

The Planning Commission of the City of Brawley, California, met in Regular Session at 5:30 p.m., 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 G.C. 54954.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Hutchinson at 5:49 p.m.

Present: Hutchinson, Goyal, Bumbera, Smith, Sagredo

Absent: Reyes, Marquez

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: The Planning Commission approves the agenda as presented. m/s/c Bumbera/Sagredo 5-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: The Planning Commission approves the minutes of March 5, 2014 as presented. m/s/c Bumbera/Sagredo 5-0

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Vice Chairman Hutchinson called for public appearances. There were none.

PUBLIC HEARING

Due notice having been given, now is the time to consider an application for a parcel map (PM14-01) to res-subdivide three existing parcels into four parcels to construct four single family homes in an R-E (Residential Estate) zone, Los Olivos Subdivision.

Applicant: Development Design & Engineering (DD&E)
For Kevin C. Smith, Andres De La Garza, and Gloria Basilio
1065 State Street
El Centro, CA 92243

Location: Northeast corner of American Legion Street and Los Olivos Drive, more particularly described as the Lots, 5 and 6 Los Olivos Subdivision and a Portion of Parcel 1 of PM BPM0-04, US De Moulin, City of Brawley, County of Imperial, State of California, APN 048-240-043, 044, and 053

Darren Smith recused himself from the item as he has a relation with one of the property owners.

Gordon Gaste, Planning Director gave an overview of the project.

Kevin Smith, one of the property owners, summarized the project and offered to answer any questions.

Andres De La Garza, the owner of the future Parcel 4, stated the new layout will be more beneficial and attractive for him.

Leighan Seybert, owner of the adjacent property to the north inquired if the 20 foot right-of-way along the eastern property line could be retained for additional access to her property.

George Garcia, Planner for DD&E, and Kevin Smith stated that they have no objection to leaving the right-of-way in place.

Vice Chairman Hutchinson opened the public hearing at 5:55 p.m.

There were no public comments or questions from the Commission.

Mr. Marquez closed the public hearing at 5:56 p.m.

Motion: The Planning Commission makes findings consistent with the Planning Commission

Staff Report and approves the parcel map (PM14-01) allowing for the re-subdivision of the lots subject to compliance with the conditions of approval. m/s/c Bumbera/Segredo 4-0

ZONING CODE ENFORCEMENT

Commissioner Bumbera inquired about the continuing effort to regulate and enforce the banner signs. Mr. Soto stated that his inspectors are keeping record of the locations and length of time that banner signs are installed. He noted an example of Christine's Restaurant on Main Street. The 45 day period has just expired and that the sign will be removed.

Commissioner Bumbera inquired about a sidewalk sale next to the old Salvation Army store. Rosanne Bayon Moore, City Manager, and Mr. Gaste stated the City Council had recently directed staff into looking at different options for regulating sidewalk sales and that the item will come to the Commission for a recommendation soon.

Mr. Hutchinson asked about the homeless sites that have appeared around Pat Williams Park. Ms. Bayon Moore stated that the Brawley Police Department and the Imperial Irrigation District, owner of some of the surrounding parcels, have confronted the squatters and directed them to vacate the premises. She also said that the homeless individuals often merely relocate to other properties just outside the city limit, but they eventually migrate to former locations and that enforcement is an ongoing activity.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The Commission voted to adjourn to the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 4, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: The meeting of the Planning Commission adjourns at 6:07 p.m. m/s/c/ Smith/Bumbera 5-0