

CITY OF RIDGECREST PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

City Council Chambers
100 West California Avenue
Ridgecrest, CA 93555



January 28, 2020
6:00 PM
REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: M/S Rajaratnam/Farris. Motion was approved by the following vote: Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 0; Abstain: 0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES 10/22/19 & 1/8/20

Motion: M/S Rajaratnam/Hayman. Motion was approved by the following vote: Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Abstain: 0; Noes: 0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. Site Plan Review 19-06** a request for approval to construct a four-story, 96-room hotel (Towneplace Suites by Marriott) on 2.58 acre parcel of land zoned CS (Service Commercial) located at the Southwest corner of Ward Avenue and Chelsea Street.
Staff Report presented by Planning Consultant Asoka Herath.
Commission discussions were had.
Mike Hernandez developer discussed the parking lot design.
Public Comment: 6:23 PM None Made Closed
Commission Action: Motion: M/S Cox/Rajaratnam to approve SPR 19-06 with a correction to the APN was approved by the following vote: Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0.
- 2. Site Plan Review 19-08** a request to construct a new 9,600 sq. ft. building on a developed lot located at 1139 W. Reeves Ave. APN 453-012-07
Staff report presented by Heather Spurlock.
Commission discussions were had.
Public Comment:
James Bell on behalf of the applicant discussed sidewalks and driveway approach.

Commission Action: Motion: *M/S Cox/Farris. Recommend approval of SPR 19-08 with the recommendation to Council that the sidewalk and driveway approach be removed from the conditions of approval passed by the following vote: Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 0; Abstain: 0.*

DISCUSSION AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Tentative Tract Map 6676 Extension-** Consideration for a twelve (12) month extension for tract with 75 lots located at the SE Corner of S. Gateway Boulevard and E. Upjohn Avenue. APN 343-070-34.

Staff report presented by Heather Spurlock

Commission discussion was had.

Public Comment: None Made

Commission Action: Motion: *M/S Cox/Farris. Motion to extend the map 12 months approved by the following vote: Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0.*

COMMISSIONER ITEMS/COMMENTS

1. Committee Assignments
2. Committee Reports
3. Commissioner Comments
4. Future Agenda Items

STAFF ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT 7:20 PM

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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