



Planning Commission Minutes

September 6, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo

Planning Commissioners Present: Commissioner Dave Houghton, Commissioner Bob Jorgensen, Commissioner Steve Kahn, Commissioner Eric Tolle, Vice Chair Justin Cooley, Chair Juan Munoz-Morris (*arrived at 6:18 p.m.*)

Planning Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Lindsay Ringer

City Staff Present: Community Development Director Timmi Tway, Deputy Community Development Director Tyler Corey, Assistant City Attorney Markie Kersten, Deputy City Clerk Megan Wilbanks

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Special Meeting of the San Luis Obispo Planning Commission was called to order on September 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo, by Vice Chair Cooley.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA ONLY

**As there was only one Public Hearing item on this agenda, 1700 Palm Street (DIR-0378-2023), public comment was accepted after the staff presentation.*

3. CONSENT

3.a CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES - JULY 12, 2023 PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

Motion By Commissioner Houghton

Second By Commissioner Kahn

To approve the Planning Commission Minutes of July 12, 2023.

Ayes (4): Commissioner Houghton, Commissioner Jorgensen, Commissioner Kahn, and Vice Chair Cooley

Abstained (1): Commissioner Tolle

Absent (2): Commissioner Ringer, and Chair Munoz-Morris

CARRIED (4 to 0)

4. PUBLIC HEARING

Chair Munoz-Morris joined the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

- 4.a 1700 PALM STREET (DIR-0378-2023) REVIEW OF AN INTERIM SAFE PARKING LOCATION AS PART OF THE ROTATING OVERNIGHT SAFE PARKING PROGRAM THAT INCLUDES THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF PALM STREET ADJACENT TO THE SLO VETERAN'S HALL

Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo (CAPSLO) has withdrawn their application for the 1700 Palm Street location. Therefore, there is no application for use of Palm Street as an interim Safe Parking location under consideration by the Planning Commission and no action was taken by the Planning Commission.

Homeless Response Manager Daisy Wiberg and Housing Coordinator Kyle Bell provided an overview of the rotating safe parking program and responded to Commission inquiries.

Vice Chair Cooley opened the Public Hearing

Public Comments:

Zach Moody

Steve Jarrett

Gilbert Rojo

Mark Adams

Lynn Hamilton

Roger Larson

Volonakis

Anne Wyatt

Tom Nulman

Filon R.

Myles Couch

Jack Lahey

Kathie Walker

--End of Public Comment--

Vice Chair Cooley closed the Public Hearing

Planning Commissioners provided the following feedback on the Rotating Overnight Safe Parking Program:

- Recommend increasing the funding for the Rotating Overnight Safe Parking Program; allocating \$60,000 annually may not sufficiently cover the costs for this type of program to be successful.
- Consider assigning City staff as supplemental support for the program administrator to conduct "drive-by" site visits throughout the operating hours (7pm - 7am).
- The Planning Commission recognizes that applications of this type are typically reviewed by the Community Development Director with minimal public outreach or need for a public hearing. However, it was requested that the next application for this specific purpose be reviewed by the Planning Commission, with *increased* outreach such as expanding the radius for postcard notification to residents located beyond 300-feet, when appropriate, of the proposed site and solicit feedback from the neighborhood as early as possible in the process.

5. COMMENT AND DISCUSSION

5.a STAFF UPDATES AND AGENDA FORECAST

Deputy Community Development Director Tyler Corey provided the following update of upcoming projects:

- The September 13th Planning Commission Meeting will be canceled.
- Currently, staff does not have any items scheduled for the September 27th Planning Commission meeting, but that is subject to change. If the meeting is canceled, a notice will be published one week in advance of the meeting date.
- Tentatively scheduled for the October 11th Planning Commission Meeting, is review of an ordinance to address changes to state housing law.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m. The next Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission is scheduled for September 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo. The Regular Meeting on September 13, 2023 will be cancelled.

APPROVED BY PLANNING COMMISSION: XX/XX/2023