente was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 15900 East Main Street, La Puente, California, on 10/02/2012, at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Costea called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Commissioners: Escalon, Flores, Perez, Young and Costea.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Commissioner Escalon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD:

None.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PLANNING COMMISSION AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD MEETING:

- 1. Reading of the minutes of the Planning Commission and Development Review Board meeting of September 4, 2012.**

Chairman Costea moved and Commissioner Perez seconded approve the minutes of previous Planning Commission and Development Review Board Meeting: The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Escalon, Flores, Perez, Young and Costea.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

1a. Reading of the minutes of the Special Planning Commission meeting of September 19, 2012.

Chairman Costea moved and Commissioner Perez seconded to approve the minutes of previous Planning Commission and Development Review Board Meeting: The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Escalon, Flores, Perez, Young and Costea.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

2. UNCLASSIFIED USE PERMIT NO. 185A - Consideration of a resolution approving the modification of an existing Unclassified Use Permit allowing the modification of an existing freestanding wireless telecommunications monopole in the parking lot of the La Puente Village located at 1427½ Hacienda Boulevard.

Assistant Planner Chow presented the report.

Chairman Costea asked if the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) had guidelines to follow when making modifications to an existing monopole.

Assistant Planner Chow responded in the affirmative, stating that the FCC was concerned with the public's health and safety and the City regulates by having the upgrades go through the building and safety department for plan check to confirm conformance with the City's building code as well as FCC regulations.

Chairman Costea questioned if the monopole was inspected on a regular basis before any modifications were requested.

Assistant Planner Chow responded that this was handled through the building department.

Adam Culici, 1909 Del Paso Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90032, stated that he was the representative from AT&T Wireless; he was present to answer any questions the Commission may have.

Chairman Costea asked what was the combined maximum megahertz output of the arrays

Mr. Culici responded he was not sure of the exact number. However, there was a maximum number that they can use on the antennae output from the FCC as part of the licensing. The engineering details are included in the building department application.

Chairman Costea opened the public hearing at 7: 10 p.m.

With no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed at closed 7:12 p.m.

Commissioner Perez asked what was the life of the monopole and was it capable of withstanding additional weight.

Mr. Culici responded that a structural analysis was done for the additional antennas.

Commissioner Escalon questioned who was responsible for graffiti removal within the 48 hour time limit.

Assistant Planner Chow responded that the Code Enforcement Department handles calls for graffiti removal and contacts the property owners to get the graffiti removed within the 48 hours.

Commissioner Perez moved and Chairman Costea seconded to adopt a resolution approving Unclassified Use Permit No. 185A subject to the conditions set forth in the resolution and direct Staff to file a Notice of Exemption. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Escalon, Flores, Perez, Young and Costea.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

3. UNCLASSIFIED USE PERMIT NO. 232A - Consideration of a resolution approving the modification of an existing Unclassified Use Permit allowing the expansion of an existing freestanding wireless telecommunications monopole at La Puente Park located at 501 Glendora Avenue.

Assistant Planner Chow presented the report.

Chairman Costea opened the public hearing at 7:20 p.m.

With no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed at 7:21 p.m.

Chairman Costea stated that he would like to add a condition of approval; for new warning signage on two sides of the monopole, warning the public to stay a specified distance away from the monopole.

Mr. Culici was in agreement with the added condition.

Chairman Costea moved and Vice Chairman Young seconded to adopt a resolution approving Unclassified Use Permit No. 232A subject to the conditions set forth in the

resolution and direct Staff to file a Notice of Exemption, and to include the added condition of new warning signage.

The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Escalon, Flores, Perez, Young and Costea.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

**RECESS THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND RECONVENE THE
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD:**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS BEFORE THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD:

None.

NEW BUSINESS BEFORE THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD:

- 4. DEVELOPMENT PLAN APPLICATION NO. 1103 - Consideration of a resolution approving a Development Plan Application for the expansion of an existing freestanding wireless telecommunications monopole at La Puente Park located at 501 Glendora Avenue.**

Assistant Planner Chow presented the report which was in conjunction with the previous item UUP No. 232A.

Chairman Costea asked the applicant in regards to the shrouds, if something could be added to detour the public from sitting on the pole.

Development Services Director, Di Mario suggested that the applicant stencil "Do Not Sit or Stand" onto the monopole.

Chairman Costea stated that he would like to add the stencil as a condition of approval.

Mr. Culici stated that he was in agreement with the added condition.

Board Member Perez moved and Board Member Flores seconded to adopt a resolution approving Development Plan Application No. 1103 and direct Staff to file a Notice of Exemption and to add signage advising the public not to sit or stand on the utility vault. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Escalon, Flores, Perez, Young and Costea.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

**RECESS THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD AND RECONVENE THE
PLANNING COMMISSION**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION: None

NEW BUSINESS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION: None

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ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF:

Assistant Planner Chow announced that Sunday, October 21, 2012 the City was hosting the 21st Annual Main Street Run and the Commissioners were invited to participate or volunteer. Also, the November Planning Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 7th due the Election's being held on Tuesday, November 6th. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Escalon, Flores, Perez, Young and Costea.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COMMISSION/BOARD:

Commissioner Perez announced that former Planning Commissioner and City Council Member George Gaytan passed away last week. Commissioner Perez gave a brief history of Mr. Gaytan and his family.

Chairman Costea moved and Commissioner Perez seconded to Adjourn:

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Costea adjourned the meeting in memory of former Council Member/Planning Commissioner Mr. George Gaytan.

Secretary, Planning Commission

Chairman, Costea