

---

Name: Planning Commission

Type: Planning Commission

Description: 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 HBTB 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](mailto:planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org).

---

Name	Title	Start Date	End Date
Brian Thienes	Commissioner	2/11/2025	12/31/2028
Appointed By: Pat Burns			
Brett Bush	Chairperson	2/11/2025	12/31/2028
Appointed By: Chad Williams			
Ken Babineau	Vice Chair	2/11/2025	12/31/2028
Appointed By: Butch Twining			
Domnic McGee	Commissioner	2/11/2025	12/31/2028
Appointed By: Gracey Van Der Mark			
Ann Palmer	Commissioner	6/10/2025	12/31/2028
Appointed By: Don Kennedy			
Dave Clifford	Commissioner	2/3/2026	12/31/2026
Appointed By: Casey McKeon			
Benjamin Goldberg	Commissioner	7/31/2025	12/31/2026
Appointed By: Andrew Gruel			

---