

**CITY OF ESCONDIDO**

**ACTION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
ESCONDIDO PLANNING COMMISSION  
VIDEO/VIRTUAL CONFERENCE**

**January 12, 2021**

The meeting of the Escondido Planning Commission was called to order at 7 p.m. by Chair Weiler, in the City Council Chambers, 201 North Broadway, Escondido, California.

**Commissioners present:** Stan Weiler, Chair; Katharine Barba, Commissioner; Dao Doan, Commissioner; Rick Paul, Commissioner; Ingrid Rainey, Commissioner; and Nathan Serrato, Commissioner. 1 Vacancy.

**Commissioners absent:** None.

**Staff present:** Mike Strong, Director of Community Development; Kurt Whitman, Senior Deputy City Attorney; Owen Tunnell, Assistant City Engineer; and Joanne Tasher, Minutes Clerk.

**MINUTES:**

Moved by Commissioner Barba (with the modification to Commissioner Barba's reason to vote No on PHG 19-0049) and seconded by Commissioner Rainey to approve the Action Minutes of December 8, 2020, Planning Commission meeting. Motion carried unanimously (6-0). 1 Vacancy.

**SELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR:**

Ingrid Rainey nominated herself. No other Commissioners were nominated.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

Motion by Commissioner Serrato and seconded by Commissioner Doan to select Commissioner Rainey as Vice-Chair. Motion carried unanimously (6-0). 1 Vacancy.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

**FUTURE NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS:** None.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None.

**ITEMS CONTINUED FROM DECEMBER 8, 2020:**

**1. CLIMATE ACTION PLAN UPDATE – PHG 18-0009:**

REQUEST: The Climate Action Plan Update (“CAP Update”) consists of a comprehensive update to the 2013 CAP. The CAP update serves as a roadmap for the City to reduce citywide greenhouse gas emissions (“GHG emissions”) and builds on the 2013 CAP by updating the GHG emissions inventory with a new baseline year and forecasting emissions, consistent with state legislation and executive orders that are aimed at reducing Statewide GHG emissions. This includes AB 32, which established a target of reducing Statewide GHG levels to 1990 levels by 2020; SB 32, which established a mid-term target of reducing Statewide GHG levels to 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030; and Executive Order S-3-05, which recommends a longer-term statewide GHG reduction goal of reducing emissions to 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050. By establishing consistency with state legislation, the CAP Update seeks to streamline future development approvals within the City. The City has also developed a Climate Action Plan Consistency Review Checklist, in conjunction with the CAP Update, to provide a streamlined review process for proposed new development projects that are subject to discretionary review and trigger environmental review pursuant to CEQA. The CAP Update also provides a range of adaptation strategies and measures as an additional component to climate action planning. The City recognizes the importance of building resilience in the community to future climate change—related impacts through climate adaptation. Through “adaptation planning” the City is undertaking a process of identifying climate risks and opportunities, assessing the options to manage these risks and opportunities, and implementing actions to sustain and even improve the community’s quality of life. The Planning Commission will be asked to review and consider the project and provide a recommendation to the City Council. The proposal also includes the adoption of the environmental determination prepared for the project.

PROPERTY SIZE AND LOCATION: CityWide

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS: A Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration ("IS/MND") was issued for 30-day public review, beginning on July 1, 2020, and ending July 31, 2020, in conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"). The IS/MND incorporates mitigation measures that will avoid or mitigate impacts related to cultural/tribal cultural resources to a less than significant level.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval to City Council

**COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION:**

The Commissioners continued discussion of the Climate Action Plan (CAP) in regards to the City being required to meet greenhouse gas emissions.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

Motion by Commissioner Barba and seconded by Commissioner Paul to recommended approval to City Council with the minor modifications as suggested by the Commission. Motion carried unanimously (6-0). 1 Vacancy.

**CURRENT BUSINESS:** None.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None.


**PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chair Weiler adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m. The January 26, 2021 Planning Commission meeting was cancelled.



Mike Strong, Secretary to the  
Escondido Planning Commission



Joanne Tasher, Minutes Clerk

**CITY OF ESCONDIDO****ACTION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
ESCONDIDO PLANNING COMMISSION  
VIDEO/VIRTUAL CONFERENCE****March 23, 2021**

The meeting of the Escondido Planning Commission was called to order at 7 p.m. by Chair Weiler, in the City Council Chambers, 201 North Broadway, Escondido, California.

**Commissioners present:** Stan Weiler, Chair; Ingrid Rainey, Vice-Chair; Katharine Barba, Commissioner; Dao Doan, Commissioner; Rick Paul, Commissioner; Herminia Ramirez, Commissioner; and Nathan Serrato, Commissioner.

**Commissioners absent:** None.

Welcome to the new Planning Commissioner, Herminia Ramirez.

**Staff present:** Mike Strong, Director of Community Development; Kurt Whitman, Senior Deputy City Attorney; Adam Finestone, City Planner; Owen Tunnell, Assistant City Engineer; Jay Paul, Senior Planner; Darren Parker, Associate Planner; Jessica Relucio, Assistant Planner I; and Joanne Tasher, Minutes Clerk.

**MINUTES:**

1) The Commission was asked to re-vote on the 12/08/2020 Minutes:

Moved by Vice-Chair Rainey and seconded by Commissioner Barba to approve the Action Minutes of the December 8, 2020, Planning Commission meeting. Motion carried unanimously (6-0). Ayes: Barba, Doan, Paul, Rainey, Serrato, and Weiler; Abstained: Ramirez.