



**MINUTES
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
July 17, 2014
City Council Chamber
One Civic Center Plaza**

ROLL CALL 5:35 P.M.

Present	5	COMMISSIONER:	GAIDO
		COMMISSIONER:	LISS
		CHAIR PRO TEMPORE:	SMITH
		VICE CHAIR:	SCHOTT
		CHAIR:	KUO

Also present were Eric Tolles, Director of Community Development; Tim Gehrich, Deputy Director of Community Development; Barry Curtis, Manager of Planning Services; Jeff Melching, Assistant City Attorney; and Beth Hanson, Recording Secretary.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Gaido led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

INTRODUCTIONS

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: It was moved by Chair Pro Tempore Smith, seconded by Vice Chair Schott and unanimously approved to:

Approve the minutes of a regular Planning Commission Meeting of July 3, 2014.

2. CULVER/UNIVERSITY INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Lisa Thai, Senior Transportation Analyst, gave the staff presentation.

Discussion included 1) the number of left turn lanes at the intersection of Culver/University; 2) the background of the NITM project was discussed and the question asked if future traffic conditions would worsen if this project was not implemented; and 3) concern that a public notice will be sent to surrounding residents, such as University Park and Rancho San Joaquin, prior to the City Council taking action on this item.

ACTION: It was moved by Chair Pro Tempore Smith; seconded by Vice Chair Schott and unanimously approved to:

Recommend City Council approval of the Project Report and adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Culver/University Intersection Improvement Project.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Gaido, seconded by Commissioner Liss to:

Request that the City Council reach out to residents of Rancho San Joaquin and University Park before they consider the improvement to the intersection.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 Commissioners: Gaido, Liss, Smith; Kuo

Noes: 1 Commissioner: Schott

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. ORANGE COUNTY GREAT PARK MASTER PLAN MODIFICATION NO. 2; PLANNING AREA 51

Chair Kuo opened the public hearing at 6:13 p.m.

Diane Vu, Senior Planner, gave the staff presentation.

David Olinger, Irvine resident, expressed concern regarding the golf course and water usage in the current drought conditions.

Discussion included: 1) a major design feature of the OCGP was the Canyon and this plan results in the loss of the Canyon; 2) impacts from major sports tournaments; 3) lack of trees within the modified Master Plan;

4) whether there is sufficient water to ensure sustainability of the park development; 5) changes to the plan for the Great Park over time; 6) relook at the location of the dog park near the Trabuco Entry; 7) design of the golf course as well as how it changed from a private development to a public one; and 8) relocation of the Farm and Food Lab and how this will be done.

Chair Kuo closed the public hearing at 7:19 p.m.

ACTION: It was moved by Vice Chair Schott; seconded by Chair Kuo to:

Adopt RESOLUTION NO. 14-3331 — A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF IRVINE APPROVING MASTER PLAN (00604048-PMP) WITH ADMINISTRATIVE RELIEF FOR PARKING AND ALTERNATIVE SETBACK STANDARDS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A TWO MILLION SQUARE FOOT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CAMPUS LOCATED WITHIN DISTRICT 3 IN PLANNING AREA 51 (GREAT PARK NEIGHBORHOODS); FILED BY FIVE POINT COMMUNITIES MANAGEMENT, INC.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 Commissioners: Schott, Smith; Kuo

Noes: 2 Commissioners: Gaido, Liss

As amended by the errata sheet.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

STAFF REPORTS

Eric Tolles, Director of Community Development, noted that a Master Plan for the development of a research and development campus located within District 3 of the Great Park heard and approved by the Planning Commission on July 3, has been appealed. Director Tolles also noted that there will be no Planning Commission meeting August 21.

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Chair Kuo and Commissioner Gaido suggested that possibly there could be some sort of design contest with students from local colleges to submit designs for wireless communication facilities.

Commissioner Liss expressed concern about bicycle and motor cycle safety and the steering of these vehicles; is it within the purview of the Planning Commission

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to address this issue. Jeff Melching will research the Municipal Code and get back with Commissioner Liss.

ADJOURNMENT – 7:56 p.m., Thursday, July 17, 2014 to a Regular Planning Commission Meeting on August 7, 2014 at 5:30 p.m., City of Irvine, City Council Chamber, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California.

Date Approved:

Aug. 7, 2014

CHAIR

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT