

MINUTES

PLANNING COMMISSION

155 W. Durian, Coalinga, CA 93210
TUESDAY May 28, 2019

The Mission of the City of Coalinga is to provide for the preservation of the community character by delivering quality, responsive City services, in an efficient and cost-effective manner, and to develop, encourage, and promote a diversified economic base in order to ensure the future financial stability of the City for its citizens.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER (6:00 PM)

Pledge of Allegiance

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

ROLL CALL

Commissioners:

Chairman Sailer
Vice Chairman Jacobs
Commissioner Helmar
Commissioner Garza
Commissioner Pruitt

Staff:

Community Development Director, Sean Brewer
City Clerk, Shannon Jensen

PUBLIC COMMENT

Under Government Code 54954.3 members of the audience may address the Commission on any item of interest to the public or on any agenda item before or during the Commission's consideration of the item. State law prohibits the Planning Commission from acting on non-agenda items.

Mr. Juan Lomeli of American expressed concern that he will be relocating next door to this new business and requests the Commission to keep this in mind when approves application. He is concerned about oversaturation of the tire service industry in Coalinga.

INFORMATION/CONSENT CALENDAR (NONE)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Planning Commission Consideration of Resolution No. 019P-005 with conditions approving Conditional Use Permit Application No. 19-03 for a Tire and Automotive Repair Facility located at 234 W. Forest Street.

Community Development Director Sean Brewer gave a brief overview of the item.

Commissioner Michele Helmar asked if Mr. Brewer had received any comments?

Mr. Brewer stated no comments were received.

Vice Chairman Jacobs announced he would be abstaining from the discussion and the vote as he knows Juan personally and manages Juan's property.

Commissioner Sara Pruitt asked if Mr. Juan Lomeli would be restricted from relocating next door to the applicant?

Mr. Brewer answered no, he will not.

Chairman Sailer asked if there were dead or dying trees that need to be replaced?

Mr. Brewer said, yes there are two where they are located.

Chairman Sailer, referencing condition number 26, commented that he doesn't see the need to landscape when its fenced with slats.

Mr. Brewer indicated this condition is specific to the code and was taken directly from that. The Commission may remove the condition if they choose.

Chairman Sailer indicated the applicant would need to move the fence in 3ft to add the required landscape.

Commissioner Helmar agreed with Chairman Sailer.

It is the consensus of the Commission to strike Condition No. 26.

Chairman Sailer opened the Public Hearing.

Chairman Sailer asked the applicant how long he has been in the tire business.

Mr. Guzman indicated 12+ years.

Chairman Sailer asked what made he pick Coalinga as the place to expand.

Mr. Guzman stated he has family here in Coalinga.

Chairman Sailer asked if Mr. Guzman would have any issues complying with condition number 27 which requires all vehicles remaining on-site at the close of business to be stored within an enclosed building and not visible from adjacent properties.

Mr. Guzman stated he would not. Most services are performed with 1 to 2 hours.

Commissioner Helmar asked, your application stated you would only have 1 employee, do you have plans to add employees?

Mr. Guzman said he may add 1 more.

Commissioner Garza asked if the applicant had plans to include smog services?

Mr. Guzman stated he would like to add the service.

Commissioner Garza asked if he was certified to do smog checks?

Mr. Guzman said he needs the State of California to sign off on it.

Commissioner Garza asked if the operating hours was from 6:00am to 6:00pm?

Mr. Guzman answered yes.

Commissioner Garza stated the City really needs another smog shop.

Ms. Heid Richards expressed that she highly recommends Mr. Guzman's services.

Chairman Sailer closed the Public Hearing.

*Motion by Helmar, Second by Garza to **Approve** Resolution No. 019P-005 with Conditions Approving Conditional Use Permit Application No. 19-03 for a Tire and Automotive Repair Facility located at 234 W. Forest Street. **Approved** by 4/0 Roll-Call Vote. Jacobs – Abstained.*

DISCUSSION AND/OR POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS (NONE)

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Community Development Quarterly Presentation

Mr. Sean Brewer, Community Development Director, gave a brief overview of the item, detailing the activity being worked on through the Community Development Department.

Vice-Chairman Jacobs asked if there was any update on emergency services.

Mrs. Mary Jones indicated Adventist Health was going to be a medical office only, no hospital services. The group who plans to reopen the hospital said the agreement included a contingency that allows them to pull out if another competing facility opens. Mrs. Jones expressed concern stating Adventist could have taken over the hospital, but they didn't and now they want to do something that will undermine the hospital's plans to reopen.

Chairman Sailer asked if the City Council has taken a stance on Assembly Bill 1356?

Mr. Brewer answered no, but I am following it. The Bill would require local jurisdictions to approve 1 on-site cannabis retail license for every 4 liquor licenses or distribute 1 license for every 1,000 residents, whichever is smaller.

Chairman Sailer asked if Mr. Brewer would be taking the item to the City Council for their consideration.

Mr. Brewer answered no.

Chairman Sailer asked if there was any update on the truck ordinance.

Mr. Brewer said he is expecting Chief Blevins to bring the item back for Council's consideration in June or July.

Commissioner Helmar asked how the microbrewery was doing and if there was an estimated date for the opening.

Mr. Brewer indicated the microbrewery is coming along. He doesn't have a date, but he will reach out to them.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Staff Announcements

None

2. Commissioner Announcements

None

3. Chairman Announcements

None

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Chairman/Vice Chairman

Shannon Jensen, City Clerk

Date