

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
Wednesday, April 10, 2024, 1:30 P.M.

COUNTY CONFERENCE CENTER  
425 West Santa Ana Boulevard  
Santa Ana, California 92701

**DAVID E. BARTLETT**  
CHAIRMAN  
Fifth District

**TRUNG “JOE” HA**  
COMMISSIONER  
First District

**KEVIN RICE**  
COMMISSIONER  
Third District



**MARIA CEJA**  
COMMISSIONER  
Second District

**JOHN KOOS**  
COMMISSIONER  
Fourth District

ATTENDANCE: Commissioners: Bartlett, Ha, Rice & Koos

PRESENT: EXECUTIVE OFFICER Justin Kirk  
COUNTY COUNSEL Nicole Walsh  
SECRETARY Bellinda Erikson

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

**I. CONSENT ITEM - MINUTES**

The meeting minutes of February 14, 2024 were motioned for approval by Commissioner Ha and seconded by Commissioner Koos and approved by a unanimous vote.

**II. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**ITEM #1 STUDY SESSION OF GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT LU 24-01 (LAND USE ELEMENT), ZONING CODE AMENDMENT CA 24-01 (MULTIFAMILY DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS), AND ZONE CHANGE ZC 24-01 (SPECIFIC COMMERCIAL AND MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL SITES), ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS.**

Staff will be presenting information regarding the proposed General Plan Amendment to the Land Use Element, Zoning Code Amendment to revise existing multifamily residential development standards, and Zone Change on specific commercial and

multifamily residential parcels. The proposed Amendments will ensure compliance with existing State housing law, recent State mandates related to housing, and the County's Housing Element.

**Recommended Action(s):**

- a. Receive staff report and public testimony.
- b. Provide feedback to staff as appropriate.

**Special Notes:**

Yuritzzy Randle, Associate Planner and Cindy Salazar, Planning Manager provided the presentation and answered questions from the Planning Commission. Justin Kirk, Division Manager and Nicole Walsh, County Counsel answered questions from the Commissioners and speakers from the public.

The Orange County Planning Commission took no action on this item as stated in the recommended actions.

**III. EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATE**

- Justin Kirk provided staffing update. The new Planning Division Manager will be announced at the next Planning Commission Meeting.
- The new fee schedule is scheduled to be heard by the Board of Supervisor on May 7, 2024.

**IV. COUNTY COUNSEL UPDATE**

- The Ranch Hills development is still in ongoing litigation.
- The Ecology Center has not been challenged yet.

**V. PLANNING COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

- Commissioner Bartlett – Thanked the public for attending and staff for a detailed presentation.
- Commissioner Rice – Thanked staff for a detailed presentation.

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- None

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

- **Planning Commission meeting adjourned at 3:07pm**