

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY OF CONCORD PLANNING COMMISSION
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 1950 PARKSIDE DRIVE
CONCORD, CALIFORNIA

Wednesday, November 1, 2017

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission, City of Concord, was called to order by Vice Chair Barbour at 6:30 P.M., November 1, 2017, in the City Council Chamber.

I. ROLL CALL

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Vice Chair Ray Barbour
Commissioner Dominic Aliano
Commissioner John Mercurio
Commissioner Mark Weinmann

COMMISSIONER ABSENT: Chair Jason Laub

STAFF PRESENT: Laura Simpson, Planning Manager
Margaret Kotzebue, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Mitra Abkenari, Assistant Engineer
Guy Bjerke, Director of Community Reuse Planning

II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Mercurio led the pledge.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None was heard.

IV. ADDITIONS / CONTINUANCES / WITHDRAWALS

There were none.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

No public comment was heard.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Mercurio and seconded by Commissioner Aliano to approve the meeting minutes of October 4, 2017. The motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Mercurio, Aliano, Barbour, Weinmann
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Laub

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

2159 Kirker Pass Road – Vacation Right of Way – Application to vacate a 26 ft. by 310 ft. section of street right-of-way located easterly of the property at 2159 Kirker Pass Road, that represents the westerly half of a 52 ft. wide section of right-of-way serving two adjacent parcels. The right-of-way vacation is classified under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as categorically exempt pursuant to Sections 15304, “Minor Alterations to Land;” therefore, no further environmental review is required.
Project Contact: Mitra Abkenari @ (925) 671-3439

Mitra Abkenari, Assistant Engineer, gave a presentation and answered a question from the Planning Commission about a previous right-of-way which came before the Commission and who owns the parcel.

The applicant Mike Milani, of Milani & Associates, spoke about the need for this vacation to be approved as they have submitted the final map on the previously approved right-of-way and it is on hold until this vacation is approved.

No public comment was heard.

Commissioner Mercurio voiced his concern with right-of-way’s going from a public resource to a private resource and wants to be sure staff reviews right-of-way’s and ensures there is no future use being lost due to these being approved.

Motion was made by Commissioner Weinmann and seconded by Commissioner Aliano to adopt Resolution No. 17-18 PC finding the vacation of a roadway right-of-way consisting of 8,060 sq. ft. area and located at 2159 Kirker Pass Road is consistent with the Concord 2030 General Plan, and recommend that the City Council approve the vacation of the subject right-of-way. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Weinmann, Aliano, Barbour, Mercurio
 NOES: None
 ABSTAIN: None
 ABSENT: Laub

VII. COMMISSION CONSIDERATIONS

There were none.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Planning Manager Laura Simpson announced a joint Planning Commission and Design Review Board field trip on completed projects in Concord will occur on Friday, November 3rd at 8:30 AM.

IX. COMMISSION REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

X. FUTURE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

Planning Manager Laura Simpson announced the next two Planning Commission meetings on November 22nd and December 6th will be cancelled. She indicated if there is a quorum, there will be a special meeting held on December 13th and a regularly scheduled meeting on December 20th.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Mercurio moved to adjourn at 6:47 P.M. Commissioner Aliano seconded the motion. Motion to adjourn was passed by unanimous vote of the Commissioners present.

APPROVED:



Laura Simpson
Planning Manager



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