

PARAMOUNT PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES AUGUST 9, 2022

City of Paramount, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Gordon Weisenburger at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS

Present: Commissioner Alicia Anderson
Commissioner Ernie Esparza
Chair Gordon Weisenburger

Absent: None

STAFF PRESENT: John Cavanaugh, City Attorney
John Carver, Planning Director
John King, Assistant Planning Director
Johnnie Rightmer, Building and Safety Manager
Sol Bejarano, Management Analyst
Ivan Reyes, Associate Planner
Andrew Farias, Planning Intern
Valerie Zaragoza, Administrative Assistant

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Chair Weisenburger presented the Planning Commission minutes of July 13, 2022 for approval.

It was moved by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Esparza, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioners Anderson and Esparza, Chair Weisenburger

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. **OATH OF OFFICE** Planning Department Administrative Assistant Valerie Zaragoza administered the Oath of Office to Commissioners Javier Gonzalez and David Moody who were appointed by the City Council on July 19, 2022.

3. REORGANIZATION
SELECTION OF
CHAIR AND VICE
CHAIR

Administrative Assistant/Minute Clerk Valerie Zaragoza opened the nominations for the office of Planning Commission Chair. Commissioner Ernie Esparza nominated Commissioner Gordon Weisenburger. There being no further nominations, nominations were closed.

The roll call vote for Commissioner Weisenburger to serve as Planning Commission Chair:

AYES: Commissioners Anderson, Esparza, Gonzalez, Moody and Weisenburger

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Commissioner Gordon Weisenburger was declared Planning Commission Chair.

Chair Weisenburger opened nominations for the office of Planning Commission Vice Chair. Commissioner Ernie Esparza nominated Commissioner Alicia Anderson. There being no further nominations, nominations were closed.

The roll call vote for Commissioner Anderson to serve as Planning Commission Vice Chair:

AYES: Commissioners Anderson, Esparza, Gonzalez and Moody, Chair Weisenburger

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Commissioner Alicia Anderson was declared Planning Commission Vice Chair.

NEW BUSINESS

REPORTS

4. ZONING ORDINANCE
TEXT AMENDMENT
NO. 27

Chair Weisenburger presented the item, a request to establish density bonus regulations for affordable housing projects citywide.

Planning Director John Carver introduced Assistant Planning Director John King who presented an overview of the request.

Chair Weisenburger opened the public hearing and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of the request.

There being no one wishing to speak in favor of the request, Chair Weisenburger asked if there was anyone who wished to speak in opposition to the request.

Seeing no one wishing to speak in opposition to the request, it was moved by Vice Chair Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez, to close the public hearing. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioners Esparza, Gonzalez and
Moody, Vice Chair Anderson, Chair
Weisenburger

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Commissioner Gonzalez, seconded by Commissioner Esparza, to read by title only and adopt Planning Commission Resolution No. PC 22:019, approving the request. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioners Esparza, Gonzalez and
Moody, Vice Chair Anderson, Chair
Weisenburger

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

5. CITY COUNCIL
ACTIONS

Planning Director John Carver stated that there were no items discussed that pertained to the Planning Commission.

6. COMMENTS FROM
CITY ATTORNEY,
COMMISSIONERS
AND STAFF

City Attorney John Cavanaugh congratulated and welcomed newly appointed Commissioners Gonzalez and Moody. Planning Director John Carver also welcomed the newly appointed Commissioners and announced the opportunity for all Planning Commissioners to attend the Institute for Local Government's Planning Commissioners Training in September or the second session in November. Mr. Carver stated that it was a great opportunity, not only for new Commissioners, but all Commissioners to attend and stated that participation is highly encouraged.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Weisenburger at 6:24 p.m. to the next Planning Commission meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, at City Hall Council Chambers, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California at 6:00 p.m.

/s/ Gordon Weisenburger

Gordon Weisenburger, Chair

ATTEST:

/s/ Valerie Zaragoza

Valerie Zaragoza, Administrative Assistant