

**CITY OF LA VERNE
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, January 13, 2016**

1. Chairperson Ivey called the regular meeting of the La Verne Planning Commission to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Planning Commissioners present: Gilbert Ivey, Wendy Lau, Norm Faustini, Phil May, and Norman Smith. Advisory personnel present: Community Development Director Hal Fredericksen, City Attorney Bob Kress, Principal Planner Eric Scherer, Associate Planner Rafferty Wooldridge, Assistant Planner Collin Wahab, and Administrative Secretary Darleen Foye.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Smith led the pledge of allegiance.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

It was moved by Commissioner Faustini seconded by Commissioner May to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2015 Planning Commission meeting as submitted. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONTINUED

**5. CASE NO. 116-15PPR
MR. D'S RETAIL BUILDING
919 FOOTHILL BLVD.**

This being the time and place advertised to consider the above case and all legal requirements having been met, Chairperson Ivey asked for the staff report.

Community Development Director Hal Fredericksen stated that this item was continued from last month. He stated that he has met with the applicant to discuss the reciprocal parking and access agreement with the neighboring property. He recommended opening the public hearing and continuing the item to time not definite.

Chairperson Ivey opened the public hearing.

There was no one who wished to speak on this item.

Chairperson Ivey closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner Lau to table this item and re-notice it at a later time. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

**6. CASE NOS. 35-15TTM, 36-15ZC, 37-15ZA & 38-15TR
SAGE CANYON – RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION
1977 GOLDEN HILLS ROAD**

This being the time and place advertised to consider the above case and all legal requirements having been met, Chairperson Ivey asked for the staff report.

Principal Planner Eric Scherer is asking for continuance on this item. He stated that the applicant is proposing a 14-unit single-family residential subdivision at 1977 Golden Hills Road.

Mr. Scherer stated that staff had been reviewing the project and also entered into a contract with LSA Associates to prepare an environmental document for the project.

On December 21, 2015, staff was made aware of a significant issue that could have serious ramifications for the proposed project by a staff member of the California Department of Fish and Game.

Mr. Scherer stated that staff would like to study the CEQA requirements and continue this item to a time not definite. He noted that the Public Hearing would be re-noticed.

Chairperson Ivey opened the public hearing

Kathy Winsor, resident of La Verne and on the La Verne Land Conservancy Board stated that while Mr. Simison is a great neighbor, his proposed project encroaches on open space at great expense. She stated that it would be too close to the blue line stream water shed area.

Ms. Winsor stated that she has worked for 10 years to preserve the open space and to use it for fuel modification would be wrong. She noted the need to plot the homes differently to protect them from fire, but it is not appropriate to encroach.

Ms. Winsor stated that the mitigated negative declaration does not recognize the blue line stream. She noted that she has worked hard for the open space for passive recreation.

There was no one else who wished to speak on this item.

Chairperson Ivey closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Commissioner Faustini, seconded by Commissioner May to table this item and re-notice it at a later time. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

**7. CASE NOS. 152-15PPR, 153-15CUP & 154-15VAR
NEW VERIZON TOWER AT SIERRA LA VERNE COUNTRY CLUB
6300 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE.**

This being the time and place advertised to consider the above case and all legal requirements having been met, Chairperson Ivey asked for the staff report.

Principal Planner Eric Scherer presented his staff report which was a request by Cortel, representing Verizon, to construct a 65' monopole wireless facility designed as a eucalyptus tree adjacent to the clubhouse at Sierra La Verne Country Club.

Mr. Scherer stated that there is an existing T-Mobile mono pole that was approved and constructed in 2008 and a separate AT&T monopole was approved last year on the site, but has not been constructed.

Mr. Scherer stated that a full notice was sent to a 300 foot radius of the property. He noted that staff received one letter of support.

Mr. Scherer stated that staff and the Development Review Committee recommend approval of Resolution No. 1163.

The applicant thanked staff for their efforts on this proposal.

Chairperson Ivey opened the public hearing.

There was no one who wished to speak on this item.

Commissioner Lau asked why the delay for AT&T. Mr. Scherer stated that they intend to move forward.

Commissioner May asked what the distance was to the nearest neighbor. Mr. Scherer stated approximately 300 feet to the residences on Birdie Drive.

City Attorney Bob Kress stated that he and Eric discussed AT&T and opportunity for co-location.

It was moved by Commissioner Faustini, seconded by Commissioner Lau to approve Resolution No. 1163. Motion carried by a 5- 0 vote.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m. to the regular meeting to be held February 10, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Chairperson, Planning Commission

ATTEST:

Secretary, Planning Commission