

**MINUTES
LA PUENTE PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF
MAY 2, 2017**

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A Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of La Puente was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 15900 East Main Street, La Puente, California, on May 2, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

ROLL CALL: Commissioners: Dudley, Costea, Mendoza and Stowell.

Commissioners present: Dudley, Costea, Mendoza and Stowell.

Commissioners absent: None.

Staff present: Development Services Director Di Mario, Assistant Planner Schaetzl, Assistant City Attorney Sparks and Administrative Secretary Ramirez.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Mendoza.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION: None.

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

Reading of the Minutes of the Planning Commission meeting of March 8, 2017.

Commissioner Costea moved to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 8, 2017 as presented; seconded by Commissioner Stowell. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES	Dudley, Costea, Mendoza and Stowell.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	None.

B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION: None

C. PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

- C-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 10.32 (LANDSCAPING) OF ARTICLE 3 (REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL ZONES) OF TITLE 10 (ZONING) OF THE LA PUENTE MUNICIPAL CODE IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ADOPTING A REVISED CHAPTER 10.32 OF THE LA PUENTE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPING, AND NOTICE OF EXEMPTION REGARDING SAME

Development Services Director Di Mario introduced the item and Assistant Planner Schaetzl who presented the staff report and a PowerPoint presentation.

Commissioner Costea expressed concerns regarding the amount for deposits.

Assistant Planner Schaetzl responded it was a flat fee which was approved by City Council back in 2006.

Commissioner Mendoza voiced her concerns that tracking by the Council of Governments (COG) was not being done at this time, and there was no direction given by the State. She asked if there were any requests or inquiries by the residents for landscaping that follow these guidelines.

Assistant Planner Schaetzl responded that a few residents have come to the front counter at City Hall asking what they can install on their property instead of the regular green landscaping. Ms. Schaetzl stated she had been showing examples of what they can install and providing them with a phone number for the public to call if they had questions.

Vice Chairman Dudley opened the public hearing at 7:11 p.m.

With no speakers, Vice Chairman Dudley closed the public hearing at 7:12 p.m.

Commissioner Costea moved to approve Resolution 17-1502, recommending City Council approval of an Ordinance repealing Chapter 10.32, Landscaping, of the La Puente Municipal Code, and adopting a revised Chapter 10.32 of the La Puente Municipal Code for Water Efficient Landscape and Notice of Exemption and to also include all typographical errors; seconded by Commissioner Mendoza. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Dudley, Costea, Mendoza and Stowell.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	None.

D. NEW BUSINESS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION – None

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COMMISSION:

Commissioners Costea, Mendoza and Stowell thanked staff for the nice staff report and PowerPoint presentation.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF:

Development Services Director Di Mario stated that the July Planning Commission meeting falls on Tuesday, July 4th which is a federal holiday. Per the Planning Commission guidelines, the meeting automatically rolls to Wednesday, July 5th. Staff is considering moving the meeting to Tuesday, July 18th and staff will confirm with the Commission to ensure a quorum is obtainable. Mr. Di Mario provided project updates on the Del Valle Housing Project, bus shelters replacements. Sales tax is up 23% over the last three years; our new projects are doing well. The last item is the Michelada Mix 1 Restaurant was issued a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for beer and wine that the commission approved about one year ago. As part of the standard CUP procedure, a one year review is due on how they are operating. However, Michelada just received their Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) license about one month ago. There was a delay on them receiving their ABC license. Staff is advising the Commission to bring back the CUP review for Michelada one year from now.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Vice Chairman Dudley adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.


Secretary, Planning Commission


Vice Chairman Dudley