



City of Fontana
Planning Commission
Minutes

Cathline Fort, Chair
Raj Sangha, Vice Chair
Idilio Sanchez, Secretary
Ralph Thrasher, Commissioner

Tuesday, February 7, 2023 6:00 P.M. Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

A. Call to Order/Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the City of Fontana Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, February 7, 2023. Chair Fort called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Present: Chair Fort, Secretary Sanchez, and Commissioner Thrasher

Absent: Vice Chair Sangha

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

A. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance:

Following the Invocation by Secretary Sanchez, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Thrasher.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Public Communications:

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. Approval of Minutes:

Approve the Regular Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2023.

ACTION: A Motion was made by Commissioner Thrasher and seconded by Secretary Sanchez and passed by a vote of 3-0-1 to approve the Consent Calendar.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chair Fort, Secretary Sanchez, and Commissioner Thrasher

Absent: Vice Chair Sangha

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PH-A Master Case No. 22-012; Design Review No. 22-006 - A request for the site and architectural review of a 19-unit apartment complex on a 0.78-acre lot.

Chair Fort opened Public Hearing

Alexia De La Torre, Assistant Planner presented the staff report.

Secretary Sanchez inquired whether this was a gated project.

The commission and staff briefly discussed the trash enclosure and the ability for the trash collection to get in and out of the property.

Another discussion took place regarding the only entry and exit point of the project and the need to determine if more than one entrance and exit is needed. Staff commented that the parcel was surrounded by development and that it would be impossible to add another entry on any side of the project. Staff also stated that adding another entry point to the north of the proposed entry would be to close in proximity per Engineering Standards.

Lastly, the commission and staff discussed the final fencing of the property.

The applicant, Joe Holasek, on behalf of NOAA Group, stated that he read and agreed to the Conditions of Approval.

The commission and the applicant discussed the complexity of the project and the applicant briefly described project items such as the 30ft. fire lanes, access to both trash enclosures, fire department hammer turn arounds, storm water drainage and curb cuts at the entry of the project.

Chair Fort expressed her appreciation for the architectural design of the project and thanked the applicant for bringing this type of project to the city.

Secretary Sanchez complimented the applicant on the modernization of the project.

Commissioner Thrasher thanked the applicant for adding additional parking spots to the project.

No one spoke in favor or opposition of this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the information in the staff report and subject to the attached Findings and Conditions of Approval, staff recommends that the Planning Commission adopt Resolution PC No. 2023-006; and,

- 1. Determine that the project is Categorically Exempt pursuant to Section No. 15332, (Class No. 32, In-Fill) and Section No. 3.18 (Certain Infill Projects) of the 2019 Local Guidelines for Implementing CEQA, and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption; and,**
- 2. Approve Design Review No. 22-006.**

ACTION: Motion was made by Secretary Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Thrasher, and passed by a vote of 3-0-1 to adopt Resolution PC No. 2023-006 and approve Master Case No. 22-012 and Design Review No. 22-006.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Sanchez, Thrasher, Fort; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Sangha

PH-B Master Case No. 22-133; Design Review Project No. 22-060 - A request for site and architectural approval of 18 proposed single-family dwellings on previously approved and recorded Tract Map No. 16897 (TTM No. 19-003).

Chair Fort opened Public Hearing.

Cecily Session-Goins, Associate Planner presented the staff report and noted the memo that was distributed at the dais, modifying condition of approval number 14. Modification will read, "All new block walls visible for the public right away shall be constructed with decorative materials and shall include a cap along the top of the wall".

Secretary Sanchez inquired on the precision wall and the color of the brick wall.

The commission and staff discussed the renderings and elevations of the project; the decorative block walls, the walls between each house and the visibility of the walls.

The applicant, Adriana Gomez, on behalf Andresen Architecture stated that she read and agreed to the Conditions of Approval.

The applicant commented on the tan color of the block wall. Commission and the applicant discussed the type of stone along the perimeter walls of the project.

No one spoke in favor or opposition of this item

The Public Hearing was closed.

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the information in the staff report and subject to the attached Findings and Conditions of Approval, staff recommends that the Planning Commission adopt Resolution PC No. 2023-007; and,

- 1. Determine that the project is Categorically Exempt pursuant Section No. 15332, (Class No. 32, In-Fill) and Section No. 3.18 (In-Fill Projects) of the 2019 Local Guidelines for implementing CEQA, and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption; and,**
- 2. Approve Design Review No. 22-060.**

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Thrasher, seconded by Secretary Sanchez, and passed unanimously by a vote of 3-0-1 to adopt Resolution PC No. 2023-007 and approve Master Case No. 22-13 and Design Review Project No. 22-060 with the modification noted to the conditions of approval.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Sanchez, Thrasher, Fort; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Sangha

DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Director Communications: None

COMMISSION COMMENTS:

A. Public Communication Commission Comments:

Commissioner Thrasher thanked and expressed his appreciation towards the Planning staff.

Secretary Sanchez echoed comments that were previously mentioned; thanked first responders and law enforcement for taking care of us and making us feel safe.

Chair Fort commented on new housing coming to the city; commented on the fresh new

look of the projects and expressed her appreciation towards the Planning Department for all their hard work.

ADJOURNMENT:

By consensus, the meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m. to the next Regular Planning Commission Meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers located at 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California.

Susana Gallardo

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Specialist to the Deputy City Clerk

**THE FOREGOING MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION
ON THE 7th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2023.**

Cathline Fort

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Chairperson

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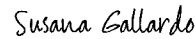
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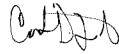
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