



CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

ACTION MINUTES

APRIL 9, 2019

6:00 PM

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present:

Commissioners: James Nindel, Robert Griffith, Richard Duffle

Vice Chairman: Scott De la Torre

Chairman: Larry Buchanan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair De la Torre led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Action: Nindel moved to approve the April 9, 2019 regular Planning Commission meeting agenda, motion seconded by De la Torre, motion carried 4/0 by the following vote:

Vote: AYES: 4 - De la Torre, Buchanan, Nindel, Griffith

Passed NOES: 0 - (None)

ABSTAIN: 1 – Duffle

Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes, March 12, 2019

Recording Secretary, Ana Morales

Recommendation: Approve as submitted; or corrected.

Action: De la Torre moved to approve March 12, 2019 Planning Commission minutes, motion seconded by Griffith, motion carried 4/0 by the following vote:

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

ABSTAIN: 1 - Duffle

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tube Durrani, expressed concerns regarding the process of rezoning.

James Fields, a Gods Kitchen volunteer, shared concerns on the permit issuance process.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Amendments to Conditional Use Permit Nos. 16-16 & 17-16 and to adopt the revised Mitigated Negative Declaration; application to merge two (2) parcels to construct one (1) two-story cultivation facility with a total of 146,811 square feet building on a vacant 5.08-acre parcel located east of Little Morongo Road and north of Two Bunch Palms Trail in the Light Industrial (I-L) zone.

Community Development Director, Rebecca Deming

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) A recommendation from staff to take the following actions:
 - 1) Adopt the updated/revised Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Pioneer General Cultivation project; and (2) Approve the requested Amendments to Conditional Use Permit Nos. 16-16 & 17-16 for the Pioneer General Cultivation Project located on APN's 663-280-003 & -004.

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

Chair Buchanan opened the Public Hearing.

Christopher Riley, representative of the project, responded to questions.

Chair Buchanan closed the Public Hearing.

Action: Griffith moved to approve staff recommendation, motion seconded by Duffle, motion carried 5/0 by the following vote:

<u>Vote:</u>	AYES: 5 - De la Torre, Buchanan, Nindel, Griffith, Duffle
Passed	NOES: 0 - (None)

CHAIR AND PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER REPORTS

Chair Buchanan presented his report.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR REPORT

Rebecca Deming, Community Development Director, presented her report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Chair Buchanan adjourned the meeting at 6:45 P.M.

Ana Morales, Community Development Secretary