



APPROVED MINUTES

SUNNYVALE HOUSING AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 2010

The Housing & Human Services Commission met in a regular session in the West Conference Room at 456 West Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale City Hall, Sunnyvale, CA 94088 on May 26, 2010 at 7:04 p.m. with Chair Anderson presiding.

ROLL CALL

Commission Members Present: Eric Anderson, Hannalore Dietrich, Fred Fowler, Younil Jeong, Mathieu Pham.

Commission Members Absent: Dori Hailu (excused)

Staff Present: Suzanne Isé, Housing Officer, and Edith Alanis, Housing Programs Technician.

SCHEDULED PRESENTATION

Annual Member Recognition by Mayor Hamilton

Mayor Hamilton thanked the Commissioners for their service.

She explained that in the past the City has held an event to recognize all volunteers, especially the ones that are ending their terms. However, due to budget constraints, this year she is visiting each commission instead.

The Housing and Human Services Commission does not have any member whose term is ending.

Light refreshments were provided.

She also announced that a new commissioner that will start on July 1st has been appointed to the Housing and Human Services Commission.

Chair Anderson asked if there were any questions for the Mayor.

She gave an update on the progress of the downtown project; mentioned that Nokia will be moved in by the end of this year; and commented that the theaters should be completed by the end of next year.

Lastly, she advised that Murphy Street will reopen on June 4th.

Mayor Hamilton stayed for a portion of the meeting and shared some anecdotes throughout.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A Draft Minutes of April 28, 2010.

Chair Anderson asked for a motion to approve the minutes of April 28, 2010.

Commissioner Fowler moved and Vice Chair Pham seconded to approve the Minutes of April 28, 2010.

Motion passed unanimously 5-0

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

2. Overview of Sunnyvale's Housing Policies

Chair Anderson asked Commissioner Fowler to initiate the discussion.

Commissioner Fowler handed out excerpts of the policies to be discussed and a list of the goals and policies.

He explained Sunnyvale's housing philosophy, as he understands it, and how zoning and rezoning affect the City's housing goals.

As part of the discussion Commissioner Fowler took some time to explain zoning in some detail for the benefit of the newer commissioners, as well as how density and zoning work together.

Commissioner Dietrich left at 8:10 p.m.

There was some review of mobile home zoning and below market rate housing and how it relates to the provision of affordable housing.

Commissioners requested more information about mixed density development in other jurisdictions.

Commissioner Fowler moved and Commissioner Jeong seconded to add to an item to the July agenda to discuss the mixed use tool kit study issue that is scheduled for this year, and to discuss mixed density development in order to decide if the commission wants to make a recommendation to Council to study one or the other, or both.

Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

Commissioner Fowler advised that there is a meeting of the General Plan Consolidation Committee on May 27th and that he wanted to review the policies that are being recommended for removal.

Commissioner Fowler reviewed the list of documents/sections that Planning staff recommended for removal which are within the purview of this Commission.

Commissioner Pham left at 8:45 p.m.

All Commissioners present agreed with staff's recommendations of policies to be removed from the General Plan document.

3. Commission Review of Recommended FY 2010-11 Budget

Officer Isé gave an overview of the budget process and reviewed the material that was included in their packets.

She also explained that there are several different housing funds.

She further explained that the budget has undergone a major restructure and there was no simple way to compare to last year's numbers and goals to those proposed for the next two years.

Commissioner Fowler moved and Commissioner Jeong seconded to advise Council that the Commission reviewed the 2010-2011 budgetary information and it recommends that Council adopt it.

Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

- BOARDMEMBERS OR COMMISSIONERS ORAL COMMENTS
 - Chair Anderson briefly reported on his attendance to the Cities for all Ages event that took place on May 25th at the Sunnyvale Community Center. He reiterated that the focus was on the forward-looking idea of mixed use zoning and mixed density.
 - He also mentioned that he attended the Council meeting of May 12th, but did not stay until the end. Officer Isé commented that the Consolidation Plan and Action Plan item passed unanimously. Chair Anderson noted that the City Council takes the Housing and Human Services Commission's recommendations seriously.
 - Commissioner Fowler commented that it was a compliment to the Housing and Human Services Commission that the items passed without questions.
- STAFF ORAL COMMENTS
NONE

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

NONE

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Fowler moved and Commissioner Jeong seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Isé
Housing Officer