

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PLANNING COMMISSION
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
Wednesday, October 25, 2023, 1:30 P.M.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION NORTH BUILDING
400 W. Civic Center Dr, Multipurpose Room 101
Santa Ana, California 92701

CLAUDIA PEREZ
CHAIRWOMEN
Fourth District



Second District

DAVID E. BARTLETT
COMMISSIONER
Fifth District

TRUNG "JOE" HA
COMMISSIONER
First District

KEVIN RICE
COMMISSIONER
Third District

ATTENDANCE: Commissioners: Bartlett, Ha, & Rice

PRESENT: EXECUTIVE OFFICER Justin Kirk
COUNTY COUNSEL Stephanie Clark
SECRETARY Marissa Leahy

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Rice, Third District Commissioner, led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. CONSENT ITEM - MINUTES

The meeting minutes of August 23, 2023 are carried over to the next meeting due to lack of quorum from existing members present at the last meeting. This item will be continued until quorum can be reached.

II. DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEM #1 PUBLIC HEARING – PA22-0017 – APPLICANT – ECOLOGY AUTO PARTS AGENT- JOE LAMBERT - LOCATION – 1281 BREA CANYON ROAD, BREA, WITHIN THE 4TH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. ASSESSORS PARCEL NUMBER (APN): 304-171-08

Applicant Ecology Auto Parts requests approval of a Use Permit to occupy three contiguous lease pad sites totaling 4.58 acres for vehicle and equipment storage, field office operations, and minor vehicle maintenance in conformance with Zoning Code Section 7-9-30.2. A Use Permit is required for vehicle storage within the A1 Zoning District.

Recommended Action:

OC Development Services/Planning recommends the Planning Commission:

1. Receive staff report and public testimony as appropriate; and,
2. Find that the proposed project is Categorically Exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is consistent with the following categorical exemptions: Class 1 (Existing Facilities); Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures); Class 4 (Minor Alterations to Land); and Class 11 (Accessory Structures); and
3. Approve Planning Application PA22-0017, subject to the attached Findings and Conditions of Approval (Appendices A and B).

Special Notes:

Debbie Drasler, Contract Planner IV, provided the presentation and answered questions from the Planning Commission. The applicants answered questions from the board regarding their project.

The following is the action taken by the Orange County Planning Commission:

The motion for Item #1 was made by Commissioner Rice and seconded by Commissioner Ha, to authorize staff to approve the recommended actions for **PA22-0017**. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote:

APPROVE (1) Ha: Y (2) (3) Rice: Y (4) Perez: A (5) Bartlett: Y
 Vote Key: Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain; X=Excused
 OTHER
 DENIED
 Unanimous

III. EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATE

- Ranch Hills Development Update. Decision to approve the project upheld. The appeal was denied.
- November 8, 2023 meeting will include 3 items (Third & Fifth District and another in the and the election of new vice-chair due to vacancy)
- OC Development Staffing Update. New Senior Planner in the environmental area employed. Still recruiting for an Asst. Level Planner and a Planning Manager.

IV. COUNTY COUNSEL UPDATE

- No updates

V. PLANNING COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Commissioner Ha – No comments.
- Commissioner Bartlett – No comments.
- Commissioner Rice – No comments.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

- **Planning Commission meeting adjourned at 2:13pm**