



## LA MESA PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday, May 20, 2020  
7:00 PM

**La Mesa City Hall Council Chambers**  
**8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa**

The La Mesa Planning Commission held a Zoom meeting on Wednesday, May 20, 2020.

The Agenda for this meeting was posted on May 14, 2020 at 3:30 pm, 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 Torpey, Vice Chair Tetlow, Commissioners Hottel, Kanavel, Kelly, and Newland. Commissioner Podeswik was absent.

Staff members present were Director of Community Development Kerry Kusiak, Senior Planner Allyson Kinnard, Assistant Planner Daniela Trujillo, Contract Planner Emery Papp and Assistant City Attorney Lauren Hendrickson.

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

Item 2. Chairman Torpey 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:

**ACTION:** Commissioner Newland made a motion to waive the reading of the Procedural Rules. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hottel. Motion carried with 6 in favor and 0 opposed. Commissioner Podeswik was absent.

Item 6. Hearings

6a. Project No. 2019-17 (CUP 19-17) (Jackson Drive Group, Inc.) – A request to expand the floor space of an approved medical marijuana dispensary at 5555 Jackson Drive, adding two Suites, numbers 100 and 125 to the previously approved Suite numbers 150 and 175, in the General Commercial / Urban Design Overlay (C-D) zone.

Mr. Emery presented the staff report.

The public hearing was opened.

Those in favor:

- Kent Coston – Architect for the project

Those in opposition: None

The public hearing was closed.

The Commissioners discussed the project.

ACTION: Commissioner Newland made a motion to approve Project No. 2019-17 (CUP 19-17). The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Tetlow. Motion carried with 6 in favor and 0 opposed. Commissioner Podeswik was absent.

6b. Project No. 2019-26 (Huish) – Consideration of a special permit for an over height retaining wall at 9220 Bramble Road in the R1S-BT (Suburban Residential/Brier Tract Overlay) zone.

Ms. Trujillo presented the project.

The public hearing was opened.

Those in support:

- Shawn Huish - Applicant

Those in opposition: None

The public hearing was closed.

The Commissioners discussed the project.

ACTION: Commissioner Kanavel made a motion to approve Project No. 2019-26. The motion was seconded by Chairman Torpey. Motion carried with 6 in favor and 0 opposed. Commissioner Podeswik was absent.

6c. Project No. 2019-29 (Rainbow Investment Co.) – A request to amend an existing comprehensive sign program for Grossmont Center at 5500 Grossmont Center Drive in the C-G-D (General Commercial/Grossmont Specific Plan Overlay/Urban Design Overlay) zone.

Ms. Trujillo presented the project

The public hearing was opened.

Those in support: None

Those in opposition: None

The public hearing was closed.

The Commissioners discussed the project.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Newland made a motion to approve the draft resolution for Project No. 2019-29. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hottel. Motion carried with 6 in favor and 0 opposed. Commissioner Podeswik was absent.

Item 7. Business

7a. Extension of Tentative Tract Map TTM 05-11 (Zigman) – A request for a 12-month extension of an approved tentative tract map for a one-lot subdivision of property for a proposed mixed-use development at 8135 El Paso Street in the CN-D (Neighborhood Commercial / Urban Design Overlay) zone. Assessor's Parcel Number: 675-070-22-00

Ms. Kinnard presented the project

The public hearing was opened.

Those in support: Marvin Zigman

Those in opposition: None

The public hearing was closed.

The Commissioners discussed the project.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Newland made a motion to approve Project No. 2019-29 - Extension of Tentative Tract Map TTM 05-11. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tetlow. Motion carried with 6 in favor and 0 opposed. Commissioner Podeswik was absent.

7b. Approval of the January 15, 2020 minutes

**ACTION:** Commissioner Torpey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Kanavel. Motion carried with 4 in favor and 0 opposed. Newland and Torpey abstained. Commissioner Podeswik was absent.

7c. Assignment of next Invocation (Commissioner Hottel) and reading of Procedural Rules (Commissioner Kanavel).

Item 8. Informational Items: None

Item 9. Adjournment: 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cheryl Davis  
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