



AGENDA

PLANNING COMMISSION

Tuesday, March 26, 2024
Civic Center, Council Chambers
2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Regular Meeting - 6:00 PM

PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair Butch Twining
Vice-Chair Don Kennedy
Commissioner Kayla Acosta-Galvan
Commissioner Oscar Rodriguez
Commissioner Ian Adam
Commissioner Rick Wood
Commissioner Tracy Pellman

STAFF

Jennifer Villaseñor, Director of Community Development
Ricky Ramos, Planning Manager
Connor Hyland, Deputy City Attorney
Kim De Coite, 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: Adam, Pellman, Kennedy, Twining, Wood, Rodriguez, Acosta-Galvan****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 agendaized. 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)

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**24-106****ZONING MAP AMENDMENT (ZMA) NO. 23-002 (MAPPING
CONSISTENCY CLEAN-UP PROJECT - CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS)****REQUEST:**

To amend the current zoning map to bring 18 inconsistently zoned parcels consisting of churches and schools into conformance with their General Plan designations.

LOCATION:

Citywide

Recommended Action:

That the Planning Commission take the following actions:

- A) Find the proposed project categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to section 15183; and
- B) Recommend approval of Zoning Map Amendment No. 23-002 with findings (Attachment No. 1)

24-153**ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 23-002 (ZONING UPDATE)****REQUEST:**

Amend eight chapters of the Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance (HBZSO) to update definitions and processes,

provide clarification by codifying existing policies and code interpretations, and introduce a process for space efficient parking such as mechanical parking lifts. The chapters to be amended are Chapter 203 (Definitions), Chapter 210 (Residential Districts), Chapter 211 (C Commercial Districts), Chapter 212 (I Industrial Districts), Chapter 218 (M Mixed-Use Transit Center District), Chapter 230 (Site Standards), Chapter 231 (Off-Street Parking and Loading Provisions), and Chapter 241 (Conditional Use Permits and Variances - Temporary Use Permits-Waiver of Development Standards). Additionally, amend Section 2.5: Street Regulations of the Beach and Edinger Corridors Specific Plan (BECSP) to update the process and provide clarification for street improvements within the specific plan.

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 and in accordance with the BECSP Program Environmental Impact Report No. 08-008 certified by the Planning Commission on December 8, 2009 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 and 15163, no subsequent EIR or supplement to the EIR need be prepared for this ZTA and no further environmental review or documentation is required; and
- B) Recommend approval of Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) No. 23-002 to the City Council with findings (Attachment No. 1).

CONSENT CALENDAR

[24-162](#) APPROVE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES DATED JANUARY 23, 2024

Recommended Action:

That the Planning Commission take the following action:

"Approve the January 23, 2024, Planning Commission Minutes as submitted."

[24-163](#) APPROVE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES DATED FEBRUARY 13, 2024

Recommended Action:

That the Planning Commission take the following action:

"Approve the February 13, 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, April 9, 2024, 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 four (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.