



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

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST PLANNING COMMISSION
City Council Chambers
Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at 6:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – 6:00pm
2. **ROLL CALL**
Present: Chairman Matt Baudhuin
Commissioners Cecil Yates, Solomon Rajaratnam, Warren Cox
Absent: Commissioner Davis
Staff: City Planner Matthew Alexander, Planning Commission Secretary Ricca Charlton, Code Enforcement Officer Fred Booth, City Engineer Loren Culp
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
Baudhuin – asked to move 10a to February agenda
Motion to Approve Agenda as amended by W. Cox, Seconded by C. Yates.
Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote of 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, and 1 Absent
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Motion to Approve November 24, 2015 Minutes by M. Baudhuin, Seconded by W. Cox. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote of 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, and 1 Absent
6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA - None**
7. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**
 - a) **Pre-Abatement/Public Hearing to Abate Property at 137 S. Sunland St., APN 080-153-12**
 - Code Enforcement Officer Fred Booth reviewed the staff report.
 - Public Comments - None
Motion to Approve Resolution 16-01, Order to Abate 137 S. Sunland, made by W. Cox, Seconded by S. Rajaratnam, Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote of 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, and 1 Absent
8. **DISCUSSION AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS**
 - a) **Median Art Project MAP 16-01**, a proposal by Friends of the Library to erect petroglyphic artwork (*Reading Shaman* by Milt Burford) at N. China Lake Blvd Median Art Site #15.
 - M. Alexander reviewed staff report.
 - Yates – does the traffic mitigation include construction phase (Alexander – Yes)
 - Public Comments – None
Motion to Approve Resolution 16-02, MAP 16-01, Median Art Site #15, made by W. Cox, Seconded by M. Baudhuin. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote of 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, and 1 Absent

- b) **Median Art Project MAP 16-02**, a proposal by JoAnn Bell Trust to erect petroglyphic artwork (*Water Hole* by Olaf Doud) at N. China Lake Blvd Median Art Site #16.
- M. Alexander reviewed staff report
 - Cox – commented on the story behind the *Water Hole* art
 - Rajaratnam – noted on Resolution section 2, item 2 *Reading Shaman needs to be changed to Water Hole*
 - Public Comments – None

Motion to Approve Resolution 16-03 with amendment above, MAP 16-02, Median Art Site #16, made by C. Yates, Seconded by S. Rajaratnam. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote of 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, and 1 Absent

9. COMMISSIONER ITEMS

a) Committee Reports

- Parks and Rec / Quality of life – Baudhuin – No meeting
- Infrastructure – Cox – discussed Middle School- possible funds for traffic mitigation; Downs St. project; water ordinance; sewer plant
- Water Conservation – Yates – No meeting
- Bowman Business Plan – No meeting
- City Org – Rajaratnam – No meeting

b) Commissioner Comments

Yates – Thanked Officer Booth for his efforts

Cox – Thanked City staff for hard work needed for committees

Rajaratnam – Thanked Daily Independent/Jessica Watson for always being present.

Announced IWV Economic Conference February 25, 2016

Baudhuin – Thanked City staff in regards to support efforts with median art projects

10. STAFF ITEMS

a) ~~Planning & Engineering Concepts in New Zealand by City Engineer~~

b) Consideration of Special Planning Commission Workshop in March

- Commissioners agreed to hold the Workshop
- Staff asked for possible dates and topics to be forwarded via email

11. ADJOURN – 6:54pm