JUNE 28, 2016 5:00 p.m. City of Turlock Yosemite Room 156 S. Broadway, Turlock, California MINUTES
Special Meeting
Turlock City Council
(Held concurrently with a
Special Meeting of the
Planning Commission)

1. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Soiseth called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Bill DeHart, Steven Nascimento, Amy Bublak (via teleconference),

Matthew Jacob, and Mayor Gary Soiseth

ABSENT: None

PLANNING COMMISSION - Commission Chair Pedroza called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

PRESENT: Commission Members Jeanine Bean, Nick Hackler (arrived at 5:09 p.m.) Elvis

Dias, Eric Gonsalves, Geoff Powers, and Commission Chair Victor Pedroza

ABSENT: Commission Member Soraya Fregosi

Mayor Soiseth noted participation by Councilmember Bublak via teleconference.

2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Planning Commission Members made self-introductions.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

4. PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIR/STAFF UPDATES:

Mayor Soiseth requested declaration of conflicts of interest and disqualifications. None were declared.

DOWNTOWN PARKING PLAN WORKSHOP

Senior Planner Katie Quintero thanked the Council and Commissioners for holding the joint meeting, stated the workshop is for informational purposes to obtain feedback and recommendations from the Council regarding the draft Downtown Parking Plan, and noted this item would be brought back to Council at a future date for adoption. Ms. Quintero also introduced consultant Nayan Amin of TJKM, who provided an overview of the Downtown Parking Plan and presented information related to parking data collection, community outreach/survey, and preliminary findings and recommendations.

Commissioner discussion included inquiries regarding the number, occupancy, and duration of parking spaces in the downtown area, ADA parking availability and requirements, options for underground parking, and utilization of transit services to the downtown.

Council and Commissioners requested an update on parking enforcement in the downtown area including costs associated with an extended parking ticket/citation and hours when enforcements occurs. Police Chief Jackson provided information about past and current enforcement strategies.

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Closing discussion included comments by Mayor Soiseth and Commission Chair Pedroza to add additional and more visible signage to highlight parking areas.

5. COMMISSIONER FORUM:

A. Planning Commission Comments

Commisioner Gonsalves requested updates be made to parking signage before pursuing enforcement processes. Mayor Soiseth agreed and noted Council's preference is to educate before enforcement.

B. City Council Comments

Mayor Soiseth stated metered parking is not being approved as part of this meeting.

Commissioner and Council discussion included inquiries regarding timelines for implementing various parking options (short-term and long-term) and addressing parking needs and demands of the downtown businesses. Mayor Soiseth requested the City Manager identify timelines and noted renovations to the public parking lot (on Broadway) are scheduled for the near future.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

Commission Chair Pedroza adjourned the Planning Commission meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Mayor Soiseth adjourned the City Council meeting at 5:45 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Jennifer Land
Deputy City Clerk