



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE SOLVANG
PLANNING COMMISSION**

Council Chambers
1644 Oak Street
Solvang, CA 93463

June 7, 2021
Monday
6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commission Members: Scott Gold, Joannie Jamieson, Jack Williams
ABSENT: Commissioner Members: Aaron Petersen, Justin Rodriguez
STAFF: Laurie Tamura, Planning Consultant
Xenia Bradford, City Manager/Planning Director
Chelsea O'Sullivan, Assistant City Attorney
Matt van der Linden, Public Works Director/City Engineer

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Gold led in the Salute to the Flag.

1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

- A. Public Comment: Requests from the public to speak to the Commission on matters not on the agenda

There were no public comments on items not on the agenda.

- B. Requests for Continuance, Withdrawals, or Addition of Ex-Agenda items - None
C. Conflicts and/or Ex-Parte Communications

Chair Williams reported speaking with Ed St. George regarding Item No. 3.B.

- D. Approval of Minutes from April 5, 2021, Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Jamieson, to approve the Planning Commission meeting minutes of April 5, 2021, as presented, seconded by Chair Williams, and carried, unanimously, 3-0, with Commissioners Petersen and Rodriguez, absent.

2. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

- A. Capital Improvement Program Fiscal Year 2021-2022 through 2030-2031
a. Recommendation to adopt Planning Commission Resolution 21-03 to City Council

Planning Consultant Laurie Tamura presented the staff report and stated the action at this time is for the Planning Commission to determine that the projects presented under the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) are consistent with the City's General Plan.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Matt van der Linden presented highlights of the proposed CIP; noted the goal is to compare the CIP with the current General Plan; reported once the General Plan is updated, the Public Works Department will evaluate the CIP and any inconsistent projects will be flagged to present to City Council and the Planning Commission to delete those projects or obtain additional direction.

Discussion followed regarding locations of electric vehicle charging facilities, projects to be started the next fiscal year, the need to cooperate with Caltrans on specific projects including bicycle and pedestrian improvements; the Solvang Bicycle Master Plan and deferred maintenance projects.

There were no public comments on this item.

Motion by Commissioner Gold, to recommend that City Council adopt Planning Commission Resolution 21-03 to City Council, as presented, seconded by Commissioner Jamieson, and carried, unanimously, 3-0, with Commissioners Petersen and Rodriguez, absent.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Review memo on how to create a Homeowner's Association at Skytt Mesa

Assistant City Attorney Chelsea O'Sullivan presented details of a memo regarding the creation of a Homeowner's Association at Skytt Mesa.

Discussion followed regarding gauging interest from residents in forming an HOA, next steps, and enforcement of CC&Rs.

There were no public comments on this item.

B. Status report on Ed St. George proposed Hotel – Informational Item Only

City Manager/Planning Director Xenia Bradford reported this is an informational item only and no action is required; addressed City Council consideration; noted discussions with the developer and commented on a future development agreement.

Discussion followed regarding the timeline for the General Plan Update and the environmental review process.

There were no public comments on this item.

C. Project Status Report

Planning Consultant Tamura presented the staff report including actions taken by the DRC; reported the Solvang Theater Festival is at the end of their plan check process; discussed the Water Wheel project and commented on future projects and outstanding projects from last year.

There were no public comments on this item.

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4. PLANNING COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Commissioner Jamieson asked about removing signs that do not comply with the City's sign ordinance and about the closure of Copenhagen.

City Manager/Planning Director Bradford reported the items will be on City Council's June 28, 2021, meeting agenda.

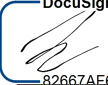
5. PLANNING STAFF COMMENTS

Planning Consultant Tamura reported staff is recommending cancelling the July Planning Commission meeting and addressed projects that will be presented to the Commission in August and provided an update on the City's digitizing of documents.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by:

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XENIA BRADFORD
City Manager/Planning Director