

**PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO  
MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF  
MAY 7, 2020  
VIRTUAL MEETING**

**CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING:**

Vice-Chairperson William Hofman called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Vice-Chairperson William Hofman adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

\*NOTE: Commissioners Whalen, Austin, Granowitz, Otsuji, Boomhower and Moden participated in the meeting by teleconference.

**ATTENDANCE DURING THE MEETING:**

Vice-Chairperson William Hofman – present

\*Commissioner James Whalen – present

\*Commissioner Douglas Austin – present

\*Commissioner Vicki Granowitz – present

\*Commissioner Dennis Otsuji – present

\*Commissioner Matthew Boomhower – present

\*Commissioner Kelly Moden – present

Staff

\*Heather Ferbert, City Attorney – present

\*Laura Black, Planning Department – present

PJ FitzGerald, Development Services Department – present

\*Tony Khalil, Development Services Department – present

Carmina Trajano, Recorder present

\*NOTE: Deputy City Attorney Heather Ferbert, Planning Deputy Director Laura Black and City Engineer Tony Khalil participated in the meeting by teleconference.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT**

NOTE: Non-Agenda Public Comment were read into the record by Assistant Deputy Director PJ FitzGerald.

**Public Comment - 1:**

- Isabella Johnson commented on police action in Ocean Beach.

**REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE CONTINUED AND/OR WITHDRAWN**

- Julie Hamilton commented requesting for a continuance for Item 4 – Sugarman SDP.

Item 4 - Sugarman SDP/Project No. 625569 - **CONTINUED TO MAY 14, 2020**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**ITEM-1: VERIZON FAIRBANKS – PROJECT NO. 555731**

City Council District: 1                      Plan Area: Fairbanks Ranch Country Club

Staff: Karen Lynch

No public testimony on this item.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

CONSENT MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WHALEN APPROVING THE STAFF’S RECOMMENDATIONS TO APPROVE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT (PDP) NO. 2386038 AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (CUP) NO. 2386086 AND SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT (SDP) NO. 2410668. Seconded by Commissioner Boomhower. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0 with Commissioners Moden, Hofman, Austin, Granowitz, Boomhower, Otsuji, and Whalen voting yea.

**ITEM-2: 70TH STREET TM/PDP – PROJECT NO. 613124**

City Council District: 9                      Plan Area: College

Staff: Sammi Ma

***Break: 10:07 a.m. – 10:08 a.m.***

In favor of the project: David Yeh and Avi Cohen spoke to answer questions.

In opposition to the project: Shari Hampton spoke, asking a clarifying question.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AUSTIN APPROVING THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TENTATIVE MAP NO. 2173032, A WAIVER REQUIREMENT TO UNDERGROUND EXISTING OFF-SITE OVERHEAD UTILITIES AND APPROVE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 2359196. Seconded by Commissioner Granowitz. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0 with Commissioners Moden, Hofman, Austin, Granowitz, Boomhower, Otsuji, and Whalen voting yea. Note: This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda and was heard as the second Discussion Item.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Item 2 - 70TH STREET TM/PDP – PROJECT NO. 613124 was pulled from the Consent Agenda and was heard as the second discussion item. (After the Expedite Item).

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

PJ FitzGerald from Development Service Department welcomed everyone and commented that this meeting is the second virtual meeting for Planning Commission with today's meeting using the new Teams platform. She thanked everyone for their patience, and she noted that all material for today's meeting was posted on the Planning Commission's website.

**COMMISSION COMMENT**

Vice-Chairperson Hofman commented on living in a difficult time. He wanted to thank all Planning Commissioners on how they have responded to this and the staff, in particular PJ FitzGerald for all her efforts in making the process easier for the Commissioners during this difficult time.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

ITEM-3: ***Expedite***  
***Appeal of Development Services Department's decision on February 25, 2020***  
**PEARL STREET MIXED USE – PROJECT NO. 638970**

City Council District: 1                      Plan Area: La Jolla

Staff: William Zounes

Testimony in favor of the project by David Bourne, Russ Murfey and Sonja Trauss.

Testimony in opposition by Tyler Hee.

NOTE: Public Comments were read into the record by Assistant Deputy Director PJ FitzGerald. In opposition to the project submitted by Barbara ZoBell, Michael Dessent, and Francesca McNally.

Note: Public comments submitted after 5 p.m. by Bambi Merryweather, Leslie Anderson, Jacqui McNally, Anna Palmer, and David Little.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WHALEN APPROVING THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS TO DENY THE APPEAL AND AFFIRM THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICE DEPARTMENT'S DECISION TO APPROVE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 2356322. Seconded by Commissioner Boomhower. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0-1 with Commissioners Moden, Hofman, Granowitz, Boomhower, Otsuji, and Whalen voting yea and with Commissioner Austin recusing.

ITEM-4: ***Appeal of Development Services Department's decision on February 19, 2020***  
**SUGARMAN SDP – PROJECT NO. 625569**

City Council District: 1                      Plan Area: La Jolla

Staff: Xavier Del Valle

No public testimony on this item.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WHALEN TO CONTINUE ITEM 4 SUGARMAN SDP – PROJECT NO. 625569 TO MAY 14, 2020. Seconded by Commissioner Granowitz. The motion passed by a vote of 5-2 with Commissioners Whalen, Otsuji, Granowitz, Moden, and Austin voting yea, and Commissioners Boomhower and Hofman voting nay.