

CITY OF BUELLTON

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting of November 17, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246
Buellton, California

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Mercado led the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Brian Dunstan, Dan Heedy, Joe Padilla, Vice
Chair Art Mercado and Chair Foster Reif

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

REORDERING OF AGENDA

None

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation to outgoing Chairman Foster Reif

Ron Anderson, Buellton Chamber of Commerce President and the Commission presented Chair Reif with a parting gift commemorating his 8 years of service on the Planning Commission.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Minutes of the regular Planning Commission meeting of October 6, 2016

MOTION:

Chair Reif moved and Commissioner Heedy seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of October 6, 2016.

VOTE:

Motion passed 4-0 voice vote with abstention by Commissioner Padilla due to his absence from the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

None

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

OTHER BUSINESS

3. Preliminary Review of the People Helping People Thrift Store Project (16-CUP-03)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Planning Commission provide direction to the applicant and staff regarding the proposed project and whether the site is large enough to accommodate such a use without impacting the neighborhood with the issues noted in the staff report.

DOCUMENTS:

Planning Department Staff Report with attachments (Vicinity Map, Project Description for People Helping People Thrift Store)

STAFF REPORT:

Assistant Planner Andrea Keefer presented the staff report.

SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:

Karen Bowker, 219 Menlo Drive, Buellton, representing People Helping People, addressed the Commission's concerns regarding parking and illegal dumping.

Finn Runge, 546 Blue Blossom, Buellton, voiced concerns in regards to the location of the proposed thrift shop.

The Commission discussed the following issues:

- Truck pick-up and delivery schedule
- Parking
- Illegal dumping

- Suggested adding a one year review period to the CUP

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

PLANNING COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

The Commission congratulated Chair Reif on his election to the City Council.

PLANNING DIRECTOR REPORT

City Manager Bierdzinski updated the Commission on recent City Council actions and the status of various projects and mentioned several upcoming projects.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Reif adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting of the Planning Commission to be held December 1, 2016 at the City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246, Buellton.

Foster Reif, Planning Commission Chair

ATTEST:

Clare Barcelona, Planning Commission Secretary

An audio CD of this Planning Commission Meeting is available upon request.