



**MINUTES**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**SPECIAL MEETING – 5:00 P.M.**  
**Wednesday, October 14, 2020**  
**Virtual Meeting**

1. **ROLL CALL** – Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.  
**Present:** Commissioners Nanney, Lyon, Coher, Coppess, Wendler, Vice-Chair Olivas, and Chair Williams  
**Excused Absent:** Commissioner Miller and Barar  
**Staff:** David Reyes, Jennifer Paige, David Sanchez, Theresa Fuentes, Laura Cornejo, Joaquin Siques, Conrad Viana
  
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - A. **September 23, 2020** - Commissioner Wendler moved approval of the September 23, 2020 Meeting Minutes with a correction. Seconded by Commissioner Coppess. Minutes approved 5-0. Commissioner Lyon and Chair Williams abstained.
  
3. **OLD BUSINESS**
  - A. **Update to CEQA Transportation Performance Thresholds of Significance**  
**Presentation by:** Department of Transportation  
  
**Public Comment:**
    - Erika Foy
    - Boris Suchkov
    - Dan Huynh
    - Andrew Salimian (Pasadena Heritage)
    - Jason Neville
    - Rick Cole
    - Topher Mathers
    - Colin Bogart  
**Motion 1:**  
Commissioner Wendler moved to update the baseline from 2013 thresholds to 2017 thresholds. Seconded by Commissioner Nanney. Motion approved 7-0.  
  
**Motion 2:**  
Commissioner Nanney recommends that staff need to identify the basis for the 15% threshold and reevaluate additional data to consider reducing the target below the 15% threshold. Additional data could include understanding the impacts of our switch to VMT over the last seven years; evaluate the change in threshold in the context of our Climate Action Plan and tie it to greenhouse gas reduction targets; compare it to other cities our size and their levels; and bring back outside CEQA analysis to the Planning Commission. Seconded by Commissioner Lyon. Motion approved 7-0.

**4. STUDY SESSION: CHANGES TO NON-CONFORMING USES**

Staff will introduce a future change to the non-conforming use provisions of the Pasadena Municipal Code.

**Presentation by:** Director Reyes

**5. COMMENTS AND REPORTS FROM STAFF**

- None

**6. COMMENTS AND REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

**A. Design Commission – N/A**

**B. Board of Zoning Appeals – N/A**

**7. COMMENTS AND REPORTS FROM COMMISSION**

- Chair Williams asked for an update on RHNA

**8. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Williams adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:16 p.m.**

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David Sanchez, Principal Planner

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Tess Varsh, Recording Secretary