

# CITY OF RIDGECREST PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

City Council Chambers  
100 West California Avenue  
Ridgecrest, CA 93555



January 8, 2020  
6:00 PM  
SPECIAL MEETING

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## CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

**ROLL CALL: Chairman Warren Cox, Vice Chairman Solomon Rajaratnam, and Commissioners Bill Farris Jr., Vanessa Hayman- 4 Present**

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: M/S Farris/Hayman. Motion to approve agenda passed by the following vote: Ayes; 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 0; Abstain: 0.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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## PUBLIC COMMENTS OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mike Brown- Commented on housing project.  
Closed at 6:05 PM

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## PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing Opened At 6:06 PM

- 1. Site Plan Review (SPR 19-07)** Site Plan Review (SPR) 19-07, a request for approval to develop a 76-unit affordable housing project for families earning up to 60% of the median income of the Kern County and a density bonus (incentives and concessions) request to reduce the number of parking spaces from 189 required to 108 provided. The proposed project is located on 4.56 acres located on the east side of North Norma Street approximately 665 feet north of West Las Flores Avenue.  
Staff report presented by Consultant Planner Asoka Herath.  
Commission participated in discussion.  
Public Comment:  
Mike Brown commented  
Lindsey Stephens commented  
Kyle Blades commented  
Motion: M/S Cox/Rajaratnam. Motion to approve resolution 20-01 and Conditions of approval (COA) with changes to COA #28 to include "against the parcel" approved by the following vote: Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0.

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**COMMISSIONER ITEMS/COMMENTS**

1. Committee Reports
  2. Commissioner Comments
  3. Future Agenda Items
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**STAFF ITEMS**

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**ADJOURNMENT 7:13 PM**

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**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*Pursuant to Government Code section 54954.3 members of the public are afforded the opportunity to address the Commission. This time has been set aside for the public to address the Commission on items NOT listed on the agenda. The Commission will not act upon these items at this meeting other than to review and/or provide direction to staff.*

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