

**PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO  
MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF  
JULY 26, 2018  
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 12<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
CITY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING  
202 C STREET, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101**

**CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING:**

Chairperson Stephen Haase called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. Chairperson Stephen Haase adjourned the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

**ATTENDANCE DURING THE MEETING:**

Chairperson Stephen Haase – present  
Vice-Chairperson Sue Peerson – absent  
Commissioner James Whalen – present / left at 9:44 a.m.  
Commissioner Douglas Austin – present  
Commissioner William Hofman – present  
Commissioner Granowitz – present  
Dennis Otsuji – present

Staff

Corrine Neuffer, City Attorney – present  
Laura Black, Planning Department – present  
PJ FitzGerald, Development Services Department – present  
Tony Khalil, Development Services Department – present  
Carmina Trajano, Recorder – present

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE CONTINUED AND/OR WITHDRAWN**

None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

None.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Accepted as presented.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

None.

**COMMISSION COMMENT**

Commissioner Whalen commented that he just confirmed with the City Attorney that he will need to recuse on Item # 2 Old Town San Diego Community Plan Update. He commended staff for doing a great job and explained that he has a client there so he can't vote on it. He stated that he just got back from Washington, D.C. for the Proposed Endangered Species Act Amendments Meeting; he would like to report on the status of planning for the Stormwater Workshop which came up there. He also mentioned that they do have a meeting coming up with the EPA to confirm for City Staff that in-stream restoration is doable. He hopes that staff will have the answer before September 13<sup>th</sup>, that if possible; he will report on the next Planning Commission Meeting on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Commissioner Haase commented on that on Tuesday night, he was joined by Commissioner Granowitz and former Commissioner Schultz at the Community Planning Committees Meeting. They discussed how they can have a more effective relationship in communications protocol, so that Planning Groups can better articulate their positions on projects. He also mentioned that the meeting went well and thanked Commissioner Granowitz for being there in assisting with that opportunity.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

ITEM-1: \* CANDLELIGHT - PROJECT NO. 40329

City Council District: 8

Plan Area: Otay Mesa

Staff: Paul Godwin

Speaker slips in favor of the project submitted by Walter Schwerin, Michael Morton, Antoinio Blas, Clinton Abrams, Patrick Olmstead and George Champion.

No speaker slips in opposition to the project were submitted.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HOFMAN APPROVING THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS TO CERTIFY ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT NO. 40329 AND ADOPT THE ASSOCIATED MITIGATION, MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM, FINDINGS, AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS; AND APPROVE SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 1183455; APPROVE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 115000; AND APPROVE TENTATIVE MAP NO. 114999; AND TO INCLUDE THE ERRATA. Seconded by Commissioner Granowitz. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0-1 with Commissioners Haase, Hofman, Austin, Granowitz, Otsuji and Whalen voting yea and with Commissioner Peerson absent.

***Break time: 9:44 a.m. - 9:51 a.m.***

ITEM-2: **\* OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE - PROJECT NO. 561630**

City Council District: 3

Plan Area: Old Town San Diego

Staff: Vickie White & Tait Galloway

Speaker slips in favor of the project submitted by Fred Grand, Sunny Lee, Ann Dahlkamp and Chuck Ambers.

Speaker slips in opposition to the project submitted by Clifford Weiler.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AUSTIN APPROVING THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS TO RECOMMEND TO THE CITY COUNCIL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT NO. 561630/SCH. NO. 2018011022; APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE 16, DIVISION 1 AND REPEALING CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE 16, DIVISIONS 2 THROUGH 4; APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY PLAN AND AMENDING THE GENERAL PLAN; APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE REZONING LAND WITHIN THE OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY CONSISTENT WITH THE OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY PLAN; AND TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING REQUESTS AND AMENDMENTS:

- INCREASE THE PROPOSED MAXIMUM FLOOR AREA RATIO FOR THE OTCC-1-1 ZONE PROVIDE A MINIMUM RESIDENTIAL DENSITY FOR THE OTMCR-1-3 ZONE THAT IS GREATER THAN ZERO AND IS TRANSIT-SUPPORTIVE
- CONSIDER POSSIBLE STRATEGIES TO INCENTIVIZE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE TAYLOR SUB-DISTRICT
- CONSIDER POSSIBLE STRATEGIES TO ALLOW FOR INCREASED RESIDENTIAL DENSITY IN OLD TOWN WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE PROPOSED COMMUNITY PLAN AND PLANNED DISTRICT ORDINANCE.

Seconded by Commissioner Hofman. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0-2 with Commissioners Haase, Hofman, Austin, Granowitz and Otsuji voting yea and with Commissioners Whalen recusing and Peerson absent.