

MINUTES
PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
October 6, 2015

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Highland was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Hamerly, in the Donahue Council Chambers, 27215 Base Line, Highland, California.

Present: Chairman Randall Hamerly
 Vice Chairman John Gamboa
 Commissioners Trang Huynh
 Marc Shaw
 Milton Sparks

Absent: None

Staff Present: Lawrence A. Mainez, Community Development Director
 Kim Stater, Assistant Community Development Director
 Brandy Littleton, Administrative Assistant III

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Hamerly.

2.0 COMMUNITY INPUT

Drew Lucas, Concerned Neighbors in the Highland Hills area, spoke regarding the Diversified Pacific project between Santa Ana Canyon and Water Street. Mr. Lucas indicated that the developer has never met with them and asked that staff be directed to meet with the residents on North Fork, Santa Ana Canyon, and Aplin St. to discuss issues, that have not been addressed properly, before the process gets under way. The catch basins, on the first seven (7) or eight (8) houses built above him, are not on line and are filling. The drainage in the project area is sandbagged and fills fast. The temporary measures for containing storm flows are working but they are concerned. Finally, the company's president is under incitement for bribery and county officials have lost their jobs. They just ask that the City deals with the company under the microscope. When asked for specific topics that he wanted to discuss with Staff, Mr. Lucas responded that it mainly concerned Santa Ana Canyon, the housing project, and Aplin St. going through. There will be two other streets that will go into Santa Ana Canyon, which he believes cannot be widened, despite what City Engineer, Ernest Wong, says. Mr. Drew also indicated that they would like to show staff elevations on Aplin St., as it relates to the single and double story homes, across from them, taking their view. Mr. Lucas also expressed his ideas for how the houses should face on Aplin St., as it pertains to the equestrian trail.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

3.1 Minutes of September 15, 2015, Regular Meeting

A MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Gamboa, seconded by Commissioner Huynh to approve the minutes, as submitted.

Motion carried, 5-0.

4.0 NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Base Line Median Turf Conversion Plans Affecting the Landscaping and Irrigation between Church Street and Weaver Street

Assistant Community Development Director Stater presented the staff report.

Fred Yauger, representative to the East Highlands Ranch, answered questions regarding the project.

Scott Rice, Community Works Design Group, answered questions regarding the project.

Chairman Hamerly closed the Public Hearing.

A MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Gamboa and seconded by Commissioner Huynh to approve the Base Line Median Turf Conversion plan.

Motion carried, 5-0.

4.2 Brown Act Review

Administrative Assistant III Littleton presented the staff report.

The Planning Commission reviewed and filed the report.

5.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Assistant Community Development Director Stater noted that the City Council upheld the Planning Commission's decision to approve the Diversified Pacific Tract Map and denied the appeal. There were a number of directives to staff regarding pad elevation, perimeter block walls, circulation, and hydrology. Staff has met with the project applicant, made some recommended changes to the plans that were submitted for design review and should be back to the Planning Commission by their second meeting in November.

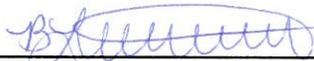
Assistant Community Development Director Stater asked the Planning Commission for their availability for a Special Meeting for a 'Flag Test', for Verizon, on September 20, 2015.

Assistant Community Development Director Stater reminded the Planning Commission about the Volunteer Dinner.

6.0 ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chairman Hamerly declared the meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Submitted by:



Brandy Littleton, Administrative Assistant III
Community Development Department

Approved by:



Randall Hamerly, Chairman
Planning Commission