

CITY OF BUELLTON

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

March 21, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246
Buellton, California

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Heedy called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Heedy led the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Michael Eglin, Vice Chair Patty Hammel and Chair Dan Heedy

Absent: Commissioners Bob Blokdyk and Marcilo Sarquilla

Staff: Planning Director Andrea Keefer
Public Works Director Rose Hess
Contract City Planner Irma Tucker
Staff Assistant/Planning Technician Clare Barcelona

REORDERING OF AGENDA

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the regular Planning Commission meeting of February 21, 2019

MOTION:

Commissioner Hammel moved and Commissioner Eglin seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of February 21, 2019.

VOTE:

Motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

None

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

OTHER BUSINESS

2. Review and Direction to Staff Regarding Ave of Flags Median Two Design Plan

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Planning Commission review the draft plans and provide staff with additional recommendations if necessary to move forward towards completion of the Design Plans for Council Discussion.

STAFF REPORT:

Public Works Director Rose Hess presented the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Ron Milligan, Landscape Architect, MNS Engineers, summarized the design features noting the use of native landscaping, permeable paving and the pedestrian friendly aspect of the design.

Kent Yankee, Deputy City Engineer, MNS Engineers, stated that during construction there will be minimal impact to the surrounding businesses.

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, stated that the design is unattractive and that per the Community Guidelines large parking lots should be avoided and added that bicycle and motorcycle parking should be shown on the design. She asked the Applicant to consider adding a landscaped area in the center of the median.

The Commission spoke in favor of the overall design and suggested adding bicycle/motorcycle parking, additional landscaping, incorporate the art deco design into the street furnishings and increase the width of the compact parking spaces.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

PLANNING COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Chair Heedy stated that parking from the SCOR bike ride held on March 9th caused a significant impact to traffic and parking along McMurray Road.

PLANNING DIRECTOR REPORT

Planning Director Keefer updated the Commission on the status of various projects including a conceptual design of a proposed project at 480 Avenue of Flags that will be coming before the Commission at a later date.

Contract Planner Irma Tucker handed out invitations to an Earth Day 2020 kick-off meeting to be held on April 17th.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Heedy adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Chair Dan Heedy

ATTEST:

Clare Barcelona, Planning Commission Secretary

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