

MINUTES

**DRAFT – Until Approved by
the RPC 12/11/2024.
Prepared by:
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Meeting Place: In-Person: 320 W. Temple Street, Room 150, Los Angeles, CA 90012 Virtual (Online): <https://bit.ly/ZOOM-RPC> Webinar ID: 858 6032 6429 Or call by phone: (669) 444-9171 or (719) 359-4580

Meeting Date: November 13, 2024 - Wednesday Time: 9:26 a.m.

Present: Commissioners Duarte-White, Louie, O'Connor, Moon, Hastings

Ex Officio Members:

Director of Public Works: Ms. Aracely Lasso, Senior Civil Engineer

County Counsel: Ms. Kathy Park, Deputy County Counsel

Planning Director: Mr. Ed Rojas, Assistant Deputy Director Advance Planning Division

Mr. Mitch Glaser, Assistant Deputy Director Current Planning Division

Forester and Fire Warden: Mr. Juan Padilla, Supervising Fire Prevention Engineer

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Motion/seconded by Commissioners Moon/Hastings – That the agenda for November 13, 2024, be approved.

At the direction of the Chair, the agenda was approved unanimously.

COUNTY COUNSEL REPORT

2. County Counsel stated for the record that while this is an online meeting, it is a public meeting the same as if it were held in person in the Commission's hearing room and rules that allow for an orderly meeting shall apply. As such, when speaking on an agendized item, comments should address the item on the agenda and no other issues.

Similarly, if speaking during public comment, comments should be limited to issues related to the business of the Regional Planning Commission. If speakers do not remain on topic, they may be reminded by the Chair or myself to do so. Failure to discuss issues not related to the agendized item, may result in the loss of the right to

COUNTY COUNSEL REPORT (Cont.)

Speak on the item or other items, if directed by the Chair. In addition, speakers should refrain from conduct that is disruptive of the meeting. Doing so also could result in the loss of the right to speak on the agenda item or any other items.

Disruptive conduct can include, but is not limited to, threats made against other speakers, the Commission or its members, or any others participating in the meeting, profane comments not related to the agenda item, or disorderly or contemptuous behavior leading to a disruption of the orderly progression and holding of the meeting.

In such cases, the Chair will advise that the behavior is disruptive and direct that the speaker's microphone be disabled. That person may, however, continue to observe the meeting. Further, disruptive behavior communicated to the panelists of the meeting, which include the Commission and County staff, may result in the removal of that person from the meeting by disconnecting them from the online connection.

DIRECTOR/DEPUTY DIRECTOR

3. There were no reports given by Director/Deputy Director.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

4. Motion/seconded by Commissioners Duarte-White/Moon – That the minutes for October 16, 2024, be approved.

At the direction of the Chair, the minutes were approved unanimously.

ADMISSION PROCEDURES

Staff announced if you are joining us via telephone and want to provide comment on any of the agenda items, please send an email to comment@planning.lacounty.gov and provide the agenda item number, your first name, your last name, your email address, your phone number, and indicate if you are the applicant or not the applicant

All participants' microphones will be muted during the meeting unless you have signed up to provide comment. If you have signed up to provide comment, your microphone will be unmuted when it is time for you to speak, and staff will call your name.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Foothills Development Services

Project Approved

5. **(Referred to the Regional Planning Commission by the Hearing Officer on 07/23/24). Project No. PRJ2023-003928-(5). Conditional Use Permit No. RPPL2023005794. Planner: Anthony M. Curzi. Applicant: Prime Pizza. 1900 North Allen Avenue. West San Gabriel Valley Planning Area. To authorize the sale of beer and wine for on- and**

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Cont.)

off-site consumption at an existing restaurant within the C-2 (Neighborhood Commercial) Zone. The project is categorically exempt (Class 1 - Existing Facilities and Class 11 - Accessory Structures) pursuant to CEQA reporting requirements.

Motion/seconded by Commissioners O'Connor/Moon – That the Regional Planning Commission reduce the public testimony time to one (1) minute.

Staff presented the project with testimony being followed by the applicant, Mr. Zak Fishman and Mr. Manny Diaz, the applicant's representative, in favor of the project. The Commission opened the public hearing and took testimony from 24 members of community, 20 in favor of the project stating the ability for enhanced dining options and the good operating history of the business. Four members of the community were in opposition, citing increased traffic and on-street parking as well as noise and unruly behavior from patrons consuming alcohol in the outdoor dining area. The applicant provided a rebuttal and stated that their other locations serve alcoholic beverages, including outdoor dining areas and have not experienced issues and if they should, that management and employees are instructed to act accordingly when any issues arise. The applicant also stated that additional offsite parking across from the restaurant was available after 5:00 pm.

The Commission asked staff about adding additional conditions requiring the installation of six CCTV cameras, limiting the sale of alcohol from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., daily; and required that the applicant apply for necessary permits for the outdoor dining area within 30 days from the date of CUP approval. Staff addressed the Commissions questions and included the revisions to the Conditions of Approval.

For further action and discussion visit:

http://lacdrp.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=1

Motion/seconded by Commissioners Hastings/Louie – That the Regional Planning Commission close the public hearing and find that the project is categorically exempt pursuant to state and local CEQA guidelines.

Motion/seconded by Commissioners Hastings/Duarte-White – That the Regional Planning Commission approve Conditional Use Permit No. RPPL2023005794 subject to the findings and conditions with the additional modifications to the Conditions of Approval recommended by the Commission.

At the direction of the Chair, the item passed with Commissioners Hastings, Duarte-White, Louie in favor and Commissioner Moon being recorded as No. The appeal period for this item ends on November 27, 2024.

Metro Development Services

Project Approved

6. **Project No. 2019 00110- (2). Conditional Use Permit No. RPPL2019002142. Planner: Elsa M. Rodriguez. Applicant: Antonio Gil. 9313 - 9323 Laurel Street. Metro Planning Area. To authorize the continued operation and maintenance of an outdoor pallet yard in the M-1 (Light Manufacturing) Zone. This project is categorically exempt (Class 1 – Existing Facilities and Class 3 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) pursuant to CEQA reporting requirements.**

Staff presented the project with testimony being followed by the Applicant, Mr. Antonio Gill, Ms. Kenia Gill, the applicant's daughter and owner, and the applicant's representative, Mr. Steve Kaplan in favor of the project. No members of the public were present in opposition, no rebuttal was required. There was further discussion by the Commission and Staff addressed the Commissions questions.

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Motion/seconded by Commissioners Louie/Moon – That the Regional Planning Commission close the public hearing and find that the project is categorically exempt pursuant to state and local CEQA guidelines.

Motion/seconded by Commissioners Louie/Duarte-White – That the Regional Planning Commission approve Conditional Use Permit No. RPPL2019002142 subject to the findings and conditions.

At the direction of the Chair, the item passed unanimously. The appeal period for this item ends on November 27, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENT

7. **Public comment pursuant to Section 54954.3 of the Government Code.**

There were no requests by members of the public to address the Commission.

CONTINUATION OF REPORTS

8. **Possible Call for Review of Decisions by Hearing Officer, pursuant to Section 22.240.010.B of the Los Angeles County Code.**

There were no items Called up for Review by the Commission.

9. **Commission/Counsel/Director Reports**

There were no reports given by Commission/Counsel/Director.

CONTINUATION OF REPORTS (Cont.)

9(a). Tentative Commission Meeting Schedule for January - December 2025

Motion/seconded by Commissioners Louie/Moon – That the Regional Planning Commission approve the meeting schedule for January through December 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

A recording of the testimony received and the discussions held at this meeting and a copy of all findings and resolutions acted upon by the Commission are on file in the Department of Regional Planning.

The Commission adjourned at 11:13 a.m. to Wednesday, November 20, 2024.

Elida Luna, Commission Secretary

ATTEST

APPROVE

Pamela O'Connor, Chair

Ed Rojas, Assistant Deputy Director
Advance Planning Division

Pamela O'Connor, Chair

Mitch Glaser, Assistant Deputy Director
Current Planning Division