



AGENDA

PLANNING COMMISSION

Tuesday, February 11, 2025
Civic Center, Council Chambers
2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Regular Meeting - 6:00 PM

PLANNING COMMISSION

Commissioner Rick Wood
Commissioner Tracy Pellman
Commissioner Brett Bush
Commissioner Ken Babineau
Commissioner Benjamin Goldberg
Commissioner Brian Thienes
Commissioner Dominic McGee

STAFF

Jill Bos, Deputy Director of Community Development
Ricky Ramos, Planning Manager
Connor Hyland, Deputy City Attorney
Kim De Coite, Senior Administrative Assistant

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PUBLIC COMMENTS: To address the legislative body on items of interest not scheduled for public hearing, *Request to Speak* forms will be made available at the meeting and are collected by the staff or Sergeant at Arms. Some legislative bodies may provide different *Request to Speak* forms for public hearing items.

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The Planning Commission, made up of seven individual direct appointee members is a quasi-judicial body empowered by State law and the City Council. The Planning Commission study session is open to public attendance but is not a public hearing. The meetings are subject to the Brown Act and televised live on local cable HBTV Channel 3. The Planning Commission study session is open to public attendance but is not a public hearing.

Projects typically acted upon by the Planning Commission are major development proposals, tentative tract maps, zoning map amendments, zoning text amendments, general plan amendments, and various similar applications. In reviewing a project, project planners consult with various City departments as well as appropriate regional and state agencies. Environmental assessments are conducted concurrently with each project analysis. The review process for a Planning Commission item normally requires four to five months.

For more information, please contact Community Development department at 714-536-5276 or email planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org.

6:00 PM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CALL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Wood, Pellman, Bush, Babineau, Goldberg, Thienes, McGee

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Anyone wishing to speak during PUBLIC COMMENTS must fill out and submit a form to speak. The Planning Commission can take no action on this date, unless the item is agendized. Anyone wishing to speak on items not on tonight’s agenda, a closed public hearing item, or on non-public hearing items may do so during PUBLIC COMMENTS. Please note comments on closed public hearing items will not be part of the permanent entitlement record. Speakers on items scheduled for PUBLIC HEARING will be invited to speak during the public hearing. (3 MINUTES PER PERSON, NO DONATING OF TIME TO OTHERS)

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

25-058 PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Recommended Action:

The Planning Commission may take one of the following actions:

- A) Nominate and elect the 2025 Planning Commission Chair and Vice Chair based on Planning Commission seniority as established by the Planning Commission bylaws (see attached memo): or
- B) Set aside the Planning Commission bylaws and nominate and elect the 2025 Planning Commission Chair and Vice Chair.

25-059 PLANNING COMMISSION ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Recommended Action:

That the Planning Commission take the following action:

- A) Discuss the 2025 Advisory Boards and Committee Assignments

25-060 CODE OF ETHICS (ANNUAL REVIEW AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT)

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

25-054 ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 25-001 (SMOKE/TOBACCO SHOP REGULATIONS)

REQUEST:

To amend four chapters of the Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance to primarily introduce regulations for smoke/tobacco shops. The chapters to be amended are Chapter 204 (Use Classifications), Chapter 211 (C Commercial Districts), and Chapter 230 (Site Standards). Chapter 212 (I Industrial Districts) is also being amended to remove duplicate text.

LOCATION:

Citywide

Recommended Action:

That the Planning Commission take the following actions:

A) Find the project exempt from additional environmental review pursuant to City Council Resolution No. 4501, Class 20, which supplements the California Environmental Quality Act because the request is a minor amendment to the zoning ordinance that does not change the development standards intensity or density.

B) Recommend approval of Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) No. 25-001 to the City Council with suggested findings (Attachment No. 1).

25-083

CONTINUE APPEAL OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S APPROVAL OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 24-026 TO MARCH 25, 2025 (TIEMPO SECURITY FENCE)

REQUEST:

To permit the construction of a 6 ft. tall open slat wrought iron security fence within the 10 ft. front setback in lieu of the maximum height of 42 in. This request also includes a reduced vehicle stacking distance of 7 ft-2 ½ in. in lieu of the required 20 ft., and to allow the proposed fence within portions of the required 10 ft. visibility triangles located at the front entry and the rear alley exit.

Recommended Action:

That the Planning Commission take the following action:

- A) Continue Appeal of the Zoning Administrator’s approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 24-026 to the March 25, 2025, Planning Commission meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

25-028 APPROVE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES DATED SEPTEMBER 24, 2024

Recommended Action:

That the Planning Commission take the following action:

“Approve the September 24, 2024, Planning Commission Minutes as submitted.”

NON-PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

PLANNING ITEMS

PLANNING COMMISSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Huntington Beach Planning Commission is Tuesday, February 25, 2025, at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, Civic Center, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, California.

INTERNET ACCESS TO PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT MATERIAL IS AVAILABLE PRIOR TO PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS AT

<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov>

Public Hearing Procedures

This statement has been prepared to provide a better understanding of the procedures for public hearings before the Planning Commission.

Regular meetings of the Planning Commission are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month beginning at 5:00 p.m for a study session and then at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers. Adjourned meetings, special meetings, and Study Sessions may be scheduled at other times.

Planning Commission proceedings are governed by the Planning Commission By-Laws, Robert's Rules of Order and the Brown Act. The following is the typical sequence of events on public hearing items:

- A. The Chairperson shall announce the item and if the public hearing is open or closed.
- B. The Planning Commission shall disclose any discussions, conversations, etc., with applicants, applicant's representatives or property owners.
- C. The staff report is presented.
- D. Questions by the Planning Commission concerning the staff report may be answered at this time.
- E. The public hearing is opened by the Chairperson.
- F. The applicant or appellant is given an opportunity to address the Commission. Time is not limited but left to the Chairperson's discretion.
- G. Public Comments: Staff will call all speakers by name. Please proceed to the podium. Individuals favoring and opposing the proposal are given an opportunity to address the Commission (up to three (3) minutes), or may choose to donate their time to another speaker if the "Request to Speak" form is filled out and given to the Secretary. A speaker who addresses the Commission on behalf of individuals who donate time are allowed a maximum of 12 minutes. Individuals who donate time must be present when the item is being discussed. Please state your name before addressing the Commission.
- H. The Commission may ask questions of speakers addressing the Commission.
- I. The public hearing is closed.
- J. The Commission will deliberate the matter at this time.

K. The Commission then acts on the matter by continuing, approving, conditionally approving, or denying the petition.

The Planning Commission receives a staff report packet on the Tuesday preceding the meeting, allowing time to review each case and make further investigations in the field prior to the scheduled meeting.

Staff reports are available in the Community Development Department, the Central Library and on the City's website (www.surfcity-hb.org) anytime on Wednesday preceding the Tuesday Planning Commission meeting.

Under the provisions of the Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance, the action taken by the Planning Commission is final unless an appeal is filed to the City Clerk by you or by an interested party. Said appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of Two Thousand, Three Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$2,353.00) if the appeal is filed by a single family dwelling property owner appealing the decision on his own property and Three Thousand, Seven Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$3,778.00) if the appeal is filed by any other party. The appeal shall be submitted to the City Clerk within ten (10) calendar days of the date of the Planning Commission's action.