

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE
3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, California 92262
(Meeting held Via Zoom)

Minutes of November 15, 2021

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chair Rotman called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Committee Members Present: Doczi, Lockyer, McCoy, Thompson, Vice Chair Rotman

Members Excused Absence: Poehlein, Walsh, Chair Jakway

Planning Commission Present: None

Staff Present: Director of Development Services Fagg, Assistant Director of Planning Newell, Engineering Associate Minjares, Assistant Planner Perez

REPORT OF THE POSTING OF AGENDA:

The Agenda was available for public access at the City Hall bulletin board (west side of Council Chamber) by 6:00 pm, Tuesday, November 9, 2021 and posted on the City's website as required by established policies and procedures.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA:

Vice Chair Rotman said Items #2 and #3 would be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Director Fagg clarified these two items were noticed to adjacent businesses and noted they should be reviewed separately so that members of the public are able to provide comments.

McCoy, seconded by Lockyer to accept the Agenda, as revised.

AYES: DOCZI, LOCKYER, MCCOY, THOMPSON, ROTMAN

ABSENT: POEHLEIN, WALSH, JAKWAY

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Vice Chair Rotman requested a revision to page 5 of the September 20, 2021 minutes. the paragraph starting with "Vice Chair Roberts..." should be revised to "Vice Chair

Rotman...”.

Thompson, seconded by Lockyer to approve Item 1 and Item 4, as part of the Consent Calendar.

AYES: DOCZI, LOCKYER, MCCOY, THOMPSON, ROTMAN
ABSENT: POEHLEIN, WALSH, JAKWAY

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: SEPTEMBER 20, 2021 AND OCTOBER 4, 2021**
4. **DTPS B, LLC, OWNERS, FOR A MINOR ARCHITECTURAL APPLICATION TO MODIFY A STOREFRONT OF THE BLOCK B BUILDING FACADE FOR TAC/QUILA RESTAURANT, WITHIN THE DOWNTOWN PALM SPRINGS SPECIFIC PLAN LOCATED AT 175 NORTH PALM CANYON DRIVE (CASE 3.3606 MAA). (AP)**

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:

3. **LIZ OSTOICH OF TAC/QUILA RESTAURANT REQUESTING A LAND USE PERMIT AND A WAIVER TO CONTINUE THE USE OF AN ENLARGED PARKLET LOCATED AT 415 NORTH PALM CANYON DRIVE, ZONE CBD (CASE 21-076 LUP). (AP)**

Director Fagg provided background on the parklet program and described the two applications before the Committee.

Planner Perez presented the parklet design and said staff is recommending approval as submitted.

LIZ OSTOICH, applicant, said she is the owner of the restaurant and thanked the city for the parklet program. She noted the adjacent property owner authorized the extension of the parklet in front of the adjacent business. The business owner has also signed a letter of support.

Member Thompson said the parklet is one the best in town, noting it should be a template for others in town.

Thompson seconded by Doczi to approve as submitted.

AYES: DOCZI, LOCKYER, MCCOY, THOMPSON, ROTMAN
ABSENT: POEHLEIN, WALSH, JAKWAY

2. **ALEX GONZALES OF EL PATRON RESTAURANT REQUESTING A LAND USE PERMIT AND A WAIVER FOR A SHADE STRUCTURE ON THEIR EXISTING PARKLET LOCATED AT 101 SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE,**

ZONE CBD (CASE 21-075 LUP). (AP)

Planner Perez presented the proposed application, described the history of two parklets and noted the applicant is seeking only one parklet design along Tahquitz. She described four proposed conditions as part of the approval recommendation.

Member Doczi asked if a sign program would be proposed. Ms. Perez said the signs will be removed as part of the K-rail removal.

Vice Chair Rotman asked for clarification of the drainage.

Member Lockyer asked why the k-rail was no longer required. Ms. Perez responded that the engineering office no longer requires k-rails along the street, but only on the west end of the parklet, in this case.

Member Thompson confirmed that the fabric can be treated instead of replaced with alternative material.

ALEX GONZALES, applicant, thanked the city for allowing the parklet program. He said he's in agreement with the conditions and will look into treatment options for the shade cover material. Mr. Gonzales said he will make adjustments to the parklet to accommodate drainage.

Member Doczi commented on the existing large pots/urns that are in front of the business and wondered if there's an opportunity to include plant materials in the parklet.

Member Lockyer asked why landscape is not required within parklets in the design guidelines. Director Fagg responded that the Guidelines allow for a variety of treatment options, based on the research conducted as part of the program.

Mr. Gonzales said he's willing to add landscape into the parklet.

Member Thompson stated the adjacent tenant needs to agree in writing, in addition to the property owner.

Doczi, seconded by McCoy to approve with added conditions:

1. Provide additional planters and plant material consistent with their patio.
2. Additional conditions as recommended by staff.

AYES: DOCZI, LOCKYER, MCCOY, THOMPSON, ROTMAN
ABSENT: POEHLEIN, WALSH, JAKWAY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS: None.

STAFF MEMBER COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Architectural Review Committee of the City of Palm Springs adjourned at 6:04 p.m. to the next regular meeting at 5:30 pm on **Tuesday, December 7, 2021**, 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs.

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Assistant Director of Planning

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