



MINUTES

CITY OF LAWDALE, CALIFORNIA

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAWDALE, CALIFORNIA

August 24, 2016

6:30 PM

**City Council Chambers
14717 Burin Avenue
Lawndale, California 90260**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Moller called the regular meeting of the Lawndale Planning Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Lawndale City Council Chambers, 14717 Burin Avenue, Lawndale, California.

B. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Chairperson Moller
Vice Chairperson Cordova
Commissioner Cuevas
Commissioner Smith
Commissioner Martinez

Staff Members Present: Associate Planner Wilson
Assistant City Attorney Huston

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chairperson Cuevas led those assembled in a salute to the flag.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Councilmember Pat Kearney, City Council, congratulated and welcomed new and re-appointed commissioners.

Randall Abram, Lawndale Resident, gave an update on a presentation given at the last City Council meeting by the developer working with the City on the project at the corner of Hawthorne Blvd. and Manhattan Beach Blvd. **Mr. Abram** mentioned that a hotel with a restaurant was proposed.

Jerry Finley, Lawndale Resident, stated that he also attended the last City Council meeting and stated that a hotel would be nice to have in the City.

Vice Chairperson Cordova asked if a hotel would be allowed in the RC Zone. **Planner Wilson** stated that he will look into it.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None

F. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

G. NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

H. REPORTS

Discussion on Medical Office Uses – **Planner Wilson** presented a report on Medical Office Uses within the City of Lawndale, which included a survey of surrounding cities.

The **Planning Commission** held a general discussion on this item.

Randall Abram, Lawndale Resident asked if the Planning Commission would consider putting a cap on the number of medical office uses that are allowed. **Planner Wilson** stated if there was a cap put in place, the existing offices would be allowed to continue.

Pam London, Lawndale Resident asked if the parking space requirement of (1) space per every 200 sq. ft. includes employee parking. **Planner Wilson** stated that it does include employee parking. **Ms. London** stated her concern with drawing retail businesses to the City. **Ms. London** stated that the parking requirement for medical office uses needs to be reviewed.

Attorney Huston stated that the cap may require justification since it could bring up legal issues.

Chairperson Moller asked for the average vacancy rate in the City.

I. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Planner Wilson stated that staff is considering cancelling the Planning Commission meeting of September 14, 2016 due to lack of items.

Chairperson Moller made a motion to cancel the Planning Commission meeting of September 14, 2016 due to lack of items. **Commissioner Martinez** seconded the motion.

Motion carried Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 0

Commissioner Martinez thanked Attorney Huston for the ethics training of August 23, 2016.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Moller adjourned this meeting at 7:10 p.m. to the next Planning Commission meeting of **Wednesday, September 28, 2016.**

Uffe Moller, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Christopher Wilson, Associate Planner on behalf of
Sean M. Moore, AICP
Community Development Director
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