

# Planning Commission Regular Meeting Agenda Minutes

September 25, 2023

5:30 P.M.

## Council Chamber

22 Civic Center Plaza  
Santa Ana, CA



### BAO PHAM

*Chair, Ward 1 Representative*

### JENNIFER OLIVA

*Vice-Chair,  
Ward 6 Representative*

### CHRISTOPHER LEO

*Citywide Representative*

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*Ward 2 Representative*

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*Ward 4 Representative*

### ISURI S. RAMOS

*Ward 3 Representative*

### ALAN WOO

*Ward 5 Representative*

### Minh Thai

*Executive Director*

### Jose Montoya

*Legal Counsel*

### Ali Pezeshkpour, AICP

*Planning Manager*

### Nuvia Ocampo

*Recording Secretary*



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**CALL TO ORDER****Commissioners:****Bao Pham, Chair  
Manuel Escamilla  
Christopher Leo  
Carl Benninger  
Jennifer Oliva  
Isuri S. Ramos  
Alan Woo****Executive Director  
Asst. City Attorney  
Planning Manager  
Recording Secretary****Minh Thai  
Jose Montoya  
Ali Pezeshkpour, AICP  
Nuvia Ocampo****ROLL CALL**

**Minutes:** *Quorum was reached at 5:35 p.m. with Chair Pham arriving at 5:41 p.m. Commissioner Ramos joined the meeting via teleconference.*

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****PUBLIC COMMENTS (non-agenda items)****CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS****a. Minutes**

**Recommended Action:** Approve Minutes from September 11, 2023.

**b. Excused Absences**

**Recommended Action:** Excuse absent commissioners.

**Moved by Commissioner Woo, seconded by Commissioner Escamilla to Approve Consent Calendar items.**

**YES:** 6 – Isuri Ramos, Alan Woo, Christopher Leo, Manuel J. Escamilla, Jennifer Oliva, Carl

Benninger

**NO: 0 – ABSTAIN: 0 – ABSENT: 1 – Bao Pham**

**Status: 6 – 0 – 0 – 1 – Pass**

*\*End of Consent Calendar\**

**BUSINESS CALENDAR**

**Business – Miscellaneous (Non-Public Hearing)**

- PUBLIC FACILITIES NAMING NO. 2023-02 FOR THE DOG PARK TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT CENTENNIAL PARK LOCATED AT 3000 WEST EDINGER AVENUE IN THE OPEN SPACE (OS) ZONING DISTRICT.**

**Project Applicant:** City of Santa Ana

**Proposed Project:** City of Santa Ana Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Agency (PRCSA) is requesting that the Planning Commission approve Public Facilities Naming (PFN) No. 2023-02 to name the proposed dog park at Centennial Park to “Bark Park at Centennial” at an existing public park.

**Environmental Impact:** In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and the CEQA Guidelines, the recommended action is exempt from further review per Section 15061 (b)(3). This general rule exemption is allowed provided it can be determined with certainty that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment. As the project consists of naming of a public facility, the general rule exemption is applicable. A Notice of Exemption, Environmental Review No. 2023-84, will be filed for this project.

**Recommended Action:**

- Adopt a resolution approving Public Facilities No. 2023-02 naming the proposed dog park at Centennial Park to “Bark Park at Centennial” located at 3000 W. Edinger Avenue.

**Minutes:** *Commission had comments for staff.*

**Moved by Commissioner Escamilla, seconded by Commissioner Benninger to Approve.**

**YES: 7 – Bao Pham, Isuri Ramos, Alan Woo, Christopher Leo, Manuel J. Escamilla, Jennifer Oliva, Carl Benninger**

**NO: 0 – ABSTAIN: 0 – ABSENT: 0 – Status: 7 – 0 – 0 – 0 – Pass**

**Public Hearing:** *The Planning Commission decision on Conditional Use Permits, Variances, Tentative Tract and Parcel Maps, Minor Exceptions, Site Plan Review, and*

*Public Convenience or Necessity Determinations are final unless appealed within 10 days of the decision by any interested party or group (refer to the Basic Meeting Information page for more information). The Planning Commission recommendation on Zoning and General Plan amendments, Development Agreements, Specific Developments, and Specific Plans will be forwarded to the City Council for final determination. Legal notice was published in the OC Reporter on September 13, 2023 and notices were mailed on said date.*

**2. SITE PLAN REVIEW NO. 2023-02 AND DENSITY BONUS AGREEMENT NO. 2023-02 FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 322 NORTH HARBOR BOULEVARD LOCATED IN THE CORRIDOR (CDR) LAND USE DISTRICT WITHIN THE HARBOR MIXED USE TRANSIT CORRIDOR SPECIFIC PLAN (SP2)**

**Project Applicant:** The Jager Company, Ltd. (Applicant) on behalf of P&P Bros Corp. (Property Owner)

**Proposed Project:** Applicant is requesting approval of Site Plan Review (SPR) No. 2023-02 and Density Bonus Agreement (DBA) No. 2023-02 to allow the construction of a rental residential development consisting of twenty-two apartment units, with two units proposed as affordable to very low-income household earning less than 50-percent of the area median income (AMI).

**Environmental Impact:** Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, the project is exempt from further review. Categorical Exemption ER No. 2022-12 will be filed for this project.

**Recommended Action:**

- Adopt a resolution approving Site Plan Review No. 2023-02 and Density Bonus Agreement (DBA) No. 2023-02 as conditioned.

**Moved by Commissioner Woo, seconded by Commissioner Benninger to Approve.**

**YES:** 7 – Bao Pham, Isuri Ramos, Alan Woo, Christopher Leo, Manuel J. Escamilla, Jennifer Oliva, Carl Benninger

**NO:** 0 – **ABSTAIN:** 0 – **ABSENT:** 0 – **Status:** 7 – 0 – 0 – 0 – **Pass**

**Minutes:** *Commission had questions for staff and applicant.*

*Applicant spoke in favor of the project and answered questions from Commission.*

***\*End of Business Calendar\****

**STAFF COMMENTS**

## **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**Minutes:** *Commission had comments for staff.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting of the Planning Commission will be on October 9, 2023 at 5:30 PM in the Council Chambers located at 22 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana, CA 92701.

**Minutes:** *Meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.*

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- 620 West Warner Avenue, Conditional Use Permit No. 2023-20 – Heidi Jacinto, Case Planner.
- 1117, 1121, 1125 South Standard Avenue, Park Facility Naming No. 2023-01 – Jerry Guevara, Case Planner.

## **APPEAL INFORMATION**

The formal action by the Planning Commission shall become effective after the ten-day appeal period, unless the City Council in compliance with section 41-643, 41-644 or 41-645 holds a public hearing on the matter, then the formal action will become effective on the day following the hearing and decision by the City Council. An appeal from the decision or requirement of the Planning Commission may be made by any interested party, individual, or group. The appeal must be filed with the Clerk of the Council, accompanied by the required filing fee, and a copy sent to the Planning Department, within ten days of the date of the Commission's action, by 5:00 p.m. If the final day to appeal falls on a City Hall observed holiday or a day when City hall is closed, the final day to appeal shall be extended to the next day City Hall is open for public business. Please note: Under California Government Code Sec. 65009, if you challenge in court any of the matters on this agenda for which a public hearing is to be conducted, you may be limited to raising only those issues which you (or someone else) raised orally at the public hearing or in written correspondence received by the Planning Commission or City Council at or before the hearing.

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