



MINUTES OF
PLANNING COMMISSION

August 14, 2023

The Planning Commission of the City of Eureka met in REGULAR Session on the above date, 5:30 P.M. Open Session, at the Eureka City Hall, Council Chambers; 531 "K" Street, Eureka.

A) ROLL CALL

PRESIDING: Meredith Maier

PRESENT: Craig Benson
Delores Freitas
Michael Kraft
Steve Lazar

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Caitlin Castellano, Cristin Kenyon, Jessica Paine

B) SALUTE TO THE FLAG was led by Commissioner Kraft.

C) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Benson moved, seconded by Commissioner Kraft, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Meredith Maier, Craig Benson, Delores Freitas, Michael Kraft

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Steve Lazar

Commissioner Lazar arrived just prior to the vote on the approval of minutes.

D) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS were opened and closed at 5:35 pm.

E) PUBLIC HEARINGS – CONTINUED- None

F) PUBLIC HEARINGS – NEW

1. Flood Reduction and Sea Level Rise Resiliency Project
Caitlin Castellano provided a staff report.

Jesse Willor, Director of Engineering in Public Works, and Brett Vivyan of GHD, the project consultant, addressed questions received from the Commission.

Additional information was provided to the Commission by Jesse Willor and Brett Vivyan.

Public hearing was opened and closed at 6:21 pm.

Commissioner Benson moved, seconded by Commissioner Freitas, that the Planning Commission adopt a Resolution adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration, Mitigation Monitoring, and Reporting Program, and Response to Comments and Errata; and conditionally approving the Conditional Use permit and Coastal Development Permit for the Flood Reduction and Sea Level Rise Resiliency Project. Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Meredith Maier, Craig Benson, Delores Freitas, Michael Kraft, Steve Lazar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

G) OLD BUSINESS- None

H) NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss change of meeting day at Chair's request
Discussion happened among the Commissioners.

Public comment was opened and closed at 6:28 pm.

Commissioner Freitas moved, seconded by Commissioner Kraft, that the Planning Commission adopt to change its current regular meetings from the second Monday of each month at 5:30 pm to the second Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm, effective November 2023 and to amend the Planning Commission bylaws to reflect the change. Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Meredith Maier, Craig Benson, Delores Freitas, Michael Kraft, Steve Lazar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

2. Appointment of Ad-Hoc Committee to Discuss Vacation Rental Regulations
Cristin Kenyon provided a staff report.

The Commissioners discussed the purpose of the Ad-Hoc Committee and provided guidance on the Committee's work.

Commissioner Kraft and Commissioner Lazar volunteered to be part of the Ad-Hoc Committee, and Chair Maier appointed Commissioners Kraft and Lazar to the Ad-Hoc Committee.

Public comment was opened and closed at 7:06 pm.

I) DIRECTORS REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Cristin Kenyon provided an update on Development Services – Planning staffing and workload.

J) OTHER REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

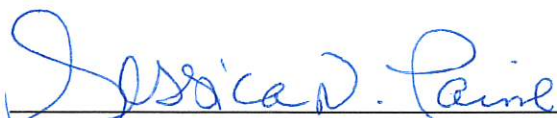
K) ADJOURNMENT- 7:23 pm

APPROVED:



Cristin Kenyon
Executive Administrator

Attest:



Jessica Paine
Administrative Assistant