



Community Development Department

# MINUTES

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

Wednesday, June 4, 2014  
7:30 PM

El Cerrito City Hall  
Council Chambers  
10890 San Pablo Avenue

**Roll Call:** Maggie Leighly, Glenn Wood Christophe Laverne, Carl Groch, and John Thompson.

### 1. Council/Staff Liaison Announcements and Reports

Councilmember Lyman provided the Board with a report on the recent actions of the City Council. April 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting - the Council approved a DDLA for the Eden Housing project, the City budget was presented to the Council, 2-year budget . May 6<sup>th</sup> meeting – the CIP was presented , projects are programmed and are funded through grants. May 22 Council meeting, a non-smoking ordinance was proposed and Tom Panas was nominated on the Wall of Fame. On June 2, the City Council considered an appeal of the Planning Commission's decision in the 1715 Elm Street project. No decision was made and the item was continued.

### 2. Comments from the Public

No members of the public spoke.

### 3. Approval of Minutes

Approve the minutes of the April 17, 2014 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes: Groch, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Thompson. Vote 3-0-2.

### 4. Board Member Communication/Conflict of Interest Disclosure

None were reported.

### 5. Public Hearing – Del Norte Plaza Signs

Application: PL14-0062  
Applicant: Steve Peterson  
Location: 11720 San Pablo Avenue  
APN: 501-261-016  
Zoning: TOM (Transit Oriented Mixed Use)  
General Plan: Commercial/Mixed Use

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- Request: Design Review Board consideration to amend an existing sign program for the Del Norte Plaza. The amendment will allow for the addition of a circular panel sign at the top of the freestanding monument sign and redistribute the tenant signs on the monument sign from two to six.
- CEQA: Exempt, Section 15301 – Class 1, Existing Facilities, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act

Senior Planner, Noel M. Ibalio, presented the project and answered questions from the Board. The Board added the following conditions of approval:

- 1) Eliminate secondary flags (4),
- 2) Background color on the tenant sign and shopping center identification sign must be of a darker color that complements the color of the framing.
- 3) The background material must be opaque with white lettering.
- 4) The frame of the structure must be a bronze or dark gray color.
- 5) The new circle panel signage must be 3'-6" maximum diameter.

Motion to approve the proposed project subject to the conditions of approval: Groch, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Thompson. Vote: 5-0-0.

**6. Staff Communications**

Staff reported that the Specific Plan will be the only item on the July agenda.

**7. Adjournment**

8:43 p.m.