

**CITY OF FONTANA
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 2, 2008**

A regular meeting of the City of Fontana Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, December 2, 2008, in the Steelworkers Auditorium, in the Lewis Library and Technology Center, 8437 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California. Chairperson Slowik called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Lee, the invocation was given by Commissioner Galasso.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Chairperson Slowik, Commissioners Galasso, Lee, and Meyer.

Absent: Commissioner Young, Jr.

Also Present: Director of Community Development Don Williams, AICP; Senior Planner Charles Fahie, AICP; City Clerk Tonia Lewis; and Planning Commission Secretary Orvene Steenbock (arrived at 6:12 p.m.).

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None.

PUBLIC FORUM:

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Tony Orlich, Randall Avenue, spoke regarding the "lesser of two evils".

ELECTION

CONSENT CALENDAR:

None.

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AGENDA INFORMATION:

AGDA INF

The Planning Commission reviewed the update of future City Council agenda items for the December 9, 2008, meeting, and the Planning Commission items for the December 16, 2008, and January 20, 2009, meetings.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

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Commissioner Galasso removed himself due to possible conflict of interest.

The public hearing was opened regarding **SPECIFIC PLAN NO. 04-006/
ZONE CHANGE NO. 07-005/GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 06-006/
DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, AND DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
REPORT (DEIR) (STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NO. 2006071109) FOR THE**

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ARBORETUM SPECIFIC PLAN (CONT'D FROM 11-18-08): The project is located on the northwest corner of Casa Grande Avenue and Sierra Avenue having a frontage of approximately one mile west on Casa Grande Avenue and a frontage of approximately one mile north on Sierra Avenue. **Staff requests** that the Planning Commission continue this item to the January 20, 2009, Planning Commission hearing to allow the applicant to finalize the Arboretum Specific Plan Development Agreement.

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Staff presentation by Charles Fahie, AICP, staff recommends continuation. No written communication was received. No member of the public spoke in favor or opposition.

Motion made by Commissioner Meyer, seconded by Commissioner Lee, to: 1) Continue **SPECIFIC PLAN NO. 04-006/ZONE CHANGE NO. 07-005/GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 06-006/DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, AND DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DEIR) (STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NO. 2006071109) FOR THE ARBORETUM SPECIFIC PLAN,** to the January 20, 2009, Planning Commission meeting. Motion carried by a vote of 3-0-1, with Commissioner Galasso abstaining.

Commissioner Galasso returned.

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS: None. O C

STAFF REPORTS: None. S F

COMMISSION REMARKS: C R

Commissioner Galasso wished the Planning Commission and everyone a happy holiday season. He expressed his appreciation of working with the Planning Commission and staff this past year.

Commissioner Meyer complimented Planning Commissioner Galasso. He reminded everyone to attend the water rate increase hearings on Wednesday, one at 2:00 p.m. and one at 7:00 p.m. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Commissioner Lee commended the Planning Commission and staff on a very productive year. She wished everyone a peaceful and blessed holiday season.

City Clerk Lewis announced the upcoming Christmas Parade to be held on December 13, 2008. She wished everyone a happy holiday season.

Commissioner Slowik encouraged all Fontana Water Company customers to go to the City of Fontana web-site and fill out the water rate questionnaire, and also to attend one of the water rate hearings planned for 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year. He expressed his thanks to staff.

He reminded everyone of the “Commissioners Burger Challenge” to help raise funds for the Fontana Middle School Travel Club.

DIRECTOR REPORT:

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Director Williams reminded everyone that this is the last Planning Commission meeting of the year and stated it has been a long, tough year for development and planning due to the downturn in the economy. He stated there have been some good projects and successes, especially with the Promenade coming forward. He expressed his thanks to the Planning Commission for its hard work and dedication to the City of Fontana and for the decisions, guidance and support it shows. He thanked the Planning Commissioners for their service to the City of Fontana. He wished the Planning Commission, the City Council, staff and the community a happy holiday season.

PUBLIC FORUM CONTINUED: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

By consensus the Planning Commission canceled the next regular Planning Commission meeting of December 16, 2008, due to lack of items, and adjourned the Planning Commission meeting at 6:18 p.m. to the regular Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, January 20, 2009, at 6:00 p.m., in the Steelworkers Auditorium located in the Lewis Library and Technology Center at 8437 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, CA.

Orvene Steenbock
Planning Commission Secretary

Matthew Slowik
Chairperson