

CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH

Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes



September 17, 2024
Open Session 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
1315 Valley Drive
Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Pederson called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Izant.

3. ROLL CALL

Administrative Assistant Melanie Hurtado announced a quorum.

Members Present: Chairperson David Pedersen, Vice Chair Kate Hirsh,
Commissioner Peter Hoffman, Commissioner Stephen Izant,
Commissioner Michael Flaherty

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Chairperson Pedersen provided comments.

Commissioner Izant provided comments.

City Attorney Donegan provided comments.

Motion: To approve the consent calendar.

**6.a ACTION MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR
MEETING OF AUGUST 20, 2024 - 24-CDD-053**

Staff recommends Planning Commission receive and file the action minutes of the Planning Commission regular meeting of August 20, 2024

6.b ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO DENY CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 23-13 FOR A PRESCHOOL AT 210 PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY IN THE (SPA) 7 ZONE - 24-CDD-050

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission adopt Resolution No. 24-08 denying Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 23-13 for a preschool with outdoor play area at 210 Pacific Coast Highway and determine the denial of the project is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Moved by: Commissioner Stephen Izant

Seconded by: Vice Chair Kate Hirsh

Ayes (5): Chairperson David Pedersen, Vice Chair Kate Hirsh, Commissioner Peter Hoffman, Commissioner Stephen Izant, and Commissioner Michael Flaherty

Motion Carries

7. PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearing items.

8. STAFF ITEMS

8.a REQUEST FOR MURAL DETERMINATION MD 24-01 FOR A 750-SQUARE FOOT PAINTED DISPLAY ON THE EASTERLY WALL OF AN EXISTING CHURCH LOCATED AT 730 11TH STREET (GUIDESTONE CHURCH) - 24-CDD-049

Contract Planner Sophia Matheney provided a presentation.

Chairperson Pedersen provided comments.

Commissioner Hoffman provided comments.

City Attorney Patrick Donegan provided comments.

- In-Person Public Comment:

1. Eric Horre

2. Brett Armstrong

Chairperson Pedersen provided comments.

Commissioner Hoffman provided comments.

Commissioner Izant provided comments.

Chairperson Pedersen provided comments.

Motion: To adopt Resolution No. 24-17 finding the artistic rendering consistent with the definition of a mural in Hermosa Beach Municipal Code (HBMC) Section 17.50.030; and determine that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Moved by: Commissioner Peter Hoffman

Seconded by: Commissioner Michael Flaherty

Ayes (5): Chairperson David Pedersen, Vice Chair Kate Hirsh, Commissioner Peter Hoffman, Commissioner Stephen Izant, and Commissioner Michael Flaherty

Motion Carries

8.b COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR REPORT

Director Tai reported the City Council meeting of September 10th, City Council adopted a resolution approving and re-adopting the revised Housing Element in the form certified by the State of California, which completes our Housing Element update process. The task of implementation now begins which includes different actions with outreach, informational products, and website updates to facilitate the development of the many types of housing that will be needed to fulfill the City's regional housing needs assessment.

At the same meeting, City Council discussed the Parking in-Lieu fee. A study was conducted over the past two years and an informational item was presented showing that the market rate cost has drastically increased. City Council directed Staff to take a more holistic look at the City's parking requirement through the Zoning Code update. It will return to the Planning Commission and after the program is developed, if a fee is still needed, the fee will commensurate with the structure of the program at that time.

At the upcoming September 24th City Council meeting, former Planning Commissioner Marie Rice will be recognized for her contributions to the Commission.

9. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

Chairperson Pedersen provided comments.

Commissioner Hoffman provided comments.

City Attorney Donegan provided comments.

Chairperson Pedersen provided comments.

Commissioner Izant provided comments.

Director Tai provided comments.

Planning Manager Oropeza provided comments.

Commissioner Izant provided comments.
Chairperson Pedersen provided comments.
Commissioner Hoffman provided comments.
City Attorney Donegan provided comments.
Chairperson Pedersen provided comments.
Commissioner Izant provided comments.
Director Tai provided comments.
Chairperson Pedersen provided comments.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10.a PLANNING COMMISSION TENTATIVE FUTURE AGENDA - 24-CDD-054

Motion: To receive and file the October 15, 2024 Planning Commission tentative future agenda.

Moved by: Commissioner Peter Hoffman
Seconded by: Commissioner Michael Flaherty

Ayes (5): Chairperson David Pedersen, Vice Chair Kate Hirsh, Commissioner Peter Hoffman, Commissioner Stephen Izant, and Commissioner Michael Flaherty

Motion Carries

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: Commissioner Kate Hirsh
Seconded by: Commissioner Stephen Izant

A voice vote was taken on this item.

Ayes (5): Chairperson David Pedersen, Vice Chair Kate Hirsh, Commissioner Peter Hoffman, Commissioner Stephen Izant, and Commissioner Michael Flaherty

Motion Carries

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.