



MINUTES PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING August 15, 2023

The meeting of the El Cajon Planning Commission was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Darrin MROZ (Chair)
Rebecca POLLACK-RUDE (Vice Chair)
Paul CIRCO
Anthony SOTTILE
Shannon EDISON

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: NONE

STAFF PRESENT: Noah ALVEY, Deputy Director of Community Development
Barbara LUCK, Staff Attorney
Sable BELTRAN, Junior Planner
Laura JUSZAK, Administrative Secretary

Chair MROZ opened the Planning Commission meeting explaining the rules of conduct.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Agenda Item:	1
	Planning Commission minutes of June 20, 2023

Motion was made by CIRCO, seconded by SOTTILE, to approve the June 20, 2023 minutes; motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARING ITEM:

Agenda Item:	2
Project Name:	1274 Oakdale Ave. (Best Inn & Suites)
Request:	Consider amendment or revocation of Conditional Use Permit No. 252 for a lodging establishment
CEQA Recommendation:	Exempt
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:	Approve Amendment
Location:	1274 Oakdale Ave.
Applicant:	City of El Cajon
Project Planner:	Noah Alvey; 619-441-1795; nalvey@elcajon.gov
City Council Hearing Required?	No
Recommended Actions:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Conduct the public hearing; and2. MOVE to adopt the next resolutions in order, approving the CEQA exemption and an Amendment of CUP No. 252 subject to conditions.

ALVEY summarized the staff report through a PowerPoint presentation. ALVEY also informed COMMISSIONERS that the proposed resolution had been amended after the posting of the agenda. A copy was provided to each COMMISSIONER as well as the applicant.

COMMISSIONERS asked questions with ALVEY providing answers.

MROZ opened the public hearing.

Hotel owner representative Pooja PATEL spoke regarding the property and management's efforts since the previous meeting.

Motion was made by MROZ, seconded by POLLACK-RUDE, to close the public hearing; motion carried 5-0.

COMMISSIONERS discussed the item.

Motion was made by POLLACK-RUDE, seconded by EDISON, to adopt the next resolutions in order APPROVING the CEQA exemption and the amended resolution amending Conditional Use Permit No. 252 (CUP-2023-0008), subject to conditions, and directing staff to schedule a review within 180 days; motion carried 5-0.

OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

Agenda Item:	3
Project Name:	Administrative Determinations Report
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:	ACCEPT REPORT
Recommended Actions:	3. Discuss the administrative determinations report; and, 4. ACCEPT report.

BELTRAN summarized the staff report through a PowerPoint presentation.

Commissioners asked questions of BELTRAN and ALVEY.

Motion was made by MROZ, seconded by CIRCO, to accept the report; motion carried 5-0.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

ALVEY indicated that staff anticipates cancellation of the Planning Commission Meeting scheduled for September 5, 2023.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS/COMMENTS:

COMMISSIONERS asked questions regarding active projects with ALVEY providing answers

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by POLLACK-RUDE, seconded by CIRCO, to adjourn the meeting of the El Cajon Planning Commission at 7:27 p.m. this 15th Day of August, 2023, until 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 5, 2023; motion carried 5-0.



Rebecca POLLACK-RUDE, Vice Chair

ATTEST:



Noah ALVEY, Secretary