

**TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 13, 2013**

Chair Humphreville called the regular meeting of the Yucca Valley Planning Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. Commissioners present were, Bridenstine, Drozd, Whitten and Chair Humphreville. Commissioner Lavender was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Humphreville.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Whitten moved to approve the agenda. Vice Chair Bridenstine seconded. Motion carried 4-0-1 on a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARING

1. DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT, DCA 06-13, ARTICLE 4

Chair Humphreville opened the public hearing for DCA 06-13, Article 4.

Deputy Town Manager Shane Stueckle presented the staff report regarding DCA 06-13. Stueckle explained that Article 4 Permit Procedures establishes the review authority and permit processing procedures for the land use permits established in the Yucca Valley Development Code. Processing applications including, but not limited to, General Plan Amendments, Development Code Amendments, Conditional Use Permits, Site Plan Reviews, and all other land use permits issued by the Town.

Stueckle continued to explain that the item was not ready for review, but since the hearing was publicly advertised, it is required to hold the hearing to allow for public input. Staff recommends continuing the item until the Planning Commission meeting of August 27, 2013.

With no members of the public wishing to speak on the item, Chair Humphreville closed the public hearing.

Commission Whitten inquired if vacation rentals were included with conditional use permits.

Vice Chair Bridenstine commented on the square footage allowances included in each of the tables.

Chair Humphreville questioned the activity of vacation rentals in Yucca Valley. Deputy Town Manager Stueckle replied, stating that according to the Town's Transient Occupancy Tax activity, there are two vacation rentals paying the appropriate taxes in Yucca Valley.

Commissioner Whitten moved to hold the public hearing and take public testimony and that the Planning Commission continue the matter to the meeting of August 27, 2013. Commissioner Drozd seconded. Motion carried 4-0-1

STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Deputy Town Manager Stueckle stated that earthwork as commenced at the Senior Housing Project and Super Walmart is close in finishing. Staff has had discussion with developers for the front parcels of the Home Depot Center. Desert Vista Village continues to move forward. Stueckle continued to give updates on the local golf course plans and the Yucca Valley Animal Shelter.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND REQUESTS

Commissioner Drozd thanked staff for their work on the Development Code

Commission Whitten inquired about the housing project on Acoma, and questioned the reasoning behind the stop sign at the corner of Avalon and Palisades. Deputy Town Manager Stueckle explained that because the major development in the area, the high volume of traffic warranted the stop sign. Whitten continued by questioning the speed limits and enforcement on local residential streets.

Vice Chair Bridenstine commented on the inclusion of bike routes in the Town's General Plan and thanked staff.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting of the Yucca Valley Planning Commission will be held at 6 p.m.

on Tuesday, August 27, 2013.

With no further business, Chair Humphreville adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lesley Copeland, CMC
Town Clerk