

**CITY OF DANA POINT
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR ADJOURNED MEETING ACTIONS**

November 18, 2013
5:05 – 9:00 p.m.

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

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Newkirk called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Vice-Chairwoman Liz Claus, Commissioner Denton, Chairman Gary Newkirk, Commissioner April O'Connor, and Commissioner Susan Whittaker

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Newkirk recessed the Planning Commission meeting to a Closed Session at 5:06 p.m.

- A. Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation, significant exposure to litigation, Government Code § 54956.9 (b), (1 case)

RECONVENE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Chairman Newkirk reconvened the Planning Commission meeting at 5:37 p.m. with all members present.

Staff Present: Ursula Luna-Reynosa (Director of Community Development), John Tilton (City Architect/Planning Manager), Brad Fowler (Director of Public Works), Jennifer Farrell (Assistant City Attorney), Christy Teague (Economic Development Manager), Saima Qureshy (Senior Planner), Erica Demkowicz (Senior Planner), DyAnne Weamire (Administrative Secretary), and Denise Jacobo (Planning Secretary)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Vice-Chairwoman Claus led the Pledge of Allegiance.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Jennifer Farrell (Deputy City Attorney) stated that they had nothing to report.

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A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ITEM 1: Minutes of the regular Planning Commission Meeting of October 28, 2013.

ACTION: Motion made (Denton) and seconded (O'Connor) to approve the Minutes of the regular Planning Commission Meeting of October 28, 2013. Motion carried 4-0-1. (AYES: Denton, Newkirk, O'Connor, Whittaker NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: Claus)

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments.

C. CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no items on the Consent Calendar.

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Public Hearing items scheduled.

E. PUBLIC MEETINGS – STUDY SESSIONS

ITEM 2: Study Session on Parking Management Plan for Town Center Area Presented by Nelson Nygaard Consulting Associates.

Applicant/

Owner: City of Dana Point

Location: Town Center Plan Area

Recommendation: That the Planning Commission receive and file the presentation and provide input to Staff and the Consultant in the preparation of a Parking Management Plan for the Town Center Area.

There were six (6) requests to speak on this item.

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Chairman Newkirk recessed the Planning Commission meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Chairman Newkirk reconvened the Planning Commission meeting at 6:57 p.m.

ITEM 3: Study Session on the Doheny Hotel Project.

Applicant/

Owner: Michael Draz/Beverly Hills Hospitality Group

Location: 25325 Dana Point Harbor Drive, 34297 and 34292 Pacific Coast Highway

Recommendation: That the Planning Commission receive and file the presentation and ask questions or request clarification of any aspect of the project that will assist in future deliberations of the project.

There were eight (8) requests to speak on this item.

F. NEW BUSINESS

There were no New Business items.

G. STAFF REPORTS

There were no Staff Reports.

H. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner O'Connor reported that she went to Lantern Bay Park to see the overall display of the Elephant Parade this past weekend and noted there was good music and food, and is proud to live in Dana Point.

Vice-Chairwoman Claus stated that in addition to the Elephant Parade, she saw the approved public art project “Offshore (Kelp) Forest” at Lantern Bay Park and encouraged everyone to see the art piece.

Commissioner Denton reported that he watched a news program that covered the story about the elephants in Asia, and the show televised our City’s golf courses, parks, and beaches a number of times but they, not once, mentioned Dana Point by name.

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Chairman Newkirk thanked everyone who attended the meeting, and stated how important it is to attend City meetings.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Newkirk announced that the November 25, 2013 meeting of the Planning Commission has been cancelled due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. The *next regular* meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Monday, December 9, 2013, 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 9:00 p.m.