



City of San Pablo Planning Commission Minutes

Wednesday, September 27, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Roll Call

Vice Chair Gurdian called the teleconferenced/video-conferenced meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Roll call showed present: Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Jackson and Vice Chair Gurdian. Chair Feliciano and Commissioner Owens were absent. Staff present at the meeting included: Teresa Stricker, City Attorney; Libby Tyler, Community Development Director; Griffen Dempsey, Assistant Planner; and Michelle Chavez, Administrative Secretary. Community Development Director Tyler announced that the meeting was being held via video/teleconference in accordance with the Brown Act, as amended by Assembly Bill 361, and following a determination of the City Council pursuant to Resolution 2022-140. Ms. Tyler further announced the ways in which members of the public could watch or listen to the meeting during livestream on the City website, which were also highlighted in the Planning Commission's agenda. Instructions were also announced on how the public could provide public comments via email which would be read before consideration of the item.

Informational Item

File ID #PC22-25: City Council's determination that Brown Act bodies in the City of San Pablo continue to meet remotely in compliance with Assembly Bill 361, Resolution 2022-140, dated September 19, 2022.

Public Comments

There were no public comments for items not on the Agenda.

Approval of the Minutes

File ID #PC22-27: Commissioner Morris made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 30, 2022 meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed as follows:

AYES:	Morris, Jackson, Gurdian
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Owens, Feliciano
ABSTAIN:	None

Appeal Date

Community Development Director Tyler announced that the appeal date for actions taken by the Commission at this meeting would be no later than 6:00 p.m. on October 10, 2022.

Public Hearing:

File ID#PC22-13: PLAN2109-0012

Location: 2364 Road 20
APN: 416-120-029
Zoning: SP2 - San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan - High Density Residential
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CEQA: Addenda to existing EIRs for the City of San Pablo 2030 General Plan and San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan prepared showing no significant effect on the environment due to the project
Owner: San Pablo Road 20, LLC
Applicant: San Pablo Road 20, LLC (Attn: Santosh Addagulla)
Agent for Applicant: Adriana Cook, Arris Studio
Staff Contact: Elizabeth Tyler, Community Development Director

Community Development Director Tyler gave a PowerPoint presentation for the proposed project. City Attorney Stricker inquired if there were any ex-parte contacts with the applicant or other interested parties regarding this project. Commissioners Jackson and Morris and Vice Chair Gurdian reported that they had had no ex-parte contacts. The public hearing was opened at 6:52 p.m. Applicant Santosh Addagulla agreed to accept the conditions of approval. Emails submitted by Ingrid Little and Jonathan Rasmusson/Karina Chang were read aloud voicing concerns against the project. Maria Rivera and Aakash {no last name given} voiced their opinion against the project. Jim McCarty inquired as to the depth of the soil samples. There being no further comments, the public hearing was closed at 7:09 p.m. Commissioners discussed their view points. Commissioner Jackson made a motion for adoption of Resolution PC22-06, subject to the conditions of approval included in the resolution. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Gurdian and failed to pass:

AYES: Jackson, Gurdian
NOES: Morris
ABSENT: Owens, Feliciano
ABSTAIN: None

City Attorney Stricker noted that a quorum vote of 3 “ayes” is needed for a project’s approval. Commissioner Morris made a motion to continue the item to next month’s Planning Commission meeting on October 25, 2022. Vice Chair Gurdian seconded. The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Morris, Jackson, Gurdian
ABSENT: Owens, Feliciano
ABSTAIN: None

Staff Updates

Director Tyler informed the Commission that she will be attending the National American Planning Association Conference (APA) in Anaheim next week and will be presenting on the implementation of San Pablo’s Health Element. The Northern California Chapter of APA also recognized the City of San Pablo for Public Outreach, for the San Pablo Walk & Bike Broadway temporary demonstration held by the Public Works Department.

Commissioner Updates

Commissioner Morris mentioned he helped to create San Pablo’s Health Element.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Vice Chair Gurdian adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m. to Tuesday, October 25, 2022.