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# MINUTES

OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
CITY OF COACHELLA  
PLANNING COMMISSION

**March 15, 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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IF YOU WISH, YOU MAY LEAVE A MESSAGE AT (760) 398-3102, EXTENSION 122, BEFORE 4:00 P.M. ON THE DAY OF THE MEETING.

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Commissioner Jason Hernandez

**ROLL CALL:**

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Arvizu, Commissioner Fonseca, Commissioner Hernandez, Commissioner Murillo, Commissioner Ramirez, Commissioner Gonzalez.

Staff Present: \*Gabriel Perez, Development Services Director.  
\*Anahi Fernandez, Management Analyst  
\*Jason Stevens, Information Technology Manager.  
\*Jesus Medina, Information Technology Technician.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

Selection of Planning Commission Chair and Vice-Chair

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ARVIZU TO NOMINATE COMISIONER GONZALEZ FOR CHAIRPERSON.

Approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner Arvizu, Commissioner Hernandez, Commissioner Murillo, Commissioner Ramirez, Commissioner Gonzalez.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

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

Approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner Arvizu, Commissioner Hernandez, Commissioner Murillo, Commissioner Ramirez, Commissioner Gonzalez.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

**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 MURILLO TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

Approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner Arvizu, Vice-Chair Hernandez, Commissioner Murillo, Commissioner Ramirez, Chair Gonzalez.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

1. Draft Planning Commission Minutes – February 15, 2023.

IT WAS MOVED BY VICE-CHAIR HERNANDEZ AND SECONDED BY CHAIR GONZALEZ TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

Approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner Arvizu, Vice-Chair Hernandez, Commissioner Murillo, Commissioner Ramirez, Chair Gonzalez.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

**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. Coachella Wireless Telecommunications Facilities Inventory and Status 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 notify the operators of Wireless Telecommunication Facilities within 30 days that they are not in Compliance and that the sites be brought into compliance within 90 days. Commissioners also requested the following for consideration for future facilities:

- Develop standard conditions.

- Landscape agreement.

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

3. Architectural Review No. 22-07 - Proposed construction of a 5,400 square foot industrial building for Jordan Central Implement Co., a retail farm equipment dealership providing sales, rental, service, replacement parts, with parking and site improvements located on 2.51 acres at the northwest corner of Avenue 54 and Polk Street. Applicant: Chris Ellison.

Gabriel Perez, Development Services Director, narrated a power point presentation for the item. A copy of the presentation is on file in the Planning Division.

Public Hearing Opened at 6:42 pm by Chair Gonzalez.

Public Hearing Closed at 6:43 pm by Chair Gonzalez.

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

Public Hearing Re-Opened at 6:52 pm by Chair Gonzalez

Allen Rollin, General Manager with Diggins Construction, made himself available and provided comments.

Public Hearing Closed at 6:43 pm by Chair Gonzalez.

IT WAS MOVED BY VICE-CHAIR HERNANDEZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RAMIREZ TO APPROVE THE CONTINUATION OF ITEM NUMBER TWO (2) FOR THE NEXT PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING ON APRIL 5, 2023 AND REQUESTED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM APPLICANT INCLUDING:

- Landscape and maintenance agreement.
- Developer cost analysis related to undergrounding utilities.

Approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner Arvizu, Vice-Chair Hernandez, Commissioner Murillo, Commissioner Ramirez, Chair Gonzalez.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

**INFORMATIONAL:**

- League of California Cities Planning Commissioners Academy, March 29 thru March 31, 2023.
- Design session with Henry Lenny, AIA at City Hall March 18, 2023 with a presentation and a walk through downtown.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:04 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Gabriel J Perez

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Planning Commission Secretary

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Development Services Department at 53-990 Enterprise Way, Coachella, California, and on the  
City's website [www.coachella.org](http://www.coachella.org).*

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Signature: *Gabriel J Perez*  
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