PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA

October 28, 2020

3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, California (Via Zoom)

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Weremiuk called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Ervin, Hirschbein, Lewin, Song, Vice Chair Moruzzi, Chair

Weremiuk

STAFF PRESENT:

Assistant Planning Director Newell, Administrative Coordinator

Hintz, Associate Planner Mlaker

REPORT OF POSTING OF AGENDA: The Agenda was available for public access at the City Hall exterior bulletin board (west side of Council Chamber) and the Planning Services counter by 6:00 pm, Thursday, October 22, 2020.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA:

Staff is requesting a continuance of Item #2B to date certain of December 9, 2020.

The Commission accepted the agenda, as amended.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: JULY 8, 2020 AND SEPTEMBER 9, 2020

Song, seconded by Lewin to approve minutes, as presented.

AYES:

ERVIN, HIRSCHBEIN, LEWIN, SONG, MORUZZI, WEREMIUK

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

2A. CONTINUED - DESTINATION RAMON, LLC, FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND MAJOR ARCHITECTURAL APPLICATION FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF PAD SITE "D" TO INCLUDE THE DEMOLITION OF AN EXISTING BUILDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO (2) QUICK SERVICE RESTAURANTS WITH DRIVE-THROUGHS LOCATED AT 5601 EAST RAMON ROAD, ZONE M-1, SECTION 20 (CASE NOS. 5.1513 CUP & 3.4179 MAJ). (GM)

Associate Planner Mlaker provided details of the subcommittee review and revisions to the site plan.

Chair Weremiuk opened the public hearing:

STAN ROTHBART, applicant, stated that the product that came out of the subcommittee review is a far better project than they initially had. They have accepted all of the comments that have been made and was available for questions from the Commission.

MARTY WOLF, Raising Cane's Site Design Manager, responded to questions from the Commission pertaining to the outer lane (queueing lane) of the drive-through and size of canopy.

There being no further speakers the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Hirschbein, as part of the subcommittee review, said has full confidence in the AAC's review of the sign program and would like to see this item return on the Consent Calendar. He noted that the project team responded very well to the subcommittee comments and all issues have been addressed.

Hirschbein, seconded by Song to approve subject to conditions of approval.

AYES: ERVIN, HIRSCHBEIN, LEWIN, SONG, MORUZZI, WEREMIUK

*Chair Weremiuk requested the sign program application come back to the Commission on the Consent Calendar, per Commissioner Hirschbein's comment.

2B. SPECTRUM SERVICES ON BEHALF OF VERIZON WIRELESS FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT A COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY CONSISTING OF A FORTY-THREE (43) FOOT HIGH MONOPOLE AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT CABINETS LOCATED WITHIN DEMUTH PARK AT 3601 EAST MESQUITE AVENUE, ZONE "O" (CASE NO. 5.0793 CUP). (ER)

Chair Weremiuk opened the public hearing:

JOHN HENNING, legal representation for the neighboring cell tower, will defer comment until item is heard.

There being no further comments the public hearing was closed.

Hirschbein, seconded by Song to continue to date certain of December 9, 2020.

AYES: ERVIN, HIRSCHBEIN, LEWIN, SONG, MORUZZI, WEREMIUK

- 3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.
- 4. **NEW BUSINESS:** None.

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PLANNING COMMISSION REPORTS, REQUESTS AND COMMENTS: None.

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT: None.

PLANNING DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- City Council action summary on Planning Commission items.
- City Council direction of the General Plan Update Vision & Priorities.
- Next Planning Commission will be held on November 18th at 4 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: The Planning Commission adjourned at 7:02 pm to their regular meeting at 4:00 pm on Wednesday, November 18, 2020.

Flinn Fagg, AICP

Development Services Director

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