



CITY *of* ESCONDIDO

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

March 14, 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.

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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE: David Barber

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Katharine Barba, Chair; Rick Paul, Vice-Chair; David Barber, Commissioner; and Stan Weiler, Commissioner

Commissioners Absent: Carrie Mecaro, Commissioner; Barry Speer, Commissioner; and Dao Doan, Commissioner

City Staff Present: Adam Finestone, City Planner; Dare Delano, Senior Deputy City Attorney; Owen Tunnel, Assistant City Engineer; Eddmond Alberto, City Traffic Engineer; Craig Williams, Associate Engineer; and Kimberlianne Miller, Minutes Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 28, 2023

Motion Carried 4-0 to approve

Ayes: Barba, Paul, Barber, Weiler

Absent: Mecaro, Speer, Doan

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. PL22-0601 – CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT MODIFICATION

REQUEST: A modification to an existing Conditional Use Permit allowing live entertainment with alcohol service at an existing restaurant. Modifications are related to conditions of approval addressing operational characteristics and would cause the facility to be reclassified from a restaurant with live entertainment to a bar/nightclub.

PROPERTY SIZE AND LOCATION: The project site is a 4,920 square foot suite in the approximately 9-acre Felicita Plaza commercial center, located on the southeast corner of Felicita Avenue and Centre City Parkway, addressed as 329 W. Felicita Avenue (Assessor's Parcel Number 236-252-49-00).



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ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS: The project is categorically exempt from further environmental review pursuant to CEQA guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities).

APPLICANT: Sierra Madre Cantina / Kalaveraz Inc. (Juan Magana)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval

COMMISSION ACTION: N/A – The item was removed from the agenda by the applicant.

PROJECTED COUNCIL HEARING DATE: N/A

CURRENT BUSINESS:

2. PL23-0133 – Vehicle Miles Traveled

REQUEST: All development projects are subject to environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Transportation impacts under CEQA are analyzed using a metric called Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT). Staff will provide the Planning Commission with information on how this metric is analyzed, and what options exist for development projects that are determined to have a significant transportation impact.

PROPERTY SIZE AND LOCATION: N/A

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS: This item is not a “project” as defined in CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b).

APPLICANT: Development Services Department

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: N/A

COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PROJECTED COUNCIL HEARING DATE: N/A

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

3. FUTURE AGENDA

None.



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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:

Chair Barba noted that she will not be present at the next Planning Commission meeting and Vice-Chair Paul will lead the next meeting.

CITY PLANNER'S REPORT

City Planner Finestone noted that the next Planning Commission meeting will be held on March 28, 2023, and there will be one public hearing item presented for applicant, West Coast Arborist, regarding a master and precise development plan modification. City Planner Finestone also noted that there will be a Planning Commission meeting held on April 11, 2023, and he informed the Commission that Andrew Firestone, Director of Development Services will be attending that meeting on his behalf.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Barba adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

for
Adam Finestone, Secretary to the Escondido
Planning Commission

Kimberlianne Miller, Minutes Clerk