



Environmental and Development Services
Department

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 20, 2013
El Cerrito City Hall
Council Chambers
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

This Meeting Place Is Wheelchair Accessible

Roll Call - Commissioners: Amy Coty, Carla Hansen, Ken Hirano, Andrea Lucas, and Tim Pine. Chair Kuhlman and Commissioner Motoyama had excused absences.

1. Council / Staff Liaison Report

Councilmember Benassini updated the Commission regarding recent City Council actions.

Environmental Analyst Maria Sanders updated the Commission regarding the Climate Action Plan.

2. Comments from the Public

Mark Miner addressed the Commission regarding the Climate Action Plan.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the February 20, 2013 meeting minutes: Pine, 2nd: Hansen. Vote: 4-0-1-2.

4. Commissioner Communication/Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Nothing was reported.

5. Public Hearing – Addendum to the Ohlone Greenway Master Plan Negative Declaration

Application: PL13-0031

Applicant: City of El Cerrito

Location: Ohlone Greenway/BART right-of-way, Citywide

Zoning: PS (Public/Semi-Public)

General Plan: Parks and Open Space

Request: Planning Commission consideration of an addendum to the adopted Final Negative Declaration for the Ohlone Greenway

CEQA: Negative Declaration

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Senior Planner Sean Moss presented the project and answered questions from the Commission.
Motion to adopt an addendum to the Ohlone Greenway Master Plan Negative Declaration.

6. Public Hearing – Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Temporary Uses

Application: PL13-0029
Applicant: City of El Cerrito
Location: Citywide
Zoning: Citywide
General Plan: Citywide
Request: Planning Commission consideration of an amendment to Section 19.35.020 of Chapter 19.35: Temporary Uses of the El Cerrito Zoning Ordinance.
CEQA: Exempt, General Rule, Section 15061(b)(3).

Senior Planner Noel Ibalio presented the project and answered questions from the Commission.
Paul Taybi addressed the Commission.

Motion to recommend adoption of an amendment to Section 19.35.020 of Chapter 19.35: Temporary Uses of the El Cerrito Zoning Ordinance: Hansen, 2nd: Lucas. Vote: 5-0-0-2.

7. Study Session – 2012 General Plan Annual Progress Report

Application: PL13-0033
Applicant: City of El Cerrito
Location: Citywide
Zoning: Citywide
General Plan: Citywide
Request: Planning Commission review of the 2012 Annual Progress Report on the General Plan.
CEQA: Exempt, General Rule, Section 15061(b)(3)

Senior Planner Sean Moss presented the project and answered questions from the Commission.
The Commission accepted the Report and did not suggest any changes to the Report.

8. Staff Communications

Senior Planner Sean Moss updated the Commission regarding upcoming agenda items.

9. Adjournment

8:43 p.m.

Appeals:

A decision of the Planning Commission may be appealed to the City Council, by the applicant or any El Cerrito resident or property owner, through the filing of a written statement and the payment of an appeal fee of \$316 with the City Clerk within ten calendar days after the decision date. (The applicant may file an appeal for the cost of half the original permit fee.)

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