

CITY OF FOUNTAIN VALLEY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
10200 SLATER AVENUE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2020

REGULAR MEETING

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CALL TO ORDER: Chair Spear called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Chair Spear announced the city's COVID-19 health and safety instructions for anyone wishing to attend a commission meeting in person and instructions on how to submit comments by email up until the close of the public hearing item.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Chair Spear led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Gaston, Saad, Osborn, Spear

ABSENT: Farrell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- June 10, 2020

Action: Approve the Planning Commission meeting minutes of June 10, 2020, as submitted.

Motion: Osborn **Second:** Gaston

AYES: Gaston, Osborn, Spear

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Saad

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS

- Item 5 – Orange County Sanitation District - Changes to Conditions of Approval, pages 1 through 6.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Chair Spear announced the city's COVID-19 health and safety instructions for anyone wishing how to submit comments by email up until the close of the public hearing item.

1. Code Amendment No. 19-10 – Crossings Specific Plan

An Amendment to the Fountain Valley Crossings Specific Plan pertaining to the following: allocation of residential units, allowance of residential on the ground floor, setbacks, CEQA requirements, requirements for gym's and entertainment & recreation uses and additional minor edits. The City of Fountain Valley has completed an Addendum to the Crossings Specific Plan Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR) for the proposed amendments. The Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider the adequacy of the Addendum and the merits of the proposed amendments to the existing approved Specific Plan.

Chair Spear opened the public hearing. Senior Planner Matt Jenkins presented the staff report and answered questions from the commissioners. No public comments received by email and no one in the audience wished to speak on this item. Chair Spear closed the public hearing.

Action: Adopt Alternative #1 and recommend that the City Council approve the request.

Motion: Saad Second: Osborn
AYES: Gaston, Osborn, Saad, Spear
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

2. Code Amendment No. 20-05 – 20 Day Appeal Period

An amendment to FVMC sections 21.08.060, 21.24.090, 21.28.090, 21.54.030, 21.60.050, 18.08.120, and 8.51.110 to change the 20 day appeal period for land use decisions to a ten day appeal period and clarify that the period is calendar days. This request is exempt from environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15060(c)(2) and 15061(b)(3).

Chair Spear opened the public hearing. Principal Planner Steven Ayers presented the staff report and answered questions from the commissioners. No public comments received by email and no one in the audience wished to speak on this item. Chair Spear closed the public hearing.

Action: Adopt Alternative #1 and recommend that the City Council approve the request.

Motion: Saad Second: Gaston
AYES: Gaston, Osborn, Saad, Spear
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

3. Variance No. 333 – Orange County Water District (OCWD)

Petition submitted by OCWD to install a security fence at 18700 Ward Street. The fence will be located along the Ellis Avenue and Ward Street property lines, within the required 20-foot setback, and will be up to 9.5 feet tall, exceeding the maximum 8-foot height requirement. This request is exempt from environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303.

Chair Spear opened the public hearing. Principal Planner Steven Ayers presented the staff report and answered questions from the commissioners. No public comments received by email and no one in the audience wished to speak on this item. Applicant OCWD Engineer Fernando Almario was present to answer questions from the commissioners. Planning Director Brian James distributed fence samples to the commissioners. Chair Spear closed the public hearing.

Action: Adopt Alternative #1 and recommend that the City Council approve the request.

Motion: Gaston Second: Saad

AYES: Saad, Osborn, Spear, Gaston

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

4. Variance No. 335 – Nguyen Residence – 10442 Warner Avenue

Petition submitted by Jessica Nguyen to deviate from the front yard landscape/hardscape requirements to install a new circular driveway at 10442 Warner Avenue. This request is exempt from environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301.

Chair Spear opened the public hearing. Principal Planner Steven Ayers presented the staff report and answered questions from the commissioners. No public comments received by email and no one in the audience wished to speak on this item. Chair Spear closed the public hearing.

Action: Adopt Alternative #1 approving this request.

Motion: Saad Second: Osborn

AYES: Gaston Osborn, Saad, Spear

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Development Review No. 20-02 - OCSD South Perimeter Improvements - 10844 Ellis

Petition submitted by Orange County Sanitation District to build a new west wall, new landscaping along west side of property, new guard shack and gates on the south side of the property, utility improvements.

Chair Spear opened the public hearing. Principal Planner Steven Ayers presented the staff report and answered questions from the commissioners. No public comments received by email and no one in the audience wished to speak on this item. Chair Spear closed the public hearing.

Action: Adopt Alternative #1 approving this request.

Motion: Saad Second: Gaston

AYES: Gaston, Osborn, Saad, Spear

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

COMMENTS FROM STAFF

None.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

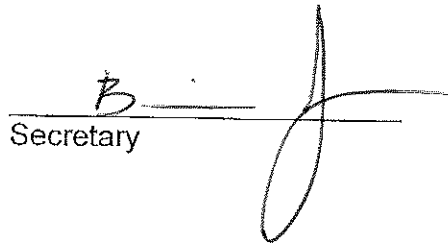
Commissioners agreed that it is nice to see changes made in Crossings to get the area developed as times goes on to make the city better.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Spear adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m. to the next scheduled Planning Commission meeting of September 9, 2020.

APPROVED


Chairperson


Secretary