



MINUTES

**Planning Commission Regular Meeting
Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive, Galt, California
Thursday, Jan. 13, 2011, 6:30 p.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairperson McFaddin. Commissioners present: McFaddin, Pellandini, Dees, Rodriguez, and Morris.

Staff members present: Community Development Director Campion, Senior Planner Erias, City Attorney Rudolph, City Engineer Forrest and PC Secretary Kulm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – **None.**

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Pursuant to Galt Municipal Code, Chapter 2.28, Section 2.28.050, election of a Planning Commission Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall be conducted at the first regular meeting of the year.

Chairperson McFaddin opened the floor for nominations for Chairperson.

Action: Pellandini nominated McFaddin for Chairperson. There being no other nominations, McFaddin was elected unanimously by the following vote: Ayes - Pellandini, Dees, Rodriguez, and Morris – Abstain – McFaddin. McFaddin was elected as Chairperson.

Chairperson McFaddin opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

Action: “Inaudible” nominated Dees for Vice Chairperson, second by “inaudible”. There being no other nominations, Dees was elected unanimously by the following vote: Ayes – McFaddin, Pellandini, Rodriguez, Dees, and Morris. Dees was elected as Vice-Chairperson.

INFORMATION/CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **SUBJECT:** **Minutes of the October 14, 2010 meeting.**

ACTION: Pellandini moved to approve the consent calendar; second by McFaddin. Motion was unanimously carried by those Commissioners present. (McFaddin, Pellandini, Dees, Rodriguez, and Morris)

PUBLIC HEARING

1. **SUBJECT:** **Time Extension Request for the Walmart Project Site Plan and Design Review Approval, and Conditional Use Permit**

RECOMMENDATION: That the Planning Commission:

1. Adopt Resolution 2011-__ (PC) approving the Time Extension Request for Walmart Project Site Plan and Design Review Approval, and Conditional Use Permit

Campion explained that under this agenda item, the Time Extension Request would be the only thing discussed, not the merits of the project.

Erias gave a brief summary and powerpoint presentation.

Chairperson McFaddin opened the public hearing.

Al Baldwin, concerned citizen, urged the Commission to approve the time extension request by Walmart.

Ron Clundt, Doucet & Associates, made himself available for questions from the commissioners. Morris asked why the word "accordance" was being changed to "insubstantial compliance". Erias explained that when the Community Development Director issued the initial Notice of Decision, there was an appeal by Walmart attorneys for basic wording of the document and it was so slight that staff did not have an issue or concern with the changes. The reason for the change was for legal purposes.

Chairperson McFaddin closed the public hearing.

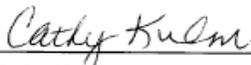
ACTION: Rodriguez made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-__ (PC) approving the Time Extension Request for Walmart Project Site Plan and Design Review Approval, and Conditional Use Permit; second by Pellandini. Motion was unanimously carried by those Commissioners present. (McFaddin, Pellandini, Dees, Rodriguez, and Morris)

DEPARTMENT REPORTS -

Campion discussed the 2011 Planners Institute scheduled for March 9th – 11th in Pasadena. He noted that the Commission's travel budget is \$4,000 and the estimated cost for each attendee is approximately \$1,300 (which includes registration, airfare, 2-night hotel stay, mileage and meals); therefore, the Commission needs to designate which commissioners (up to 3) would like to attend. Campion asked the Commissioners to confirm their attendance by Jan. 27th in order to make the necessary arrangements

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by



Cathy Kulm, Secretary
Galt Planning Commission

Approved 3-10-11