

**MINUTES OF THE  
MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA**

**Tuesday  
July 15, 2008  
7:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Santa Clarita was called to order by Chair Berger at 7:14 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, California.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Commissioner Ostrom led the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL**

Chair Berger and Commissioners Burkhart, Kennedy, Ostrom, and Trautman were all present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Commissioner Burkhart and seconded by Commissioner Ostrom to approve the agenda. Said motion was passed by a vote of 5-0.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 1, 2008 REGULAR MEETING**

A motion was made by Commissioner Kennedy and seconded by Commissioner Burkhart to approve the minutes of the July 1, 2008 regular meeting. Said motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**ITEM 1      MASTER CASE NO. 08-103, UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE  
                 AMENDMENT 08-003 (HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW)**

Alex Hernandez, Administrative Analyst, gave the staff report and computer slide presentation.

The Commission and staff discussed how the list of potential sites was determined, how many of the sites on the list were homes, issues with permit fees, and the potential impacts to property owners.

The public hearing was opened at 7:38 p.m.

Alan Pollack, representing the Santa Clarita Historical Society, Duane Harte, Carol Rock, Lynne Plambeck, and Leon Worden spoke in support of the proposed amendment.

Mary Hodson, Fr. Dominic Radechi, representing Queen of Angels Church, Robert Comer, Norman Harris, and Cynthia Neal-Harris spoke in opposition to the proposed amendment.

One written comment was received in opposition to the proposed amendment.

The Commission made closing comments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Burkhart and seconded by Commissioner Trautman to adopt Resolution P08-16, recommending that the City Council adopt the Negative Declaration prepared for the project and approve Master Case 08-103, consisting of Unified Development Code Amendment 08-003, adding a section for Historic Preservation Review, with an amendment to waive the minor use permit fee for owner-occupied residences, and a request that staff expedite the process to establish a Historic Preservation Ordinance. A roll call vote was taken. Said motion was passed by a vote of 4-1.

## **PLANNING MANAGER'S REPORT**

Lisa Webber, Planning Manager, gave the Planning Manager's report. Ms. Webber provided the Commission with a recap of the public hearing held on the 2008 UDC Amendments before the City Council on July 8, 2008. At this meeting, the Council conducted a first reading and passed the item to a second reading for the August 26, 2008, City Council meeting. Ms. Webber noted that since the Commission's review, there were a few changes to the adopted amendments related to the telecommunications definition, compliance with state and additional noticing requirements for CUP and MUP requests. Ms. Webber informed the Commission that a Housing Element community meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 22, 2008 at the Newhall Community Center.

Ms. Webber reported that the City Council has reappointed Bill Kennedy and appointed Dee Dee Jacobson to the Planning Commission. Both will be sworn in prior to the September 2, 2008 regular meeting.

Ms. Webber advised the Commission they have one more meeting on July 29, 2008 before their summer break. This will also be Chair Berger's last meeting as a member of the Commission and there will be a small celebration in his honor, prior to that evening's meeting.

## **PLANNING COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

There were no Planning Commissioner reports.

## **PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Allan Cameron recognized Chair Berger for his service and dedication to the community as a member of the Planning Commission.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ostrom and seconded by Commissioner Trautman to adjourn the meeting. Said motion was approved by a vote of 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

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Michael Berger, Chairperson  
Planning Commission

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Lisa M. Webber, AICP, Planning Manager  
Community Development

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