



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

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST PLANNING COMMISSION
Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 6:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER – 6:00pm**
2. **ROLL CALL**
Present: Chairman Porter, Vice Chairman Beres, Commissioners Pope and Sanders
Absent: Commissioner LeCornu (excused)
Staff Present: Matthew Alexander, Ricca Charlon, Kelly Hubley, Loren Culp,
Others: Fire Marshall - Bill Brickey
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
Motion to approve Agenda as written by L. Beres, seconded by C. Pope
4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, and 1 Absent
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 28, 2012 Planning Commission Meeting**
Motion to approve Minutes as written by C. Pope, seconded by J. Sanders
4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, and 1 Absent
6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA - None**
7. **PUBLIC HEARING**
 - a. **ZT 12-01 (Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment)** – Consideration of recommending an amendment to **Section 20-1.2 (Definitions)** of the City of Ridgecrest Municipal Code. Applicant: City of Ridgecrest Planning Department. It is proposed that *Family* be redefined as follows: *“Family” shall mean an individual, or two (2) or more persons related by blood or marriage or legal adoption, or a group of not to exceed six (6) persons (excluding servants) living together as a single housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit.*
Motion by C. Pope, seconded by L. Beres, to pass Resolution 12-01 to Council for approval.
4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, and 1 Absent
8. **DISCUSSION ITEM**
 - a. **Mixed Use (MU) Zoning** – The General Plan Land Use Element includes a goal to promote the development of MU projects by reducing reliance on the automobile and provide a variety of housing and commercial options. The General Plan requires that the City establish a MU Zone District. The purpose of this discussion item is to solicit direction from the Planning Commission on behalf of amending the Ridgecrest Zoning Ordinance by creating a MU District.
Planning Commission gave direction to staff to proceed on holding a public hearing on MU Zoning at a future meeting.
9. **COMMISSIONER ITEMS**
 - a. **Report from Committees**
City Org – Beres – has not met
Infrastructure – Sanders – March 19th 5pm
QOL – Pope – has not met
 - b. **Commissioner Contacts - None**
10. **STAFF ITEMS – Consideration of one planning meeting a month going forward.**
11. **ADJOURN – 6:35pm**