

City of Brawley
Planning Commission Meeting
Minutes for December 2nd, 2015

The Planning Commission of the City of Brawley, California, met in Regular Session at 5:30 PM, City Council Chambers, 383 Main Street, Brawley, California, the date, time, and place duly established for the holding of said meeting. The City Clerk attests to the posting of the agenda pursuant to the G.C.54954.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Acting-Chairman Palacio at 5:30 PM.

Present: Palacio, Castro, Bumbera, Goyal.

Late: None.

Absent: Hutchinson, Marquez, Smith.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: The Planning Commission approves the agenda as presented.

M/S/C: Goyal/Bumbera (4-0)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Planning Commission approved minutes as stated.

M/S/C Bumbera/Goyal (4-0)

4. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Acting-Chairman Palacio called for public appearances. There were none.

PUBLIC HEARING:

5. Application for a variance (VAR15-03) to allow for the addition of a new master bedroom and bath to an existing residence that will encroach 10 feet into the 20 foot rear yard setback.

Applicant: Jon Blackstone
1179 Chestnut Avenue
Brawley, CA 92227

Location: 1179 Chestnut Avenue, more particularly described as Lot 96, Parkside Estates Unit No. 9, City of Brawley, County of Imperial, State of California, APN 046-354-011.

Gordon Gaste, Planning Director provided an overview of the project. The applicant has a unique application because it has to do with a corner lot. The applicant contacted his closest neighbors and they were informed and consented to the project. The DRC recommended approval of the project.

Discussion:

Commissioner Goyal was concerned that the approval of this project would set a precedent for future projects similar to this variance. Planning Director Gordon Gaste, informed commissioner Goyal that, the approval of this variance does not set a precedent for future variances or projects because every project is looked at in a “case-by-case” basis, meaning-independent of other projects.

M/S/C Bumbera/Goyal (4-0)

6. ZONING CODE ENFORCEMENT

Building Official, Francisco Soto gave a code enforcement summary of current code enforcement actions on various buildings, vacant lots, illegal carwashes, maintenance ordinance, and transients setting up camps at various locations.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE

The Planning Commission adjourned to the next regular meeting date and time is, February 3rd, 2016 at 5:30PM. **(Subject to Change)**

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: The Planning Commission meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

M/S/C Castro/Goyal (4-0)