



CITY of ESCONDIDO

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

January 23, 2023 at 7:00 PM
Council Chambers: 201 North Broadway, Escondido, CA 92025

WELCOME TO YOUR COMMISSION MEETING

We welcome your interest and involvement in the legislative process of Escondido. This agenda includes information about topics coming before the Commission.

CHAIR

Rick Paul

VICE CHAIR

Katharine Barba

COMMISSIONERS

David Barber

Judy Fitzgerald

Carrie Mecaro

Barry Speer

Stan Weiler

MINUTES CLERK

Alex Rangel

HOW TO WATCH

The City of Escondido provides one way to watch the Planning Commission meeting:

In Person



201 N. Broadway, Escondido, CA 92025



CITY of ESCONDIDO

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE: Rick Paul

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Rick Paul, Chair; David Barber, Commissioner; Carrie Mecaro, Commissioner; Barry Speer, Commissioner; and Stan Weiler, Commissioner.

Commissioner Absent: Katharine Barba, Vice-Chair; Judy Fitzgerald, Commissioner.

City Staff Present: Veronica Morones, City Planner; Dare DeLano, Senior Deputy City Attorney; Owen Tunnel, Assistant City Engineer; Greg Mattson, Contract Planner; Alex Rangel, Minutes Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 9, 2023

Motion to approve from Commissioner Barber; Second: Commissioner Speer.

Motion carried (4-0) to approve the minutes.

Ayes: Paul, Barber, Speer, and Weiler.

Abstain: Mecaro.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. **PL21-0057 – 335 N. Quince Street / North County Transit District – Fleet Parking**

REQUEST: A Conditional Use Permit to allow for the fleet vehicle storage and support to an existing bus maintenance facility owned and operated by the North County Transit District, East Division Maintenance Facility. The request also includes removal of existing site remnant foundations, site fences, pavement, lighting, and vegetation, and replacement with new parking lot paving, restriping, perimeter walls, lighting, access, and landscaping.

PROPERTY SIZE AND LOCATION: The 1.24-acre site is located at the southwest corner of N. Quince Street and Norlak Avenue, and directly north of the Escondido Creek Channel, addressed as 335 N. Quince Street. (Assessor's Parcel No. 232-091-20-00)



CITY of ESCONDIDO

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS: The Project qualifies for an exemption under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") Guidelines sections 15332 (In-Fill Development Project).

APPLICANT: North County Transit District (NCTD)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

COMMISSION DISCUSSION:

Commissioners discussed various aspects of the project, including the proposed uses and location of the proposed fleet parking.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Motion to table project PL21-0057 and return to staff for additional review and clarification of project description.

Motion: Chair Paul. Second: None (motion not carried).

Motion to approve Planning Commission Resolution No. 2024-02, approving the project.

Motion: Commissioner Mecaro. Second: Commissioner Speer.

Motion carried (4-1) to approve the project.

Ayes: Barber, Mecaro, Speer, Weiler.

Nays: Paul.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. **Historic Preservation Commission**

REQUEST: Discussion related to the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC).

PROPERTY SIZE AND LOCATION: N/A

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS: Not a project under CEQA, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5).

APPLICANT: N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:



CITY of ESCONDIDO

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023

None.

COMMISSION DISCUSSION:

Commissioners discussed various aspects of the HPC, including the Old Escondido Neighborhood, future historic review, and delegation of existing HPC tasks.

COMMISSION ACTION:

None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:

None.

CITY PLANNER'S REPORT:

City Planner Morones provided information related to the upcoming projects, and tentative agenda for future Planning Commission meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Paul adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Veronica Morones, Secretary to the Escondido
Planning Commission

Alex Rangel, Minutes Clerk