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CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEES – PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

City Hall, Two Civic Center Plaza, 2nd Floor, Council Chambers

Wednesday, December 2, 2009

10: 00 a.m.

MINUTES

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AGENDA

1. Call to order and establish quorum.

Meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m., committee Chair Ann Lilly present and presiding and the following Committee Members were present:

City Representative Susie Byrd

City Representative Beto O'Rourke

City Representative Rachel Quintana – Not Present

2. Approval of Minutes for the Planning & Development Legislative Review Committee meeting of November 19, 2009.

MOTION WAS MADE by City Representative Beto O'Rourke seconded by City Representative Susie Byrd and unanimously carried to approve the minutes for November 19, 2009. [Approved 3-0]

3. Discussion and action on 2009 Texas legislative changes to allow municipalities to regulate boarding home facilities. [Office of the City Attorney, Lupe Cuellar, (915) 541-4550] ~~POSTPONED FROM AUGUST 20, 2009 AND NOVEMBER 19, 2009~~

Ms. Lupe Cuellar, City Attorney, commented and provided the committee with a memorandum. [Copy on file]

City Representatives Lilly and Byrd, commented.

No public comment was presented.

MOTION WAS MADE by City Representative Susie Byrd seconded by City Representative Ann Lilly and unanimously carried that staff develop the proposed code amendments working with the various community advocates and agencies; and that an update on the staff progress of the code amendment be given in March 2010. [Approved 3-0]

4. Discussion and action on policy direction concerning personal care facilities and assisted care facilities within single-family residential zones. [Development Services-Planning, Mathew McElroy, (915) 541-4193]

~~POSTPONED FROM AUGUST 20 AND NOVEMBER 19, 2009~~

Matthew McElroy, Deputy Director/Planning, gave an update and presented a PowerPoint presentation. [Copy on file]

City Representatives Lilly and Byrd, commented

Ms. Lupe Cuellar, City Attorney, commented.

No public comment was presented.

MOTION WAS MADE by City Representative Susie Byrd seconded by City Representative Ann Lilly and unanimously carried that staff conduct a research on all the existing definitions and specify the supplemental requirements for each type of facility; and bring back staff's recommendation at the next LRC meeting. [Approved 3-0]

5. Discussion and action on amending Title 20 (Zoning) of the El Paso City Code to include off-street parking maximums outside of the downtown area. [Development Services/Planning, Mathew McElroy, (915) 541-4056] ~~POSTPONED FROM NOVEMBER 19, 2009~~

Mr. Matthew McElroy, Deputy Director/Planning, presented a PowerPoint presentation. [Copy on file]

City Representatives Byrd and O'Rourke, commented

Ms. Patricia Adatao, Deputy City Manager/Development & Infrastructure, commented.

No public comment was presented.

MOTION WAS MADE by City Representative Susie Byrd seconded by City Representative Ann Lilly and unanimously carried that staff solicit public input to establish off-street parking maximums for certain uses on properties outside of the Downtown Area and present a staff report at the next LRC meeting. [Approved 3-0]

6. Discussion and action on amending Title 20 (Zoning) of the El Paso City Code to allow for administrative review and approval of parking reduction applications that do not exceed a 10% reduction. [Development Services/Planning, Mathew McElroy, (915) 541-4056] ~~POSTPONED FROM NOVEMBER 19, 2009~~

Mr. Mathew McElroy, Deputy Director/Planning, presented the item.
City Representative Byrd commented.
No public comment was presented.

MOTION WAS MADE by City Representative Susie Byrd seconded by City Representative Ann Lilly and unanimously carried to approve administrative review and approval of parking reduction applications that do not exceed a 10% reduction. [Approved 3-0]

7. Discussion and action on amending Title 18 (Building and Construction) of the El Paso City Code to amend Chapter 18.02 (Administrative Code), Chapter 18.08 (Building Code), Chapter 18.10 (Residential Code), Chapter 18.12 (Mechanical Code), Chapter 18.20 (Plumbing Code), Chapter 18.28 (Building Code), Chapter 18.24 (Gas Code), Chapter 18.50 (Property Maintenance Code), Chapter 18.70 (Energy Conservation Code), and Chapter 18.16 (National Electrical Code – 2008 Edition), by adopting the International Codes and providing for local amendments. [Development Services, Victor Q. Torres, (915) 541-4557]

~~POSTPONED FROM AUGUST 20 AND NOVEMBER 19, 2009~~

MOTION WAS MADE by City Representative Beto O'Rourke seconded by City Representative Ann Lilly and unanimously carried to delete Item #7 as requested by staff. [Approved 3-0]

8. Discussion and action on policy direction to regarding expanding the boundaries of the City of El Paso Improvement District No. 3 (as established by Ordinance No. 736) to match the boundaries of the Downtown 2015 Plan, so as to expand the area for which 100% of the off-street parking requirements are waived under the Zoning Code, and for which redevelopment project incentives may be available. [Economic Development, Kathryn B. Dodson, (915) 541-4872]

Mr. Ernesto Gamboa, Economic Development, presented the item.
City Representative O'Rourke and Byrd, commented.
Ms. Patricia Aduato, Deputy City Manager/Development & Infrastructure
No public comment was presented.

MOTION WAS MADE by City Representative Beto O'Rourke, seconded by City Representative Susie Byrd and unanimously carried to approve expanding the boundaries of the City of El Paso Improvement District No. 3 to match the boundaries of the Downtown 2015 Plan, so as to expand the area for which 100% of the off-street parking requirements are waived under the code, and for which redevelopment project incentives may be available. [Approved 3-0].

9. Discussion and action on staff implementation and next steps of the Regional Growth Management Plan recommendations. [Development Services/Planning, Mathew McElroy, (915) 541-4056]

Mr. Mathew McElroy, Deputy Director/Planning, presented and reported on the item.
City Representatives O'Rourke, Lilly and Byrd, commented.
Ms. Patricia Aduato, Deputy City Manager/Development & Infrastructure
No public comment was presented.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

10. Set next meeting date and discussion item(s) for the agenda of the next meeting.

The next LRC meeting date to be determined upon a quorum.

11. Adjournment. Meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT: _____
Department Head