



CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

ACTION MINUTES

JANUARY 9, 2018

6:00 PM

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CARL MAY COMMUNITY CENTER
11711 West Drive, Desert Hot Springs, California**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Voss called the Planning Commission to order at 6:02 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Commissioners: Voss, De la Torre, Buchanan, Pye

Vice Chairman:

Chairman:

Absent:

Commissioners: Absent: Romero

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Pye led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chair Voss did a verbal approval of the agenda

Approved anonymously verbally

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **[Conditional Use Permit No. 35-17. A recommendation to the Planning](#)**

Commission regarding a Conditional Use Permit to develop one two-story building, totaling approximately 33,200 square feet, as well as associated parking, vehicular access, trash enclosure, landscaping and related improvements; and operate a medical marijuana cultivation facility on a 1.26 acre vacant lot (APN: 665-030-020). The project is located on the north side of San Jacinto Lane, approximately 1000 feet east of Little Morongo Road and within the General Plan Light Industrial (I-L) Zone. Applicant: Andrey Shmykov / San Jacinto II.

Daniel Porras, Community Development Director

Recommendation: 1) Staff Report;
2) Entertain Questions of Staff from Planning Commission;
3) Open the Public Hearing;
4) Take Testimony from Applicant;
5) Take Public Testimony;
6) Opportunity for Applicant Rebuttal
7) Close the Public Hearing;
8) Planning Commission discussion and questions to Staff;
and
9) Consider a motion that the Planning Commission approve Conditional Use Permit No. 27-17; to develop one two-story building, totaling approximately 33,200 square feet, as well as associated parking, vehicular access, trash enclosure, landscaping and related improvements; and operate a medical marijuana cultivation facility on a 1.26 acre vacant lot (APN: 665-030-020) on the north side of San Jacinto Lane, approximately 1000 feet east of Little Morongo Road and within the General Plan Light Industrial (I-L) Zone.

Benjamin Torres, Associate Planner, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

The staff recommendation was approved by unanimous consent . There was no formal motion.

2. Conditional Use Permit No. 14-14. Consideration of a Conditional Use Permit to operate a marijuana dispensary with incidental cultivation (up to 99 mature plants) located in an existing 6,800 SF one-story commercial building located at 66321 Pierson Blvd within the Community Retail & Services (Retail) zone of the Vortex Specific Plan (APN 641-041-044, -045). Applicant: Allen Cooper, Desert Hot Springs Wellness Services, Inc.

Daniel Porras, Community Development Director

Recommendation: 1) Staff Report;
2) Entertain Questions of Staff from Planning Commission;
3) Open the Public Hearing;
4) Take Testimony from Applicant;
5) Take Public Testimony;
6) Opportunity for Applicant Rebuttal;
7) Close the Public Hearing;
8) Planning Commission discussion and questions to Staff;
and
9) Consider a motion that the Planning Commission approve

Conditional Use Permit No. 14-14 to operate a marijuana dispensary with incidental cultivation within an existing commercial building located at 66321 Pierson Boulevard within the Community Retail & Services (Retail) zone of the Vortex Specific Plan. APN 641-041-044, -045.

Benjamin Torres ,Associate Planner, presents the staff report and responded to questions.

Action: Pye moved to approve staff recommendation, motion seconded by Buchanan, motion carried 3/0 by the following vote:

Vote: AYES: 3 - Voss, Buchanan, Pye
Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

Chair Voss opened the Public Hearing.

There was no public testimony.

3. [AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 17.60 "ART IN PUBLIC PLACES PROGRAM" OF TITLE 17 "ZONING" OF THE DESERT HOT SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE](#)

Daniel Porras, Community Development Director

Recommendation: That the Planning Commission recommend that the City Council approve the Ordinance.

City Attorney, Jennifer Mizrahi presented ordinance and responded to questions

open public hearing at 6:23pm

Simone Sandoval spoke against the Ordinance.

Requita Grant spoke against the Ordinance.

Christopher Martinez spoke against the Ordinance.

Stephanie Hopper spoke in regards to the Ordinance.

Chair Voss closed Public Hearing at 6:33pm

City Attorney, Jennifer Mizrahi clarifies Ordinance

Community Development Director, Daniel Porras P.E. answers questions

Action: Buchanan moved to approve staff recommendation, motion seconded by Pye, motion carried 4/0 by the following vote:

Vote: AYES: 4 - Voss, De la Torre, Buchanan, Pye

Passed

NOES: 0 - (None)

4. [CUP 08-15 \(TE\); A request for a one-year time extension for Conditional Use Permit No 08-15, for the CV Pharms cultivation project located at 13500 Little Morongo Road. Applicant; Jason Elsasser](#)

Daniel Porras, Community Development Director

Recommendation: 1) Staff Report;
2) Questions of Staff from Planning Commission;
3) Open the Public Hearing;
4) Invite Applicant to speak;
5) Questions for the Applicant;
6) Take Public Testimony;
7) Opportunity for Applicant Rebuttal;
8) Close the Public Hearing;
9) Planning Commission discussion and questions to Staff;
and
10) Recommendation from Staff for approval of a one-year extension of time for Conditional Use Permit No. 08-15 for the CV Pharms cultivation project located 13500 Little Morongo Road. APN: 663-280-001

Scott Taschner presented staff report and responded to questions

Action: De la Torre moved to approve staff recommendation by adding a minimum of three free standing lights, motion seconded by Buchanan, motion carried 4/0 by the following vote:

Vote: AYES: 4 - Voss, De la Torre, Buchanan, Pye
Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

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Community Development Director, Daniel Porras P.E. presented report

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Chair Voss adjourned Planning Commission Meeting at 7:04pm