



City of Fort Bragg

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Meeting Minutes Planning Commission

Wednesday, August 28, 2019

6:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N.Main Street

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Vice Chair Miklose called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

- Present** 4 - Vice Chair Stan Miklose, Commissioner Jay Andreis, Commissioner Michelle Roberts, and Commissioner Jeremy Logan
- Absent** 1 - Chair Nancy Rogers

Director Jones states that the Conduct of Business Item 5A. will be pulled and continued at a later date.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Logan, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye:** 4 - Vice Chair Miklose, Commissioner Andreis, Commissioner Roberts and Commissioner Logan
- Absent:** 1 - Chair Rogers

[19-404](#)

Approve the Minutes of August 14, 2019

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Leslie Kashawada spoke in favor of regulating vegetation removal and provided a hand out to the Planning Commission.

Rex Gressett spoke in favor of regulating vegetation removal.

Annemarie Weibel spoke in favor of a moratorium and would like an educational event regarding the dangers of electric magnetic energy from small cell towers.

3. DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 4A.** [19-396](#) Receive Report, Conduct Public Hearing, and Adopt a Resolution Providing a Recommendation to City Council Regarding an Inland Land Use and Development Code Amendment Permitting and Regulating Cannabis Businesses

Vice Chair Miklose opened the Public Hearing at 6:12 PM.

Public Works Manager Perkins presented the prepared report to the commission.

The Commission asked clarifying questions regarding definitions.

Rex spoke in opposition of permit requirements for cannabis business.

Jon McColley spoke in favor of the City having a forward vision regarding cannabis businesses, from the podium Mr. McColley answered questions that the commissioners had regarding retail components and gave detail about state licenses processes.

Simeon Adams from sovergine approached the podium and spoke in favor of Fort Bragg allowing cultivation in the City limits with the minor use permit. Mr. Adams spoke in favor of allowing the state to regulate the industry.

Jonah Larkin spoke in favor of a narrow definition of youth center.

Jacob Patterson also spoke in favor of following staff recommendation and removing the term youth center.

Adam Mitchell from root one botanical spoke in favor of limiting franchise cannabis companies via the use permit process and spoke in favor of a tourist component be added to the permitting process and gave staff praise on the hard work.

Public Hearing closed at 7:22 PM.

Commissioner Logan is opposed to any regulations above and beyond current alcohol and tobacco regulations.

Commissioner Roberts also states that she would like to remove youth center from the policy.

Commissioner Miklose spoke in favor removing the buffer requirements from the ILDUC and use the review process for the use permit as an opportunity to make a decision.

A motion was made by Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Logan, that these Planning Resolution be approved and sent to the City Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Vice Chair Miklose, Commissioner Andreis, Commissioner Roberts and Commissioner Logan

Absent: 1 - Chair Rogers

5. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

5A. [19-398](#) Receive Report and Provide Interpretation to Staff Regarding Definition for Major Vegetation Removal in the Coastal Zone

This Planning Staff Report was not acted on

6. MATTERS FROM CHAIR/COMMISSIONERS/STAFF

Director Jones reports that chair Rodgers has appointed Commissioner Logan and Andreis for the Millsite Ad-Hoc Committee.

Vice Chair Miklose states he would like staff to reach out to Caltrans regarding a pedestrian crossing on Highway One.

Director Jones reminded the Planning Commission to email their top three housing priorities. Director Jones reminded staff about the Public Meeting regarding the Millsite on September 21 st at 9:00 AM. Staff updated the Commission on current projects and Code enforcement activities.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Miklose adjourned the meeting at 7:41 PM.

Nancy Rogers, Chair

Joanna Gonzalez, Administrative Assistant

IMAGED (_____)