



ANNOTATED AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF CONCORD PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday, August 3, 2016
6:30 p.m. – Council Chamber
1950 Parkside Drive, Concord

Planning Commission Members:

Carlyn Obringer, Chair

Jason Laub, Vice Chair

Dominic Aliano, Commissioner

LaMar Anderson, Commissioner

Ray Barbour, Commissioner

REGULAR MEETING 6:30 p.m. – Council Chamber

I. ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: C. Obringer, J. Laub, D. Aliano, L. Anderson, R. Barbour

Staff Present: L. Simpson, M. Kotzebue, R. Kuzbari

Audience in Attendance: 5 people

II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG – *Pledge was led by Commissioner Aliano*

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – *None*

IV. ADDITIONS / CONTINUANCES / WITHDRAWALS – *None*

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. 7/20/16 Meeting Minutes

No public comment

ACTION: *Approved, 5-0. (Barbour motioned, Anderson seconded.)*

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **City of Concord Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Safe Routes to Transit Plan** – City-initiated proposal to adopt the Bicycle, Pedestrian and Safe Routes to Transit Plan, which envisions Concord as a community where bicycling, walking and transit can serve the transportation needs of all users. The Plan outlines a strategy to develop a safer and more comfortable walking and bicycling network, through physical improvements and programs designed to educate and encourage safe use

of the expanded transportation network. The Plan helps position the City for future funding for bicycle, pedestrian and transit access improvements by identifying community needs and addressing those needs with \$146 million of identified and prioritized capital improvement projects. The Plan also contains evaluation programs to encourage forward progress by documenting progress towards the Plan's goals. Pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended, the project falls under Section 15262, “ (a) project involving only feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions which the agency, board, or commission has not approved, adopted, or funded does not require the preparation of an EIR or negative declaration but does require consideration of environmental factors. This section does not apply to the adoption of a plan that will have a legally binding effect on later activities.” The City of Concord's Bicycle, Pedestrian & Safe Routes to Transit Plan (Plan) meets these criteria because the Plan is a planning study that would serve as the basis for future updating of the Concord General Plan related to the education, encouragement, enforcement, and evaluation of future walking and bicycling network improvements and has no legally binding effect on current activities (e.g. development project application review) or later activities (i.e., the General Plan Update). **Project Planner: Laura Simpson @ (925) 671-3369**

ACTION: *Approved Planning Commission Resolution 16-21 PC recommending City Council approval of the Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Safe Routes to Transit Plan with an amendment to the meeting date on the Planning Commission Resolution, 5-0. (Barbour motioned, Aliano seconded.)*

VII. COMMISSION CONSIDERATIONS – None

VIII. STAFF REPORTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – L. Simpson announced the Veranda project was approved by the City Council.

IX. COMMISSION REPORTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

X. FUTURE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS – L. Simpson stated there will be a large multi-family development, Concord Village, on August 17th as well as another item.

XI. ADJOURNMENT – 8:30 p.m. (Laub motioned, Aliano seconded)

NEXT PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS:

August 17, 2016: 6:30 pm – Council Chamber
September 7, 2016: 6:30 pm – Council Chamber
