



CITY OF MILPITAS

Planning Commission

MEETING MINUTES

7:00 PM

Wednesday, January 11, 2023
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
455 E CALAVERAS BLVD, MILPITAS, CA
and
via TELECONFERENCE (Zoom Webinar)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Chuan called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Awasthi led the pledge of allegiance.

CEREMONIAL SWEARING IN OF RE-APPOINTED PLANNING COMMISSIONERS – Mayor Montano

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR 2023 – City Attorney Michael Multalipassi

Albana nominated Bill Chuan as Chair/Second Ciardella
Ayes: 6

Chuan nominated Larry Ciardella as Vice Chair/Second Medina-Ashby
Ayes: 6

ROLL CALL

Recording Secretary Elizabeth Medina called the roll.

PRESENT: Chair Chuan, Vice Chair Ciardella, Commissioners Albana, Galang, Awasthi, and Medina-Ashby

ABSENT: Mohsin

STAFF: Ned Thomas, Michael Multalipassi, Alex Andrade, Hanson Hom, Elizabeth Medina

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

City Attorney Michael Multalipassi asked if any member of the Commission had any personal or financial conflict of interest related to any of the items on the agenda and there were none.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

By motion, approve the meeting agenda for January 11, 2023.

Motion/Second Medina-Ashby/Albana
Motion carried by a vote of AYES: 6 NOES: 0

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

By motion, approve the meeting minutes for December 14, 2022.

Motion/Second Awasthi/Galang
Motion carried by a vote of AYES: 6 NOES: 0

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Chuan thanked the commission for nominating him for another year as Chair. Chair Chuan also congratulated Vice Chair Ciardella on his nomination as Vice Chair.

Director Ned Thomas shared that the City will host its annual Lunar New Year celebration on Saturday, January 14th from 6pm-8:30pm in the Community Center; next meeting's projects is New Single-Family Hillside Residence at 531 Vista Drive; and, that Recording Secretary, Liz Medina has received a promotion as Deputy City Clerk.

PUBLIC FORUM

Chair Chuan invited members of the public to address the commission and there were none.

PUBLIC HEARING

IX-1 Milpitas General Plan Housing Element (2023-2031) – Citywide: The Planning Commission will receive a presentation from staff and consultants on the City's draft update to the Housing Element of the General Plan and Addendum Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and consider making a recommendation to the City Council. The Housing Element update covers an eight-year planning period from 2023 to 2031 and: 1) analyzes the housing needs of the City across various income categories; 2) provides policy guidance for housing production and conservation in the City, and: 3) identifies sites to accommodate the City's Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) goals. The Housing Element is one of eight State-mandated General Plan elements and is the only General Plan element that requires mandatory review from a State agency – the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). A City Council-approved Housing Element must be submitted to HCD for certification by January 31, 2023. The City has prepared an Addendum to the Milpitas 2040 General Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to comply with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15164 (Addendum to an EIR or Negative Declaration). Staff: Alex Andrade, Economic Development Director, aandrade@milpitas.gov

Economic Development Director Alex Andrade, Senior Special Projects Associate Hanson Hom, and consultant Raimi and Associates, addressed commissioners' clarifying questions regarding hotels rooms being counted toward housing numbers, clarification of projected RHNA numbers needed in specific upcoming years, how can housing numbers be met with the limited land that is left in Milpitas, housing programs (affordable housing, missing middle, below market rate), and inventory of empty lots for housing.

Chair Chuan invited members of the public to address the commission and the following community member spoke: Albert Lustre.

Motion to close the Public Forum.

Motion/Second Albana/Medina-Ashby

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: 6 NOES: 0

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Planning Commission conduct a public hearing and adopt Resolution No. 23-001 recommending that the City Council adopt an Addendum to the Milpitas 2040 General Plan Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) (SCH#: 2020070348) and adopt the Housing Element Update (2023-2031) of the Milpitas General Plan.

Motion/Second Albana/Medina-Ashby

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: 6 NOES: 0

NEW BUSINESS

Review of the Ralph M. Brown Act – City Attorney Michael Mutalipassi

Planning Commission received a presentation from City Attorney Multalipassi about the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code 54950 et seq.).

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Chuan adjourned the meeting at 9:39 pm

Motion/Second Medina-Ashby/Galang

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: 6 NOES: 0

Meeting Minutes submitted by
Planning Commission Secretary Elizabeth Medina