

CITY OF WASCO
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
January 12th 2015 – 6:00 P.M.
City Council Chambers
746 8th Street Wasco, California

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Drescher called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **FLAG SALUTE:** Chairman Drescher led the flag salute
3. **INVOCATION:** Chairman Drescher offered the invocation
4. **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Chairman Drescher, Commissioners: Pallares, Holterman, Ramirez

Absent: Commissioner: Tapia

Staff Present: Planning Director Mobley, Administrative Assistant Debra

Andreotti, City Manager Paul Paris

5. **AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:** None
6. **HEARING FROM PUBLIC ON ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA** –This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the Commission on any matter not on this agenda and over which the Commission has jurisdiction. Speakers are limited to two (2) minutes.

The Planning Commission will receive your comments but NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING. Should your comments require further consideration by the Planning Commission; the item will be agendized for a report and discussed at a future Planning Commission meeting. Please state your name and address for the record before making presentation.

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR** - The Consent Calendar consists of items that in staff's opinion are routine and non-controversial. These items are approved in one motion unless a Commissioner or member of the public removes a particular item.
 - a) Approval of Minutes from November 10th, 2014 Planning Commission Meeting.
 - b) Community Development Department Project Report for the Month of November and December 2014
 - c) Code Enforcement Report for the Month of November and December 2014
 - d) Building Reports for the Month of November and December 2014

Commissioner Ramirez moved to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Holtermann, all in favor, motion carried.

AYES: Chairman Drescher, Commissioners: Pallares, Ramirez, Holtermann

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: Commissioner Tapia

8. Administration of the Oath of Office to newly appointed Planning Commissioners. Duviet Rodriguez administered the Oath of Office.
9. **PUBLIC HEARING**
 - a) Housing Element Update Workshop #1 – Information Only.
Recommendation: This item is for information only. No action is necessary.

Director Mobley gave a brief introduction about the Housing Element and that PMC Consulting Group has been entered into an agreement with the City of Wasco to complete the update.

Amy Sinsheimer from PMC gave a presentation on the Housing Element.

Commissioner Drescher opened public hearing at 6:24 p.m.

Commissioner Drescher asked where did the population amount come from and where is an emergency shelter in Wasco?

Amy Sinsheimer said that the population count came from Kern Cog and there is not one but you don't have to build one just have a zone for one.

Commissioner Ramirez asked when trying to determine who is this used for are there any guidelines?

Amy Sinsheimer. There are many different options and there is a timeline to transition.

Joe Hively, 1516 6th Street, Wasco. Seven years ago Kern Cog did a study where the growth is going to be. We need to see where we want to have growth and we need annexation and Self Help homes. Growth needs to go north or west. Schools are looking to the north Director Mobley stated that Self Help just purchased lots in the City and we have a program for housing grants that we still have going on. We can provide buyer assistance.

Commissioner Drescher asked, "Do we have a lot of people that know about this program"?

Director Mobley stated that we have the General Plan Update that we are currently in the process of doing.

Gary Stewart, 732 Cypress, Wasco. As a realtor we do not have much to sell. Several other agents in the community and we don't have much to sell. I have a list of what is for sale in Wasco and not a lot to sell. A lot of people are looking elsewhere in the Rosedale area.

Commissioner Drescher closed the public hearing at 7:25 p.m.

Amy Sinsheimer showed the schedule for the Housing Element.

10. REPORTS FROM STAFF

Director Mobley stated that someone interested in the Roses of Barcelona tract have come in to review house plans and want to get started on that property.

11. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Ramirez asked for an update on the Walmart opening.

Director Mobley stated that they want to be open before Christmas 2015.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Ramirez moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Holtermann. All in favor, motion carried.

AYES: Chairman Drescher, Commissioners: Pallares, Holtermann, Ramirez

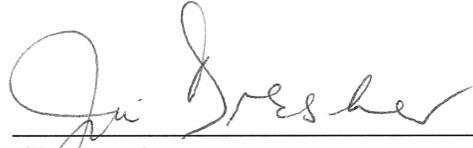
NOES: NONE

ABSENT: Commissioner Tapia

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



Debra Andreotti
Secretary to the Planning Commission



Jill Drescher
Chairman