

**PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO  
MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF  
JUNE 23, 2005  
IN CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 12<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
CITY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

**CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING:**

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Steele at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Steele adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE DURING THE MEETING:**

Chairperson Barry Schultz-not present  
Vice-Chairperson Kathleen Garcia-not present  
Commissioner Carolyn Chase-present  
Commissioner Robert Griswold-present  
Commissioner Gil Ontai-present  
Commissioner Dennis Otsuji-present  
Commissioner Mark Steele-present  
Mary Wright, Planning Department-not present  
Bob Manis, Planning Department-present  
Betsy McCullough, Planning Department-present  
Gary Halbert, Development Services-not present  
Marcela Escobar-Eck, Development Services-present  
Doug Humphreys, Deputy City Attorney-present  
William Witt, Deputy City Attorney-not present  
Linda Lugano, Recorder-present

ITEM-1: **ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT - ISSUES WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMMISSION NOT PREVIOUSLY HEARD:**  
 Rev. James Gilbert Spoke to the need for affordable housing in San Diego for low income residents.

ITEM-2: **REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCE:**  
 None.

ITEM-3: **REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:**  
 Item No. 8 was placed on the consent agenda.

ITEM-4: **DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**  
 Bob Manis advised of Council action taken on an initiation (which the Commission denied) for Villa Costa Vista. The Council upheld the Planning Commission’s decision and denied the initiation. Marcela Escobar-Eck advised of appeals filed for PC decisions; and spoke to the Permit Press newsletter which was distributed.

ITEM-5: **COMMISSION COMMENT:**  
 Commissioner Chase asked about the Ownership Disclosure Statement memo provided to the Commission and if the City Attorney’s office will be providing additional information on this matter. Staff was requested to docket this matter for further discussion.

ITEM-6: **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2005:**

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

MOTION BY ONTAI TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2005.  
 Second by Griswold. Passed by a 5-0 vote with Chairperson Schultz and Vice-Chairperson Garcia not present.

ITEM-7: **WORKSHOP – URBAN NODE FOR THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY PLAN.**

Testimony in favor by Sam Gusman, Milton Phegley, Linda Colley, Carole Pietras, Marcia Munn, Miriam Brown, Stuart Posnock and George Lattimer.

Testimony in opposition by Dobby Knight and Rick Froese.

Public testimony was closed.

Workshop was held. It was requested that a tour of the community and subsequent workshops be held to discuss all matters involved in this community and surrounding areas.

**ITEM-8: MARINERS VILLAGE TENTATIVE MAP - PROJECT NO. 37440.**

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

CONSENT MOTION BY ONTAI TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS AS OUTLINED IN REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION NO. PC-05-084. Second by Otsuji. Passed by a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Chase voting nay and Chairperson Schultz and Vice-Chairperson Garcia not present.

**ITEM-9: CITY HEIGHTS SQUARE – PROJECT NO. 40960.**

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

MOTION BY CHASE TO RECOMMEND TO THE CITY COUNCIL THAT THEY APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS AS OUTLINED IN REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION NO. PC-05-201. Second by Griswold. Passed by a 5-0 vote with Chairperson Schultz and Vice-Chairperson Garcia not present.

**ITEM-10: COTTONWOOD ROAD TENTATIVE MAP – PROJECT NO. 35322.**

Nilia Koering presented Report to the Planning Commission No. PC-05-174.

Testimony in favor by Robert Bateman.

Testimony in opposition by Rev. James Gilbert.

Public testimony was closed.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

MOTION BY OTSUJI TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

Second by Ontai. Failed by a 3-2 vote with Commissioners Griswold and Chase voting nay and Chairperson Schultz and Vice-Chairperson Garcia not present. Item was trailed to June 30, 2005 as unfinished business.

ITEM-11: **LAFAYETTE HOTEL AND RESIDENCES - PROJECT NO. 40351.**

Dan Stricker presented Report to the Planning Commission No. PC-05-200.

Testimony in favor by Tina Colmenero, Marilyn Dear, Robert Bartholomew, John Demos, Jim Green, Jay Wentz, Beth Swersie, Mike Dunham, Susan Lake, Mike Fraire, Shirley Fenile and Bill Schaefer.

Testimony in opposition by Mary Wendorf and Ernestine Bonn.

Public testimony was closed.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

MOTION BY GRISWOLD TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS WITH A MODIFICATION TO THE SITE DESIGN ITEM UNDER CRITICAL PROJECT FEATURES TO CONSIDER TO READ: "SITE DESIGN: THE PROJECT DESIGN SHOULD NOT INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF DEVIATION FROM THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS OF THE UNDERLYING ZONE" AND DELETE THE REMAINDER OF THE SENTENCE. Second by Ontai. Passed by a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Chase voting nay and Chairperson Schultz and Vice-Chairperson Garcia not present.

The Planning Commission meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Steele at 12:40 p.m.