



Town of Paradise Valley

6401 E Lincoln Dr
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253

Minutes - Final

Planning Commission

Tuesday, November 5, 2019

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Town Attorney Andrew M. Miller
Community Development Director Jeremy Knapp
Planner George Burton

2. ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Commissioner Jonathan Wainwright
Commissioner James Anton
Commissioner Thomas G. Campbell
Commissioner Charles Covington
Commissioner Pamela Georgelos
Commissioner Orme Lewis

Absent 1 - Commissioner Daran Wastchak

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

4. STUDY SESSION ITEMS

- A. [19-384](#) Continued Discussion of Upcoming Planning Commission Annual Update to Town Council

Jeremy Knapp, Community Development Director, stated there is no staff presentation. This is a continuation of the discussion held in the last meeting. He indicated that in the action report there is a summary of what was discussed in the last meeting. Tonight, the focus is on creating a list of items to be discussed with the Town Council at the December 5, 2019 meeting. He mentioned the Town Council will hold their retreat in January 2020.

Chairman Wainwright invited others to attend the Town Council meeting on December 5, 2019. He highlighted the items from his list as follows:

- Thanking the Town Council for an opportunity to serve
- The Planning Commission has a diverse set of skills
- Overall state of the Planning Commission is excellent

- The Commission is very respectful to applicants and encourages public input
- Citizens feel that they have been heard
- Staff is excellent and he will recognize all of them by name
- Recognize the good relationship they have with Hugo Vasquez
- Majority of activity is reviewing Special Use Permits
- Provide an overview of the resorts
- Recognize medical office within the city
- He mentioned that he is sorry that Lincoln Plaza Medical has not developed
- Recognize churches and their reduced membership and challenges they are experiencing

Commissioner Lewis asked if there are occasions when a citizen could have five minutes to make a plea to the Planning Commission on something they feel was missed.

Mr. Miller indicated that the Commission typically does not have a call-to-the-public where citizens can make comments about things not on the agenda. He mentioned the Town Council is the place for citizens to bring up these concerns.

Chairman Wainwright noted they have always allowed citizens to speak and the timer is not used. People are afforded an opportunity to voice their concerns. He then continued speaking about the Town Council presentation. He mentioned that he will not cover things like noticing. He asked if the Planning Commission had anything else to add.

Commissioner Anton asked if he will cover items that they want the Council to speak about in their retreat.

Chairman Wainwright commented that the Planning Commissioners can submit their comments in writing.

Commissioner Lewis commented that they should speak about the manner in which new buildings and residential are constructed. The plans show compliance with exterior lighting regulations and after a few months, lighting is increased substantially. He stated that this is a very sensitive issue.

Chairman Wainwright mentioned they have spoken a lot as a Planning Commission in the past about lighting and can bring it up at the meeting.

Commissioner Georgelos asked if there would be any recap on projects they worked on over the year.

Chairman Wainwright mentioned that the presentation is different from last year.

Vice Mayor Moore stated they don't need to get into granular details of projects but should talk more about current items they are working on and general concerns.

Commissioner Anton commented that they can talk about ways to notify the public at a higher level.

Jeremy Knapp commented last year they had slides on specific projects, but this is not what the Town Council is looking for this year.

Commissioner Anton stated that last year they finished Paradise Valley Medical and then neighbors came out to the Town Council with concerns. He suggested they could have done better at vetting the project with the neighbors prior to getting to the Town Council.

Commissioner Campbell mentioned that some residents will purposely hold back their comments until projects get to the Town Council.

Chairman Wainwright stated that when people come forward, they give them ample opportunity to be heard.

Commissioner Campbell mentioned that this could be a strategy from the neighborhood.

No Reportable Action

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

6. ACTION ITEMS

None

7. CONSENT AGENDA

A. [19-388](#) Approval of October 15, 2019 Planning Commission Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Georgelos, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, to approve the October 15, 2019 minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Wainwright, Commissioner Anton, Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Covington, Commissioner Georgelos and Commissioner Lewis

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Wastchak

8. STAFF REPORTS

None

9. PUBLIC BODY REPORTS

None

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Knapp indicated that they will meeting November 19, 2019 regarding a minor amendment for Lincoln Plaza Medical Center to reduce on site parking and to add an outdoor oxygen tank enclosure. Depending our how this work study goes, they could hold another work study on December 3, 2019 and take action on December 17, 2019. He mentioned they have lots of items in pre-application and things will get busy starting in January. Commissioner Campbell stated that he may still be in Kansas City on November 19, 2019. He requested directions to phone in for that meeting. Mr. Knapp commented that the December meetings are on December 3 & 17.

11. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Anton at 6:37 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Campbell, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Commissioner Wainwright, Commissioner Anton, Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Covington, Commissioner Georgelos and Commissioner Lewis

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Wastchak

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By: 
Jeremy Knapp, Secretary