

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOMITA PLANNING COMMISSION
MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2019
6:00 PM**

1. OPENING CEREMONIES

a. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Dever called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Lomita City Hall, 24300 Narbonne Avenue, Lomita, CA 90717.

b. Flag Salute

At the request of Chair Dever, Commissioner Santos led the flag salute.

c. Roll Call

Responding to the roll call by Deputy City Clerk Abbott were Commissioners Santos, Thompson, Vice-Chair Cammarata, and Chair Dever.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS: Santos, Thompson, Vice Chair Cammarata, and Chair Dever

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: Graf, Popelka, and Waite

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** April 8, 2019 and June 10, 2019.

Vice-Chair Cammarata made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Santos, to approve the minutes for the April 8, 2019 meeting.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: Santos, Vice-Chair Cammarata, and Chair Dever

NOES: COMMISSIONERS: None

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: Graf, Popelka, and Waite

RECUSE: COMMISSIONERS: Thompson

Vice-Chair Cammarata made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Santos, to approve the minutes for the June 10, 2019 meeting.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: Santos, Thompson, Vice-Chair Cammarata, and Chair Dever
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: None
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: Graf, Popelka, and Waite
RECUSE: COMMISSIONERS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. **Site Plan Review No. 1200**, a request for a Site Plan Review to permit a 531-square-foot, a single-story addition to a 1,000 -square-foot, detached garage, located at 2338 246th Street in the Residential Single-Family Zone (R-1) Zone. Filed by Greg Bloomstadt, 2338 246th Street, Lomita, CA 90717 (the "Applicant").

APPLICANT: Greg Bloomstadt, 2338 246th Street, Lomita, CA 90717

PRESENTED BY: Laura MacMorran, Assistant City Planner

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Continue this item to the September 9, 2019 Planning Commission meeting

Commissioner Thompson made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Cammarata, to continue this item to the September 9, 2019 Planning Commission meeting.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: Santos, Thompson, Vice-Chair Cammarata, and Chair Dever
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: None
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: Graf, Popelka, and Waite
RECUSE: COMMISSIONERS: None

5. **Zone Text Amendment 2019-02**, a recommendation of an ordinance amending Section 11-1.49.06 (K) – Standards of Development and adding a new Section 11-1.49.07 – Downtown Design Standards to the Lomita Municipal Code. Initiated by the City of Lomita.

APPLICANT: City of Lomita

PRESENTED BY: Alicia Velasco, Community and Economic Development Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt resolution recommending City Council approval

Director Velasco stated that minimal changes were made to the ordinance according to the recommendations of the Commission at the June 10, 2019 meeting.

Commissioner Thompson asked for clarification regarding the elimination of the use of neon signage. Director Velasco responded that it could be a distraction to drivers and is consistent with the existing sign requirements in the Code.

Chair Dever opened the public hearing. As no one from the public wished to comment, the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Cammarata, to adopt the resolution recommending City Council approval.

RESOLUTION NO. PC 2019-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOMITA, RECOMMENDING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT 2019-02, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 11-1.49.06 (K) – STANDARDS OF DEVELOPMENT AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 11-1.49.07 – DOWNTOWN DESIGN STANDARDS TO THE LOMITA MUNICIPAL CODE. INITIATED BY THE CITY OF LOMITA.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: Santos, Thompson, Vice-Chair Cammarata, and Chair Dever
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: None
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: Graf, Popelka, and Waite
RECUSE: COMMISSIONERS: None

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

6. COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS

Director Velasco stated that tonight's zone text amendment recommendation, as well as a draft downtown parking plan, would be heard by the City Council at the September 3, 2019 meeting.

OTHER MATTERS

7. STAFF ITEMS – ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director Velasco stated that James Dotson was hired as the new Planning Intern, and that he would be introduced at the next meeting.

8. PLANNING COMMISSIONER ITEMS

Chair Dever remarked about weeds growing across the sidewalk at a recent construction site on Eshelman Avenue. Director Velasco stated that City staff would address the issue.

Commissioner Thompson shared his concern that overgrown eucalyptus trees are creating a hazard on the parkway along Ebony Lane. Director Velasco stated that she would address the issue.

9. COMMISSIONERS TO ATTEND CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Commissioner Santos will attend the City Council meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, and Commissioner Thompson will attend the City Council meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2019.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'L. Abbott', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Linda E. Abbott, Deputy City Clerk