



# MINUTES LA MESA PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

Approved June 6, 2018

The La Mesa Planning Commission held a meeting on Wednesday, May 2, 2018, in the La Mesa City Council Chambers located at 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California.

The Agenda for this meeting was posted on April 26, 2018, at 10:30 a.m., on the Bulletin Board next to the entrance to the City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California.

Planning Commission members present were Chairman Newland, Vice Chair Alvey, Commissioners Hottel, Kanavel, Podeswik, and Torpey.

Staff members present were Director of Community Development Kerry Kusiak, Associate Planner Allyson Kinnard, Associate Planner Howard Lee, and Assistant City Attorney Gregory Lusitana.

Item 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Item 2. Commissioner Newland gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 3. Deletions from Agenda/Urgent Additions to the Agenda/Additions to the Next Agenda - None.

Item 4. Public Discussion and Audience Participation - None

Item 5. Procedural Rules of Conduct for Hearings – Commissioner Kanavel read the procedures for public hearings.

## **Item 6. HEARINGS**

**6a. Conditional Use Permit 17-101 and Special Permit SP 17-07 (SAS Development, LLC)** – Consideration of a new coffee shop including an outdoor seating area and drive-through on a vacant site addressed as 4209 Spring Street in the CN-P-D-MU (Neighborhood Commercial / Scenic Preservation Overlay / Urban Design Overlay / Mixed Use Overlay) zone.

Mr. Lee presented the staff report.

The public hearing was opened.

In favor:

- Shawn Schraeger
- Ken McKently

In opposition: None

The public hearing was closed.

The Commissioners discussed the project.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Torpey made a motion to approve Conditional Use Permit 17-101 and Special Permit SP 17-07, subject to conditions listed in the staff report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Podeswik. Motion carried 5 in favor and 1 opposed (Kanavel). Commissioner Tetlow was absent.

#### Item 7. BUSINESS

7a. Approval of the minutes from the March 21, 2018 Planning Commission meeting.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Alvey made a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hottel. Motion carried 6 in favor and 0 opposed. Commissioner Tetlow was absent.

7b. Assignment of next invocation: Invocation – Commissioner Kanavel  
Procedural Rules – Commissioner Tetlow

#### **Item 8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Commissioners shared their experiences from the recent Planning Commissioners Academy. Commissioners Hottel and Alvey attended a session on public records requests (PRA's), at which concerns surrounding the use of personal email accounts for City business was discussed.

Mr. Kusiak reported on the outcome of three medical marijuana conditional use permit appeals affecting two projects that were considered by the City Council on April 24<sup>th</sup>. One of the appeals was granted, based on proximity to a minor oriented use as interpreted by the Council.

Mr. Kusiak announced that there will not be a meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Staff has been busy responding to public records requests associated with medical marijuana conditional use permit applications. A meeting is anticipated for June 6<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Allyson Kinnard  
Associate Planner