

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
Wednesday, May 27, 2020, 1:30 P.M.

PLANNING COMMISSION ROOM, FIRST FLOOR  
333 W. Santa Ana Blvd., 10 Civic Center Plaza  
Santa Ana, California

**DAVID E. BARTLETT**  
CHAIRMAN  
FIFTH District

**TRUNG “JOE” HA**  
VICE CHAIRMAN  
First District

**HANG HARPER**  
COMMISSIONER  
Second District



**KEVIN RICE**  
COMMISSIONER  
Third District

**CLAUDIA PEREZ**  
COMMISSIONER  
Fourth District

ATTENDANCE: Commissioners: Ha, Harper, Rice, Bartlett and Perez

PRESENT: EXECUTIVE OFFICER Richard Vuong  
COUNTY COUNSEL Nicole Walsh  
SECRETARY Sharon Gilliam

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Harper, Second District, led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**I. CONSENT ITEM(S) - Minutes**

The minutes of January 22, 2020 were motioned for approval by Commissioner Ha, seconded by Commissioner Harper, and approved by a unanimous vote. Commissioner Perez, abstained.

**II. DISCUSSION ITEM(S)**

**ITEM #1 PUBLIC HEARING – GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT GPA 20-01 – LAND USE, TRANSPORTATION AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT ELEMENTS, ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS.**

Staff is requesting authorization to initiate a General Plan Amendment to ensure compliance with recent State mandated changes regarding new metrics for California Environmental Quality Act transportation analysis.

**Recommended Action (s):**

1. Receive public testimony as appropriate;
2. Authorize staff to initiate General Plan Amendment GPA 20-01 to update the County of Orange Land Use, Transportation, and Growth Management Elements to ensure compliance with recent State mandated changes regarding new metrics for California Environmental Quality Act transportation analysis.

**Special Notes:**

Joanna Chang, Land Use Manager, provided a presentation and answered questions of the Planning Commission.

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. The motion authorized staff to initiate General Plan Amendment GPA 20-01 to update the County of Orange Land Use, Transportation, and Growth Management Elements to ensure compliance with recent State mandated changes regarding new metrics for California Environmental Quality Act transportation analysis.

APPROVE  OTHER

DENIED

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

**ITEM #2 PUBLIC HEARING - GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT H 20-01 – HOUSING ELEMENT, ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS.**

**Recommended Action (s):**

1. Receive public testimony as appropriate;
2. Authorize staff to initiate General Plan Amendment H 20-01 to update the County of Orange Housing Element to ensure compliance with existing State law, and recent State mandated changes regarding housing.

**Special Notes:**

Joanna Chang, Land Use Manager, provided a presentation and answered questions of the Planning Commission.

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

The motion for Item #2 was made by Commissioner Ha and seconded by Commissioner Perez. The motion authorized staff to initiate General Plan Amendment H 20-01 to update the County of Orange Housing Element to ensure compliance with existing State law, and recent State mandated changes regarding housing.

APPROVE  OTHER

DENIED

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

**III. EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATE**

- Welcome Planning Commissioner, Claudia Perez, Fourth District

**Upcoming Projects**

- Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) for unincorporated Orange County
- Rezone in North Tustin – Duplex Project
- Fall 2020 - 13 new homes in Coto de Caza
- Appeal – Coastal Commission Project, scheduled within in 60 days

**IV. COUNTY COUNSEL UPDATE**

- Esperanza Hills
  - Court of Appeal
  - Writ of Cert
  - Applicant may be moving forward on some basic things including grading

**V. PLANNING COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

- Welcome Commissioner Perez
- Question regarding allowing all Commissioners to be present in the Planning Commission Room for the next meeting
- Fifth District – New Stater Bros. opens, June 1, 2020
- Commissioner Rice received acknowledgement and a token of appreciation for his time served as Chair of the Planning Commission, 2019

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- None

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Planning Commission meeting adjourned at 2:07 pm.**