

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES OF APRIL 9, 2013 MEETING CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION. AUDIO OF THE ACTUAL MEETING ARE AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Theale Haupt at 7:04 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Chairperson T. Haupt

ROLL CALL

The following persons were recorded as present:

PRESENT:

Chairperson Theale Haupt, Vice-Chair Alvin Durham, Commissioners Kevin Beaulieu, Yvonne G. Mejia, and Rudy Salinas

ABSENT:

None

ALSO PRESENT:

City Planner Fred Ramirez, Assistant Planner Edgar Arroyo, City Attorney Isabel Birrueta, and Community Development Secretary Michelle De Santiago

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice-chair A. Durham moved to approve the agenda of April 9, 2013. Seconded by Commissioner R. Salinas, the motion carried with the following vote:

AYES:	A. Durham, R. Salinas, K. Beaulieu, T. Haupt and Y. Mejia
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

PUBLIC STATEMENTS:

Esther Schiller from Smokefree Air For Everyone (S.A.F.E.) read a press release from November 2011 and provided the members in attendance with results from a survey conducted in the City of San Fernando. She stated that she would like the Planning and Preservation Commission to place the smoking ordinance on the agenda to allow for discussion and questions.

Luz Chavez – Ms. Chavez stated that her sister-in-law died of a smoking related illness and she too would like the commission to agendize the smoking ordinance to educate the smokers and non-smokers of the dangers.

Julie Cuellar – Ms. Cuellar indicated that she has three sons who suffer from asthma and she informed the commission of the billion of dollars spent of health care cost associated with smoking illnesses or second-hand smoke illnesses. She expressed how serious the issue is and asked the commission to agendize the item. Additionally she informed staff that the construction crew continues to work on Sundays on the Park Avenue project.

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Helen Arriola – Ms. Arriola work at North East Valley Health Corporation and stated that they have a smoking cessation program and she was present at tonight's meeting to lend her support to Ms. Schiller and she asked the commission to consider the placing the smoking ordinance on the agenda to allow for open discussion.

Genoveva Rodriguez – 916 Seventh Street, San Fernando, CA 91340 – Ms. Rodriguez came to voice her concern against the approval of the development of an apartment building on Seventh Street near Maclay.

Rodolfo Salinas – 1035 N. Macneil Street, San Fernando, CA 91340 – Mr. Salinas expressed his objection to the development at 1101 Seventh Street. His concern was that there is limited parking in the area and that an apartment building would just make matters worse. He asked staff to look into the reason why he cannot park on his own street with it being too narrow and no parking is allowed.

Chairperson Haupt asked staff to work with the audience members and address their concerns regarding the development on Seventh Street.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Vice-chair A. Durham moved to approve the Consent Calendar with the amendment that the minutes from the March 5, 2013 meeting to be considered at the May 7, 2013 Planning and Preservation Commission meeting. Seconded by Commissioner R. Salinas, the motion carried with the following vote:

AYES:	A. Durham, R. Salinas, K. Beaulieu, T. Haupt, and Y.
	Mejia
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

City Attorney Isabel Birrueta provided handout and gave a power point presentation on the Role and Responsibility of a Planning Commissioner. City Attorney Birrueta and city staff responded to questions from the Commission.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS None

COMMISSION COMMENTS None

PUBLIC STATEMENTS None **ADJOURNMENT**: Vice-chair A. Durham moved to adjourn to May 7, 2013. Second by Commissioner K. Beaulieu, the motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: A. Durham, K. Beaulieu, T. Haupt, Y. Mejia, and R. Salinas
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

9:48 P.M. Fred Ramirez Planning Commission Secretary