

**CITY OF EL CENTRO PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
April 8, 2014**

The El Centro Planning Commission convened in a regular session at the Old Post Office Pavilion, 230 South 5th Street, El Centro, California at 5:30 p.m.

Chairperson Walk presided over the meeting.

PRESENT: Evelia Jimenez
Darian D. Chell
Harold Walk, Chair
Sergio Lopez
Marcela Miranda
Cheyenne Gaddis

ABSENT: Ron Merideth

STAFF PRESENT: Norma M. Villicana, Director of Community Development
Kris Becker, City Attorney
Frank Soto, Acting Building Official
Trey Faubion, Battalion Chief
Abraham Campos, Senior Engineer
Adriana Nava, Associate Planner
Patsy Robinson, Permit Center Technician

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of February 11, 2014.

It was moved by Lopez and seconded by Chell that the minutes be approved as submitted.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Chell, Walk, Lopez, Miranda, Gaddis, Jimenez
Noes: None
Absent Merideth
Abstained: None

Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING

2. Public Hearing – Final Negative Declaration No. 13-07, Wilbur-Ellis Pre-Zone 13-02, and Annexation EC 1-13 – The proposed project involves the pre-zoning and annexation of approximately 24.02 acres of land, owned by Wilbur-Ellis. The project site is located at 45 W. Danenberg Avenue and consists of a hay processing facility that includes a hay processing shed, office building, and hay storage barns. A Negative Declaration has been prepared in conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act.

Ms. Nava described the project site and surrounding uses. Ms. Nava introduced a representative of Wilbur-Ellis, Mr. Chuck Bucher, who then explained that the reason for the annexation was to tie into the existing water line, and eventually tie into the sewer system.

Ms. Nava continued with her presentation. Chairman Walk had a question about “dry fire hydrants” in the presentation, and Ms. Nava introduced Battalion Chief Faubion who then explained what a dry fire hydrant was, and how it would be used in case of an emergency by fire personnel at this location.

The Chairperson opened the public hearing.

None received.

The Chairperson closed the public hearing..

It was moved by Chell and seconded by Lopez that the Planning Commission adopt Planning Commission Resolution No. 14-02 finding that Negative Declaration No. 13-07 was considered for the proposal.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Chell, Walk, Lopez, Miranda, Gaddis, Jimenez
 Noes: None
 Absent Merideth
 Abstained: None

Motion carried

It was moved by Chell and seconded by Lopez that the Planning Commission adopt Planning Commission Resolution No. 14-03 recommending approval of Pre-Zone 13-02, pre-zoning property with APN 054-360-069 to ML (Light Manufacturing).

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Chell, Walk, Lopez, Miranda, Gaddis, Jimenez
 Noes: None
 Absent Merideth
 Abstained: None

Motion carried

It was moved by Chell and seconded by Lopez that the Planning Commission adopt Planning Commission Resolution No. 14-04 recommending approval of Annexation EC 1-13, annexing property with APN 054-360-069, consisting of approximately 24.02 acres

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Chell, Walk, Lopez, Miranda, Gaddis, Jimenez
 Noes: None
 Absent Merideth
 Abstained: None

Motion carried

NON-ACTION INFORMATION ITEMS

Ms. Nava invited the Commissioners to Earth Day, which is being held April 12th, 2014.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None received

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Norma M. Villicaña, AICP
Secretary-Director

Patsy Robinson
Recording Clerk