

**MEETING MINUTES
PLANNING COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2014
Regular Public Meeting, 6:30 pm
Council Chambers, Room S249
100 N. Garfield Avenue, Pasadena CA 91101**

1. **ROLL CALL** - Chair Persico called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.
Present: Commissioners Hickambottom, Hansen, Nelson, Jones, Farhat, DeWolfe, Williamson and Chair Persico.
Excused: Commissioner Wendler.
Staff: Vince Bertoni, Theresa Fuentes, Denver Miller, Scott Reimers, Vicrim Chima, Mark Yamarone, Carrie Banks and Paulina Rivera.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA** - None.
3. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT** - None.
4. **ACTION ITEM**
 - a. **General Plan Update - Draft Goals and Policies**

Scott Reimers gave a PowerPoint presentation focused on the guiding principles, goals and policies of the Draft General Plan.

Mark Yamarone (Transportation Administrator) gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Mobility Element with the three following objectives: to enhance livability; encourage walking, biking and other alternative to motor vehicles; and create a supportive climate for economic viability.

Public Comment

The following people spoke:

- **Michael Cornwell** (Resident) - Spoke on the General Plan update.
- **Darrell Cozen** (Resident and member of the Historic Preservation Commission) - Spoke on affordable housing needs and Historic Preservation.

Commission Action

The Planning Commission continued to comment on the General Plan Policies, which began February 26th, 2014. The Commission commented on the policies related to specific land use categories (residential, commercial corridors and districts, mixed use development, and transit and neighborhood villages). The Commission also reviewed the General Plan policies related to "Community Places" which represent the eight existing specific plan areas, as well as two non-specific geographic areas designated as the Northwest and the area along Washington Blvd. from Hill Ave. to Allen Ave. In addition, the Commission reviewed the Mobility Element policies. Staff received comments from the Commission on these policies which will result in revisions to the General Plan Land Use Policies and will be presented to the City Council.

5. COMMENTS AND REPORTS FROM STAFF

- a. Planning Commission Tentative Schedule and Upcoming Agenda Items
- March 26th: 2015-2019 CIP Items and Walden School Master Plan.
 - April 10th: Maranatha School Master Plan and New Transportation Performance Measures.

Commissioner DeWolfe requested that the Planning Commission be informed when items that the Commission has reviewed will be before the City Council.

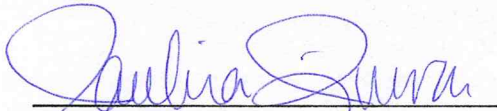
6. COMMENTS AND REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

- **Design Commission** - Commissioner Hansen: Reported on the meeting of 3/11/ 2014.
 - **Preliminary Consultation** - 86 S. Fair Oaks Ave. - mixed-use project on the Castle Green apartments' site, 5 stories with underground parking. There is no zoning entitlement.
 - **Concept Design Review** - 2900 E. Del Mar Blvd. - construction of new 120-bed psychiatric ward and detached parking structure at Las Encinas Hospital.
- **Board of Zoning Appeals** - Chair Hickambottom, Commissioners Farhat, Jones, Persico, and Williamson
 - No meetings in February, but next meeting will be on 03/19/2014.
- **CIP Subcommittee** - Chair Nelson, Commissioners DeWolfe and Wendler
 - Met 3/11/13. All the proposed projects that were reviewed were considered to be consistent with the General Plan. They will be brought before the full Commission on 3/26/13.

7. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS - None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Persico adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.



Paulina Rivera
Recording Secretary