



## MINUTES

### HUNTINGTON BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION

TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021

HUNTINGTON BEACH CIVIC CENTER

2000 MAIN STREET, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA 92648

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#### 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS

#### CALL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING TO ORDER

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Commissioner Van Der Mark

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ROLL CALL: *Rodriguez, Acosta-Galvan, Perkins, Ray, Mandic, Scandura, Van Der Mark*

#### AGENDA APPROVAL

THE APRIL 27, 2021, PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA WAS ADOPTED BY ACCLAMATION.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE

#### PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

#### **21-272 ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 21-002 (ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE AND SUBDIVISION COMMITTEE)**

##### **REQUEST:**

To amend the Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance (HBZSO) to eliminate the Environmental Assessment Committee and Subdivision Committee to streamline the entitlement process.

##### **LOCATION:**

Citywide

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

That the Planning Commission take the following actions:

- A) Find that Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) No. 21-002 is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) (General Rule) of the CEQA Guidelines because there is no potential for the project to have a significant effect on the environment (Attachment No. 1).
- B) Recommend approval of Zoning Text Amendment No. 21-002 with findings (Attachment No. 1) by approving draft City Council Ordinance No. 4230 and forward to the City Council for consideration.

Tess Nguyen, Associate Planner gave the staff presentation on the proposed project.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the following items: the history of the Subdivision Committee (SC) and the Environmental Assessment Committee (EAC), the purpose of the SC and EAC, the amount of processing time that would be saved by removing the committees, the process for reviewing and amending environmental documents, and the notification process and requirements for items going before the SC and EAC.

**THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS OPENED.**

**WITH NO ONE PRESENT TO SPEAK, THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED.**

Commissioners Mandic, Scandura, and Van Der Mark indicated that they were not in favor of eliminating either the SC or EAC. Vice-Chair Perkins expressed interest in exploring a compromise.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY RAY, SECONDED BY ACOSTA-GALVAN, TO FIND THAT ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 21-002 IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM CEQA, AND RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 21-002 WITH FINDINGS BY APPROVING DRAFT CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 4230 AND FORWARD TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>Rodriguez, Acosta-Galvan, Ray</b>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>Perkins, Mandic, Scandura, Van Der Mark</b>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	<b>None</b>

**MOTION FAILED**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**21-360 APPROVE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES DATED JANUARY 12, 2021**

**Recommended Action:**

That the Planning Commission take the following action:

“Approve the January 12, 2021, Planning Commission Minutes as submitted.”

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY SCANDURA, SECONDED BY PERKINS, TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 12, 2021 PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES AS SUBMITTED, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>Rodriguez, Acosta-Galvan, Perkins, Ray, Mandic, Scandura, Van Der Mark</b>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	<b>None</b>

**MOTION APPROVED**

**21-361 APPROVE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES DATED JANUARY 26, 2021**

**Recommended Action:**

That the Planning Commission take the following action:

“Approve the January 26, 2021, Planning Commission Minutes as submitted.”

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY SCANDURA, SECONDED BY PERKINS, TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 26, 2021 PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES AS SUBMITTED, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES:** Rodriguez, Acosta-Galvan, Perkins, Ray, Scandura, Van Der Mark  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** Mandic

**MOTION APPROVED**

**21-016 APPROVE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES DATED MARCH 9, 2021**

**Recommended Action:**

That the Planning Commission take the following action:

“Approve the March 9, 2021, Planning Commission Minutes as submitted.”

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY SCANDURA, SECONDED BY PERKINS, TO APPROVE THE MARCH 9, 2021 PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES AS SUBMITTED, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES:** Rodriguez, Acosta-Galvan, Perkins, Ray, Mandic, Scandura, Van Der Mark  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None

**MOTION APPROVED**

**NON-PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS - NONE**

**PLANNING ITEMS**

Jane James, Planning Manager, reported on recent and upcoming City Council meetings, the recent Housing Element meeting, and reported on items scheduled for upcoming Planning Commission meetings.

**PLANNING COMMISSION ITEMS**

Commissioners Rodriguez and Acosta-Galvan reported on the recent community meeting on the Housing Element.

Commissioner Scandura reported on the recent Historic Resources Board meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned at 7:14 PM to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Tuesday, May 11, 2021.**

APPROVED BY:

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Jennifer Villasenor, Acting Secretary

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Alan Ray, Chairperson