**CITY OF LA PUENTE**

**REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

**MINUTES OF**

**JUNE 8, 2016**

Per *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 10th Edition,* minutes are a record of the actions taken by the body. These minutes do not include a summary of the discussion but only reflect the action taken by the body. A complete audio recording of this meeting is available on the City's website www.lapuente.org

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 June 8, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairperson Mendoza called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL: Commissioners: Mendoza, Perez, Costea, Dudley, and Escalon.**

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| Commissioners present: | Mendoza, Perez, Costea, Dudley, and Escalon. |
| Commissioners absent: | None. |
| Staff present: | City Manager Carmany, Development Services Director Di Mario, Assistant Planner Schaetzl, Assistant City Attorney Sparks, Administrative Secretary Ramirez and Willdan Senior Design Manager Itagaki. |

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Escalon.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION: None**

**A - MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:**

**A-1. Reading of the Minutes of the Planning Commission meeting of April 5, 2016.**

Vice Chairman Perez moved to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of April 5, 2016 as presented; seconded by Commissioner Costea. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

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| AYES | Mendoza, Perez, Costea, Dudley, and Escalon. |
| NOES: | None. |
| ABSTAIN: | None. |
| ABSENT: | None. |

## B – UNFINISHED BUSINESS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

B-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING SITE PLAN AND DESIGN REVIEW NO. 1131 TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF A DRIVE-THROUGH CARWASH FACILITY LOCATED AT 1103 NORTH HACIENDA BOULEVARD, LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA, AND NOTICE OF EXEMPTION REGARDING SAME

Development Services Director Di Mario introduced the item and stated that the City had received written communication for the proposed car wash from Mr. Brent McManigal from the law office of Gresham Savage. A copy of the letter was entered into the record and disturbed to the Commission. A copy was also placed on the back table for the public. Also, twenty-one letters were received by the City at 3:03 p.m. The letter stated that the signatures were opposing the proposed car wash. Development Services Director Di Mario stated that staff was recommending that the Commission continue the item in order to give staff time to review and analyze the documents that were received. He also stated that he wanted Assistant City Attorney Sparks to clarify the Brown Act.

Assistant City Attorney Sparks stated that one of the letters received from the law firm of Gresham Savage contained allegations that the Commission violated the Brown Act when considering the item at the last Planning Commission meeting. Ms. Sparks stated she would like to assure the Planning Commission and the public that there was in fact no violation of the Brown Act. The item was agenized pursuant to the Brown Act there was a spirited discussion. Ms. Sparks further stated that there is nothing in the Brown Act that requires the Planning Commission to comply with staff's recommendation. The City has allowed the public to comment. The Planning Commission can take other actions or make other recommendations; the last Planning Commission meeting was in full compliance with the Brown Act.

Development Services Director Di Mario stated that staff was recommending that this item be removed from the agenda. Staff will meet with the applicant to review the points being bought up in the letter from Mr. McManigal.

Commissioner Escalon moved to remove the item from the agenda and direct staff to bring back the item at a later date; seconded by Vice Chairman Perez.

The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

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| AYES | Mendoza, Perez, Costea, Dudley, and Escalon. |
| NOES: | None. |
| ABSTAIN: | None. |
| ABSENT: | None. |

**PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION:**

**C- UNFINISHED BUSINESS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION:**

C-1 SITE PLAN AND DESIGN REVIEW NO. 1131 – CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION DENYING SITE PLAN AND DESIGN REVIEW NO. 1131 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A DRIVE-THROUGH CARWASH FACILITY LOCATED AT 1103 NORTH HACIENDA BOULEVARD, LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA, AND NOTICE OF EXEMPTION REGARDING SAME

Chairperson Mendoza stated that she would like to refer to legal counsel for the next agenda item.

Assistant City Attorney Sparks stated that due to agenda item No. B-1 being removed, agenda item No. C-1 was now moot and the public hearing is cancelled. It would be rescheduled for a later date; no action was necessary by the Planning Commission.

**D- NEW BUSINESS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

D-1 A ONE-YEAR REVIEW TO DETERMINE AND EVALUATE COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 270 AND MINOR USE PERMIT NO. 1 FOR TECATE SPORTS LOUNGE LOCATED AT 762 GLENDORA AVENUE

Development Services Director Di Mario introduced the agenda item and Assistant Planner Schaetzl.

Assistant Planner Schaetzl presented the staff report.

Vice Chairman Perez asked if they meet all the requirements.

Assistant Planner Schaetzl responded in the affirmative.

Commissioner Costea stated that he would like to thank the business owner for running a clean operation and doing business in the City.

The Planning Commission received and filed the report.

**ORAL COMMENTS FROM COMMISSION: None**

**ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF:**

Development Services Director Di Mario stated that the new Dearden's Furniture and Appliance Store located in the El Super Shopping Center on Hacienda Boulevard was now open for business. WSS Shoe Store was re-locating from their current location on Hacienda Boulevard to the newly constructed building next to Harbor Freight Tools also in the El Super Shopping Center. And finally, last month Aldi Market opened for business which turned out very nice and hope the community is enjoying the low prices that they offer.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business, Chairperson Mendoza adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Secretary, Planning Commission

Chairperson Mendoza