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# MINUTES

OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
CITY OF COACHELLA  
PLANNING COMMISSION

**April 19, 2023**  
6:00 PM

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PURSUANT ASSEMBLY BILL 361, ALONG WITH THE GOVERNOR'S STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION ISSUED ON MARCH 4, 2020, THIS MEETING MAY BE CONDUCTED VIA TELECONFERENCE.

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**CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 P.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Commissioner Ramirez

**ROLL CALL:**

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Ramirez, Vice Chair Hernandez, Alternate Commissioner Fonseca, Chair Gonzalez, Commissioner Murillo.

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Arvizu.

Staff Present:

\*Gabriel Perez, Development Services Director.

\*Eva Lara, Planning Technician.

\*Anahi Fernandez, Management Analyst.

\*Jason Stevens, Information Technology Manager.

\*Jesus Medina, Information Technology Technician.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

“At this time the Commission may announce any items being pulled from the agenda or continued to another date or request the moving of an item on the agenda.”

IT WAS MOVED BY VICE CHAIR HERNANDEZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RAMIREZ TO NOMINATE COMISIONER GONZALEZ FOR CHAIRPERSON.

Approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner Ramirez, Vice Chair Hernandez, Alternate Commissioner Fonseca, Commissioner Murillo, Chair Gonzalez.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Commissioner Arvizu.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

1. Draft Planning Commission Minutes – April 5, 2023.

IT WAS MOVED BY VICE CHAIR HERNANDEZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURILLO TO NOMINATE COMISIONER HERNANDEZ FOR VICE-CHAIRPERSON.

Approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner Ramirez, Vice Chair Hernandez, Alternate Commissioner Fonseca, Commissioner Murillo, Chair Gonzalez.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Commissioner Arvizu.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS):**

“The public may address the Commission on any item of interest to the public that is not on the agenda, but is within the subject matter jurisdiction thereof. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes.”

**REPORTS AND REQUESTS:**

None.

**NON-HEARING ITEMS:**

2. Citywide Wireless Telecommunications Facility Communication update.

Anahi Fernandez, Management Analyst, narrated a power point presentation for the item. A copy of the presentation is on file in the Planning Division.

Commissioners requested staff to mail certified letters to notify the operators of Wireless Telecommunication Facilities, that they are not in Compliance and that the sites be brought into compliance.

**PUBLIC HEARING CALENDAR (QUASI-JUDICIAL):**

3. AMPM – Type 21 Alcohol Sales Conditional Use Permit No. 364 to allow liquor sales (ABC License Type 21, Off-Sale General) at the “AMPM” convenience store in an existing commercial building located at 48055 Grapefruit Blvd. GSC & Son Corporation (Applicant)

Eva Lara, Planning Technician, narrated a power point presentation for the item. A copy of the presentation is on file in the Planning Division.

Andrew Simons, City Engineer, made himself available and provided comments.

Public Hearing Opened at 7:07 pm by Chair Gonzalez.

Public Hearing Closed at 7:08 pm by Chair Gonzalez.

IT WAS MOVED BY CHAIR GONZALEZ AND SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR HERNANDEZ TO APPROVE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 364 WITH THE FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS LISTED IN RESOLUTION PC 2023-08 IN ADDITION TO ADDING THE FOLLOWING CONDITION:

13. The applicant shall install a new Street Light to provide lighting for the new sidewalk extension along the frontage of the southeast portion of the commercial center (along Grapefruit Blvd.) of the vacant lot 603-220-057 within 6 months of the approval of CUP 364.

Approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner Ramirez, Alternate Commissioner Fonseca, Commissioner Murillo, Vice Chair Hernandez, Chair Gonzalez.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Commissioner Arvizu.

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**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by,

*Gabriel J. Perez*

Gabriel J Perez (Jul 18, 2023 17:24 PDT)

Gabriel Perez

Planning Commission Secretary

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