

## **PARAMOUNT PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES MAY 7, 2025**

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

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**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 Chamber, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

**ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS:** Present: Commissioner Ernie Esparza  
Commissioner Javier Gonzalez  
Vice Chair Linda Timmons  
Chair Gordon Weisenburger

Absent: Commissioner David Moody

**STAFF PRESENT:** Lindsay Thorson, Planning Commission Attorney  
John King, Planning Director  
Rick Baptista, Building and Safety Manager  
Sol Bejarano, Management Analyst  
Ivan Reyes, Associate Planner  
Leslie Corrales, Assistant Planner  
Biana Salgado, Administrative Assistant

It was moved by Commissioner Gonzalez, seconded by Vice Chair Timmons, to excuse Commissioner Moody from the Planning Commission meeting. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Commissioners Esparza and Gonzalez,  
Vice Chair Timmons, Chair Weisenburger

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Moody

**ABSTAIN:** None

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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There were none.

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1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Chair Weisenburger presented the Paramount City Council/Planning Commission minutes of a joint meeting on March 25, 2025 for approval.

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

AYES: Commissioners Esparza and Gonzalez,  
Vice Chair Timmons, Chair Weisenburger  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Commissioner Moody  
ABSTAIN: None

2. APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES

Chair Weisenburger presented the Planning Commission minutes of April 2, 2025 for approval.

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

AYES: Commissioners Esparza and Gonzalez,  
Vice Chair Timmons, Chair Weisenburger  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Commissioner Moody  
ABSTAIN: None

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**NEW BUSINESS**

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**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. ZONING ORDINANCE  
TEXT AMENDMENT  
NO. 35

Chair Weisenburger presented the item, a recommendation for the City Council of the City of Paramount to approve Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment No. 35, amending section 17.04.010 (Definitions) and repealing and replacing Chapter 17.112 of Title 17 of the Paramount Municipal Code in its entirety to establish revised regulations for art in publicly accessible places in the City of Paramount.

Planning Director John King introduced Management Analyst Sol Bejarano who presented an overview of the request.

There was further discussion between the Planning Commission and staff regarding the item.

Chair Weisenburger opened the public hearing. Planning Director John King stated that there were no comment cards submitted in favor or opposed to the request.

There being no comments in favor or opposed to the request, it was moved by Commissioner Esparza, seconded by Vice Chair Timmons, to close the public hearing. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioners Esparza and Gonzalez,  
Vice Chair Timmons, Chair Weisenburger  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Commissioner Moody  
ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Commissioner Esparza, seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez, to read by title only, waive further reading, and adopt Planning Commission Resolution No. PC 25:003, approving the request. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioners Esparza and Gonzalez,  
Vice Chair Timmons, Chair Weisenburger  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Commissioner Moody  
ABSTAIN: None

## **REPORTS**

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4. CITY COUNCIL  
ACTIONS

Planning Director John King stated that the City Council approved Ordinance No. 1197/Zone Change No. 249 to allow for the construction of four homes at 15539 Colorado Avenue (previously known as the Firehouse property).

The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1198/Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment No. 28, a comprehensive zoning update which includes minor changes to modernize the Paramount Municipal Code and minor changes to bring the City in compliance with our housing element.

Following the joint meeting with the Planning Commission on March 25, 2025, the City Council held several follow up meetings to clarify and reach a consensus on the allowable density regarding the Clearwater Specific Plan.

There was further discussion between the Planning Commission and staff regarding the Clearwater Specific Plan and the City Council's direction.

5. COMMENTS FROM  
CITY ATTORNEY,  
COMMISSIONERS  
AND STAFF

There were none.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Weisenburger at 6.38 p.m. to the next Planning Commission meeting to be held on Wednesday, June 4, 2025 at City Hall Council Chamber, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California at 6:00 p.m.

*/s/ Gordon Weisenburger*

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Gordon Weisenburger, Chair

ATTEST:

*/s/ Biana Salgado*

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Biana Salgado, Administrative Assistant

APPROVED: June 4, 2025

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