

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
April 24, 2024
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA
3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, California

5:30 PM STUDY SESSION
(Council Chambers)

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Weremiuk called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Chair Weremiuk, Vice Chair Aylaian, Baker, Miller, Murphy, Rotman

Staff Present: Assistant Planning Director Newell, AICP, Assistant Planner Rubalcava, Attorney Ryan Guiboa, Administrative Specialist Fields, Sustainability Director McCoy, Climate Action and Sustainability Specialist Wheeler

Chair Weremiuk opened the meeting in memory of the recently deceased Commissioner, Lyn Calderine, with a review of his contributions to the City of Palm Springs. Grant Wilson, a former Sustainability Commissioner, shared his thoughts and condolences.

DISCUSSION:

1. CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, REGARDING A POTENTIAL CITYWIDE TREE PROTECTION ORDINANCE (LP and CW)

Director McCoy and Specialist Wheeler made a presentation and discussed items with the commission.

Discussion item only; no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT: The Planning Commission adjourned at 6:28 pm to their regular meeting at 6:00 pm, Wednesday, April 24, Council Chamber, City Hall, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way.

6:28 PM REGULAR MEETING

(Council Chambers)

REPORT OF POSTING OF AGENDA: The agenda was available for public access at the City Hall exterior bulletin board (west side of Council Chamber) by 6:00 pm on Thursday, April 18, 2024, and posted on the City's website as required by established policies and procedures.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA:

Commissioner Baker moved, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to accept the agenda.

AYES: BAKER, MILLER, MURPHY, ROTMAN, AYLAIAN, WEREMIUK

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

1. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: APRIL 10, 2024

Commissioner Miller moved, Commissioner Baker seconded, the approval of the Minutes of the April 10, 2024 meeting.

AYES: BAKER, MILLER, MURPHY, ROTMAN, WEREMIUK, AYLAIAN.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

2A. A REQUEST BY GIUSEPPE COMPERATORE, ON BEHALF OF DOGS R DOPE, LLC, FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO INCORPORATE OVERNIGHT KENNELS WITHIN AN EXISTING DOG TRAINING AND CARE FACILITY AT 888 EAST RESEARCH DRIVE, ZONE M-1-P (CASE NO. CUP-2024-0004) (AR).

Assistant Planner Rubalcava presented the staff report to and answered questions of the Commission.

Giuseppe Comperatore, Dogs R Dope, applicant and co-founder, spoke and answered questions of the Commission.

Ryan Guiboa, Attorney for the City of Palm Springs, answered questions of the Commission.

Vice Chair Aylaiian moved, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to approve with added conditions.

1. A minimum of 280 square feet of usable outdoor dog space will be provided.
 - a. Pervious material used for a minimum of 50% of the surface.
 - b. 50% of the area to be covered by shade.
2. Two outdoor visits for each dog kenneled overnight (24 hours).
3. A maximum number of 40 dogs at the facility at any given time.
4. Maintenance of landscaping in the front yard.
5. Adequate plans provided to the Planning Director to remediate sanitation complaints in 90 days.
6. Ensure that the facility and outdoor areas are always maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, and the submission of sanitation plan to the Planning Director.
7. Maintenance of a refrigerator on site for pet food requiring refrigeration.

AYES: BAKER, MURPHY, ROTMAN, AYLAIAN, WEREMIUK, MILLER

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

4. NEW BUSINESS: None.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORTS, REQUESTS AND COMMENTS: Chair Weremiuk expressed condolences for the recent passing of the spouse of former Planning Department employee Joanne Bruggeman.

PLANNING DIRECTOR'S REPORT: None.

ADJOURNMENT: The Planning Commission adjourned at 7:46 pm to 5:30 pm, Wednesday, May 8, 2024, 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, California.