MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BELL GARDENS 7100 GARFIELD AVENUE, BELL GARDENS, CA 90201

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order in City Hall Council Chambers by Chairperson Rivera at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Associate Planner, Hailes Soto gave the invocation.

Acting Director of Community Development, Carmen Morales led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Commissioner Ramirez, Commissioner Villalobos, and Chairperson

Rivera.

Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Carmen Morales, Acting Director of Community Development, Marc Tran, Assistant City Attorney, Hailes Soto, Associate Planner, Erika Gutierrez, Planning Secretary and Samantha Lubrani, Translator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairperson Rivera asked for a motion on the minutes of November 7, 2018. A motion was made by Commissioner Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Villalobos to approve the minutes of November 7, 2018. Motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

A. Planning Commission

1. Zoning Code Amendment No. 2017-060
Ordinance No. 884 – Commercial Building Setbacks
(File No. 2017-060)

Mr. Soto gave the presentation on Zoning Code Amendment No. 2017-060 – Ordinance No. 884 – Commercial Building Setbacks.

Chairperson Rivera asked the Commission if there were any comments for staff on the Public Hearing Item.

With no questions from the Commission, Chairperson Rivera opened the public hearing.

Assistant City Attorney, Marc Tran had a question in reference to Ordinance No. 884, footnote No. 3, and indicated that there was a discrepancy on the language from what was in the staff report versus what was presented as part of Mr. Soto presentation. Mr. Tran asked Mr. Soto for clarification on the footnote. Mr. Soto stated the footnote shall read:

"When located adjacent to a residential use with habitable area located less than five feet from a shared side property line, a minimum setback of five feet shall be provided along the entire shared side yard property line between buildings."

Ms. Morales advised Mr. Tran that Resolution #PC 2017-06 corresponded to this item when it was first brought before the Commission at the regular meeting of September 20, 2017 and asked Mr. Tran if a new resolution number should be assigned. Mr. Tran indicated a new resolution number should be assigned for tracking and consistency purposes. The resolution number was changed to Resolution #PC 2019-01.

With no further questions from the Commission, Chairperson Rivera closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Villalobos to approve Zoning Code Amendment No. 2017-060 by adopting Resolution #PC 2019-01 with the amendments mentioned by staff. Motion carried by a 3-0.

B. Substandard Properties - None

DISCUSSION ITEMS – None

STAFF INFORMATION ITEMS - None

COMMISSION INFORMATION ITEMS - None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Rivera made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

RECORDED BY:

ERIKA GUTIERREZ, PLANNING SECRETARY