

CITY of ESCONDIDO PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

January 14, 2025 at 7:00 PM Council Chambers: 201 North Broadway, Escondido, CA 92025

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CHAIR

Stan Weiler

VICE CHAIR

David Barber

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Marc Correll

Jeff Jester

Carrie Mecaro

Barry Speer

Dustin Steeve

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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE: Stan Weiler

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Stan Weiler, Chair; David Barber, Vice-Chair; Jeff Jester, Commissioner; and Dustin Steeve, Commissioner.

Commissioner Absent: Marc Correll, Commissioner; Carrie Mecaro, Commissioner; and Barry Speer, Commissioner.

City Staff Present: Veronica Morones, City Planner; Dare DeLano, Assistant City Attorney; Owen Tunnell, Assistant City Engineer; Pricila Roldan, Associate Planner; Robert Rhodes, Assistant Director of Community Services; Alex Rangel, Minutes Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 12, 2024
 Motion: Vice-Chair Barber; Second: Chair Weiler.
 Motion carried (3-0) to approve the minutes.

Ayes: Weiler, Barber, Steeve.

Abstain: Jester.

Absent: Correll, Mecaro, Speer.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

2. PL24-0256 – 2024 Omnibus Zoning Code Update

REQUEST: A series of amendments to the Escondido Zoning Ordinance and one amendment to the Escondido Subdivision Ordinance to address changes in state laws, correct errors, and clarify or improve existing regulations. The proposal involves minor amendments to Chapter 32, Article 2 (Tentative Maps) and to Chapter 33, Articles 1 (General Provisions and Definitions), 6 (Residential Zones), 16 (Commercial Zones), 26 (Industrial Zones), 30 (Hazardous Chemical Overlay (H-C-O) Zone), 37 (Public Art), 39 (Off-Street Parking), 57 (Miscellaneous Use Restrictions), 61 (Administration and Enforcement), 65 (Old Escondido



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Neighborhood), 66 (Sign Ordinance), 67 (Density Bonus and Residential Incentives), 70 (Accessory Dwelling Units and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units).

PROPERTY SIZE AND LOCATION: Citywide

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS: Statutory Exemption pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.17 and CEQA Guidelines section 15282(h) and/or 15378(b)(5) as they do not qualify as a "project" under CEQA.

APPLICANT: City of Escondido

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve Resolution No. 2025-01, recommending approval to City Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

COMMISSION DISCUSSION:

The commissioners discussed various aspects of the omnibus code update, including the Public Arts Program and other proposed changes to the code.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Motion to approve Planning Resolution No. 2025-01 recommending approval of the project to the City Council, with the section reference in Chapter 32, Article 2, modified from 33-1318 to 33-1319(a)(7).

Motion: Commissioner Barber. Second: Commissioner Steeve.

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

Ayes: Weiler, Barber, Steeve, Jester. Absent: Correll, Mecaro, Speer.

CURRENT BUSINESS

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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

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None.

CITY PLANNER'S REPORT:

City Planner Morones provided a Tentative Future Agenda for the January 28, 2025 Planning Commission meeting items and location.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Weiler adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

Veronica Morones. Secretary to the Escondido

Planning Commission

Alex Rangel, Minutes Clerk