



CITY OF RIDGECREST
100 West California Avenue
Ridgecrest, CA 93555
MINUTES

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST PLANNING COMMISSION
Tuesday February 28, 2012 at 6:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER – 6:05pm**
2. **ROLL CALL**
Present: Chairman Porter, Vice Chairman Beres, Commissioners LeCornu, Sanders & Pope
Absent: None
Staff Present: Matthew Alexander, Ricca Charlon, Loren Culp
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Add item 8c - Building Of Heritage Village Perspective**
Motion to approve Agenda as amended by L. Beres, seconded by C. Pope
5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, and 0 Absent
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - January 24, 2012 Planning Commission Meeting**
Motion to approve Minutes as written by J. Sanders, seconded by C. LeCornu
5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, and 0 Absent
6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA - None**
7. **PUBLIC HEARINGS - None**
8. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**
 - a. **The Village Suites Site Plan Review** - Jim Gregory will present a site plan to update and convert the Heritage Suites and Inn to a full service micro-living condominium complex.
Convert to one bedroom(s) and studio apartments. Occupants would hope to get visiting doctors, contractors, students, retirees.
Public comment - None
Bill Brickey, Fire Marshall – current code is R1, will be going to R2 so renovation would need to be brought to current code which includes fire sprinklers. Kitchen/restaurant would need commercial standards.
Loren Culp, City Engineer – drainage and grading would need to be brought up for any additional building(s) on site.
 - b. **Discussion Of Off Road Vehicles Opportunities Within The Greater Ridgecrest Area –**
Ridgecrest Police Sgt. Mike Myers will make a PowerPoint presentation regarding the opportunities to create safe OHV access between Ridgecrest and the OHV Trail system southerly of the City.
Grants are available for this type of OHV trail access routes.
Public comment:
Doug Lueck – RACVB – fully supportive of the project. He believes BLM is in support of project as well. In his opinion this is a revenue generating project.
Andy Kalkaska – Supports the project but believes should be more than one corridor to keep the dust and noise spread out and not just in one area.
Jerry Taylor – Supports the project and thanks Sgt. Myers for taking up this task.
Bill Brickey – Supports the project.
Matthew Alexander – suggests putting together a task force to move the project forward.

- c. **Building Of Heritage Village Perspective – Jim Gregory**
Planning isn't making the market ... it is working with what the market is.

9. COMMISSIONER ITEMS

a. Report from Committees

- City Org – February meeting cancelled
- CDC – February and March meetings cancelled
- OTAP –
- QOL – No April meeting scheduled
- Infrastructure – discussed developer meetings for the future. March 7, 2012 next meeting

b. Commissioner Contacts

C. LeCornu – Rebecca Neipp – Municipal Code

10. STAFF ITEMS – Land development workshop scheduled for 6pm 2/29/12 here in City Hall.

11. ADJOURN – 8:30pm