

**CITY OF DANA POINT
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

March 12, 2012
6:00 – 6:45 p.m.

City Hall Offices
Council Chamber (#210)
33282 Golden Lantern
Dana Point, CA 92629

CALL TO ORDER – Chairwoman O'Connor called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Christy Teague, Economic Development Manager led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Liz Claus, Vice-Chairman Norman Denton, Commissioner Gary Newkirk, Chairwoman April O'Connor, and Commissioner Tarquin Preziosi

Staff Present: Kyle Butterwick (Director), John Tilton (City Architect/Planning Manager), Jennifer Farrell (Deputy City Attorney), Christy Teague (Economic Development Manager), and Denise Jacobo (Planning Secretary)

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ITEM 1: Minutes of the regular Planning Commission Meeting of February 27, 2012.

ACTION: Motion made (Denton) and seconded (Claus) to approve the Minutes of the regular Planning Commission Meeting of February 27, 2012. Motion carried 4-0-1. (AYES: Claus, Denton, O'Connor, Preziosi NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: Newkirk)

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments.

C. CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no items on the Consent Calendar.

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D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Public Hearings.

E. NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 2: Annual Housing Element Progress Report

Presented by Christy Teague (Economic Development Manager)

Location: Citywide

Request: To review the Annual Housing Element Progress Report for 2011 as required by State Law to show progress on the General Plan Housing Element.

Recommendation: That the Planning Commission review the 2011 Annual Housing Element Progress Report.

Christy Teague (Economic Development Manager) provided an overview of the progress report.

Chairwoman O'Connor acknowledged the Planning Commission has reviewed, received and filed the 2011 Annual Housing Element Progress Report as required by State law.

F. STAFF REPORTS

Kyle Butterwick (Director) gave an update on several projects.

- The City has received the California Coastal Commission's final approval of the zone change for the Makar Property located on Del Obispo and Pacific Coast Highway. He stated that their suggested modifications to the Conditions of Approval are still being worked out.
- An Environmental Impact Report for the Doheny Hotel is close to being released for a 45-day public review period.
- South Shores Church has filed their revised geotechnical plan with major revisions to their project which may move forward within the next six months.

He extended a thank you and acknowledgement to the Harbor Director, Brad Gross (seated in the audience) for all of his efforts on behalf of the City as he worked on the organization and coordination with the City on the recent Festival of Whales Event.

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G. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Preziosi followed up on his recent comments at the last meeting with regards to the Sea Canyon access issue. He thanked City Staff for their quick response in having resolved the issues.

Vice-Chairman Denton agreed with Mr. Butterwick, and offered kudos to the Harbor and to the City for a great Festival of Whales event. He pointed out the VIPs directing traffic safely, and it was good to see them participating all around.

Commissioner Claus stated that the Festival of Whales Event was remarkable and that the parade was the best that there has been in years. She noted that the Baby Beach event had three wonderful bands with the bandstand sitting in the water and she was pleased to see people enjoying the City at its best.

Commissioner Newkirk echoed Mr. Tilton's sentiment and appreciated the dedication of the baseball field in honor of Gene Burrus (the leagues play-by-play announcer). He noted that as nice as the monument is, the real treasure is Mr. Burrus. He urged everyone to see the monument and Mr. Burrus.

Chairwoman O'Connor stated that she plans on being out of town April 9, 2012 for spring break.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman O'Connor announced that the *next* meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Monday, March 26, 2012, beginning at 6:00 p.m. (or as soon thereafter) in the City Council Chamber located at 33282 Golden Lantern, Suite 210, Dana Point, California.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

April O'Connor, Chairwoman
Planning Commission