

Planning Commission

Minutes

Cathline Fort, Chair Raj Sangha, Vice Chair Idilio Sanchez, Secretary Matthew Gordon, Commissioner Ralph Thrasher, Commissioner

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

6:00 P.M.

Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

A. Call to Order/Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the City of Fontana Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, October 5, 2021. Chair Fort called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Present: Chair Cathline Fort, Vice Chair Raj Sangha, Secretary

Sanchez, and Commissioner Thrasher

Absent: Commissioner Gordon

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

A. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance:

Following the Invocation by Commissioner Thrasher, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chair Sangha.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Public Communications:

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. Approval of Minutes:

Approve the Regular Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of September 21, 2021.

ACTION: A Motion was made by Vice Chair Sangha, seconded by Commissioner Thrasher, and passed unanimously by a vote of 4-0 to approve the Consent Calendar.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairperson Fort, Vice Chair Sangha, and Secretary Sanchez and

Commissioner Thrasher

Absent: Commissioner Gordon

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PH- A Master Case No. 18-025R1; Design Review No. 18-007R1 - a request to amend the previously approved multi-family senior housing development. The amendment includes modifying the site plan, floor plans and architecture, as well as increasing the total number of units from 77 to 78 units.

Chair Fort opened Public Hearing Item.

Cecily Session-Goins, Associate Planner presented the staff report. Staff noted that a modification was made to Condition of Approval No. 16 regarding the Air Conditioning Unit.

The commission inquired about the additional proposed unit.

The commission ensued a discussion regarding the roof mounted equipment and the screening of the equipment.

The applicant, Ali Monshizadeh, has read and accepted the conditions of approval, including the modification to Condition No. 16. The applicant thanked staff, DiTanyon Johnson and Cecily Session-Goins for walking them through the process for this project. The applicant discussed the opportunity to enhance this project and discussed the difference between the original project and the project being presented tonight. In addition, the applicant further explained how the extra unit came about for the updated project.

The commission and applicant discussed the type of air conditioning units for the units within the project.

The commission requested for the applicant to include water filler or water stations on the track; and the applicant acknowledge the request.

The commission thanked the applicant for bringing the project to Fontana, but especially for bringing senior housing, and for being attentive to the details for the amenities.

Public Hearing was closed.

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the information in this staff report and subject to the attached Findings and Conditions of Approval, staff recommends that the Planning Commission adopt Resolution PC No. 2021-037 and;

- 1. Determine that the project Categorically Exempt pursuant to Section No. 15332 (Class No. 32, In-Fill Development Project) of the CEQA and Section No. 3.22 of the 2019 Local Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act, and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption; and,
- 2. Approve Design Review No. 18-007R1.

ACTION: Motion was made by Secretary Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Thrasher, and passed unanimously by a vote of 4-0 to adopt this Public Hearing with the modification to Condition of Approval No. 16. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairperson Fort, Vice Chair Sangha, Secretary Sanchez, and

Commissioner Thrasher

Absent: Commissioner Gordon

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. None

DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Director Communications:

No other communications were received.

COMMISSION COMMENTS:

A. Public Communication Remarks:

Commissioner Thrasher thanked staff and the applicant.

Secretary Sanchez thanked the applicant for bringing a great project to the city and commented that we need to take care of the seniors. He also thanked the staff for providing the project information.

Vice Chair Sangha thanked staff for the staff reports and thanked the applicant for bringing their development to Fontana. He also acknowledged Secretary Sanchez's presence at the meeting and commented that his prayers are still with him and his family. Additionally, he thanked the viewers at home and wished everyone a good evening.

Chair Fort echoed her fellow commissioners' comments and stated that it is a privilege and a blessing to serve the City of Fontana in the capacity that they do. She acknowledged her husband's presence at the meeting, who decided to spend the day with her on a special day.

Secretary Sanchez wished Chair Fort a Happy Birthday.

WORKSHOP:

A. None

ADJOURNMENT:

By consensus, the meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m. to a Joint City Council and Planning Commission Workshop on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers located at 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California; then to the next Regular Planning Commission Meeting on Tuesday, October 19, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers located at 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California.

Maria Torres
Administrative Secretary

THE FOREGOING MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON THE 19TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2021.