

**LODI PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET
WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2011**

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The Regular Planning Commission meeting of May 11, 2011, was called to order by chair Hennecke at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Planning Commissioners – Cummins, Kirsten, Kiser and Chair Hennecke

Absent: Planning Commissioners – Jones, Heinitz, and Olson

Also Present: Community Development Director Konradt Bartlam, City Attorney Stephen Schwabauer, Associate Planner Immanuel Bereket, and Administrative Secretary Kari Chadwick

2. MINUTES

“January 12, 2011”

MOTION / VOTE:

No Motion made because there was not a quorum of Commissioners in attendance to make the motion. Item continued to the next meeting.

“April 13, 2011”

MOTION / VOTE:

No Motion made because there was not a quorum of Commissioners in attendance to make the motion. Item continued to the next meeting.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a) Notice thereof having been published according to law, an affidavit of which publication is on file in the Community Development Department, Chair Hennecke called for the public hearing to consider the request for a Use Permit to allow Type 21 off-Sale Alcoholic Beverage Control license at 2350 West Kettleman Lane. (Applicant: Miriam Montesinos, on behalf of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. File Number: 11-U-09)

Associate Planner Bereket gave a brief PowerPoint presentation based on the staff report. Staff recommends approval of the project.

Hearing Opened to the Public

- Miriam Montesinos, applicant on behalf of Wal Mart, came forward to answer questions. Ms Montesinos stated that there have not been any protests filed with ABC to date.
- Chair Hennecke asked if this type of application was typical of other Wal Mart Stores. Ms. Montesinos stated that it is typical of other Wal Mart Stores.
- Troy Johnson, Store Manager in Lodi, came forward to answer questions. Mr. Johnson gave a brief statement regarding the ways that the Lodi Wal Mart Store has been a good neighbor to the City through various donations to local charity groups and fundraisers.

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- Commissioner Kiser asked if local wines will be stocked. Mr. Johnson stated that they have already contacted Gallo and are also going to try to get more of the local area wines on the shelf.
- Pat Patrick, President of Lodi Chamber of Commerce, came forward to support this project.

Public Portion of Hearing Closed

MOTION / VOTE:

The Planning Commission, on motion of Commissioner Cummins, Kiser second, approved the request of the Planning Commission for a Use Permit to allow Type 21 off-Sale Alcoholic Beverage Control license at 2350 West Kettleman Lane subject to the conditions in the resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners – Cummins, Kirsten, Kiser and Chair Hennecke
Noes: Commissioners – None
Absent: Commissioners – Jones, Heinitz, and Olson

- b) Notice thereof having been published according to law, an affidavit of which publication is on file in the Community Development Department, Chair Hennecke called for the public hearing to consider the request for a Use Permit to allow outdoor seating/standing and drinking area at California Street Pub (formerly Barking Dog bar) in conjunction with their existing Type-48 On-Sale General ABC license at 302 North California Street (Applicant: Christian Cole, ob behalf of Thirsty Inc., dba California Street Pub. File Number: 11-U-06.) – **Postponed to a future meeting.**
- c) Notice thereof having been published according to law, an affidavit of which publication is on file in the Community Development Department, Chair Hennecke called for the public hearing to consider the request for an amendment to an existing Use Permit to allow expansion of an existing restaurant that serves beer, wine and distilled spirits at 400 East Kettleman Lane, Suites 5-8. (Applicant: Petra Flores Pena. File Number: 10-U-14)

Associate Planner Bereket gave a brief PowerPoint presentation based on the staff report. Staff recommends approval of the project.

Hearing Opened to the Public

- Octavio Cruses, representative of the applicant, came forward to answer questions.
- Commissioner Kiser asked if the small bar that is already there is the bar that is proposed to stay. Mr. Cruses stated that is accurate.
- Barbara Flockhart, Elgin Avenue property owner, came forward to state that loud music has been a problem in the past from the stereo store that used to occupy a space in the building and would like to know if live music or any other type of noise producing issues will be occurring. Chair Hennecke stated that if the applicant wished to do live music they would be required to submit a separate application with the Planning Division, and deferred to Director Bartlam for further explanation. Director Bartlam stated that at this time there isn't an application in the process for live music, but there is the ability for the applicant to come back and apply for one. He added that if at any time there are any noise issues a complaint can be filed with both the Police Department and directly with the Planning Division, so that staff can follow-up on the complaint.

Public Portion of Hearing Closed

MOTION / VOTE:

The Planning Commission, on motion of Commissioner Kirsten, Kiser second, approved the request of the Planning Commission for an amendment to an existing Use Permit to allow expansion of an existing restaurant that serves beer, wine and distilled spirits at 400 East Kettleman Lane, Suites 5-8 subject to the conditions in the resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners – Cummins, Kirsten, Kiser, and Chair Hennecke
Noes: Commissioners – None
Absent: Commissioners – Jones, Heinitz, and Olson

- d) Notice thereof having been published according to law, an affidavit of which publication is on file in the Community Development Department, Chair Hennecke called for the public hearing to consider the request for a Use Permit to allow Type 42 Alcoholic Beverage Control license (on-sale beer and wine – public premises) at 1110 West Kettleman Lane, Suites 9-10. (Applicant: Sean Bocardo and Nichole Pendley. File Number: 11-U-10)

Associate Planner Bereket gave a brief PowerPoint presentation based on the staff report. Staff recommends approval of the project.

Commissioner Kiser asked if this project is within three-hundred feet of the residences behind this building. Mr. Bereket stated that it is within three-hundred feet of the residences, but the item being heard tonight is for the Use Permit for the ABC License and the Live Entertainment will come back at a later date. The residences will be notified as part of the procedure for that application.

Hearing Opened to the Public

- Nichole Pendley, co-applicant, came forward to answer questions. Ms. Pendley stated that they would like to be able to open up at 11:00 am or noon instead of 4:00 pm.
- Sean Bocardo, co-applicant, came forward to answer questions and stated that this will give local wineries that do not already have tasting rooms a place to highlight their wines.

Public Portion of Hearing Closed

MOTION / VOTE:

The Planning Commission, on motion of Commissioner Kiser, Cummins second, approved the request of the Planning Commission for a Use Permit to allow Type 42 Alcoholic Beverage Control license (on-sale beer and wine – public premises) at 1110 West Kettleman Lane, Suites 9-10 subject to the conditions in the resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners – Cummins, Kirsten, Kiser, and Chair Hennecke
Noes: Commissioners – None
Absent: Commissioners – Jones, Heinitz and Olson

- e) Notice thereof having been published according to law, an affidavit of which publication is on file in the Community Development Department, Chair Hennecke called for the public hearing to consider the request for a Use Permit to allow the establishment of a religious facility within an existing commercial building located at 651 North Cherokee Lane, Suite C. (Applicant: Pastor Willie McGill Sr., on behalf of Miracle Temple Church. File Number: 11-U-11)

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Associate Planner Bereket gave a brief PowerPoint presentation based on the staff report. Staff recommends approval of the project.

Commissioner Kirsten asked if there are currently two other churches in that development. The property owner started to answer from the audience, but was asked to wait until the public hearing was opened up to the public.

Hearing Opened to the Public

- Christine Santana, representative for the applicant and owner of the property, came forward to answer questions. Ms. Santana stated that there is currently one church operating on the property. Commissioner Kirsten stated that that answered his question.

Public Portion of Hearing Closed

MOTION / VOTE:

The Planning Commission, on motion of Commissioner Cummins, Kiser second, approved the request of the Planning Commission for a Use Permit to allow the establishment of a religious facility within an existing commercial building located at 651 North Cherokee Lane, Suite C subject to the conditions in the resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners – Cummins, Kirsten, Kiser, and Chair Hennecke
Noes: Commissioners – None
Absent: Commissioners – Jones, Heinitz and Olson

- f) Notice thereof having been published according to law, an affidavit of which publication is on file in the Community Development Department, Chair Hennecke called for the public hearing to consider the request for a Use Permit to allow storage and wholesale distribution of wine at 927 Industrial Way. (Applicant: Donald Parker; File Number: 11-U-13)

Associate Planner Bereket gave a brief PowerPoint presentation based on the staff report. Staff recommends approval of the project.

Hearing Opened to the Public

- Don Parker, applicant, came forward to answer questions.
- Chair Hennecke asked if a distribution company of this type is competitive, because the Commission has seen a few of these types of applications. Mr. Parker stated that it can be competitive, but not all of the distribution companies ship the same volumes or products.

Public Portion of Hearing Closed

MOTION / VOTE:

The Planning Commission, on motion of Commissioner Kiser, Cummins second, approved the request of the Planning Commission for a Use Permit to allow storage and wholesale distribution of wine at 927 Industrial Way subject to the conditions in the resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners – Cummins, Kirsten, Kiser, and Chair Hennecke
Noes: Commissioners – None
Absent: Commissioners – Jones, Heinitz and Olson

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4. PLANNING MATTERS/FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

None

6. ACTIONS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Director Bartlam stated that there is a memo in the packet and staff is available to answer any questions.

7. GENERAL PLAN UPDATE/DEVELOPMENT CODE UPDATE

None

8. ACTIONS OF THE SITE PLAN AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Commissioner Kiser gave a brief report regarding the item that was brought before the Committee earlier this evening.

9. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES

None

10. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC

None

11. COMMENTS BY STAFF AND COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Kiser asked about the email that went out regarding the use of electronic devices. City Attorney Schwabauer stated that during a quasi hearing the applicant has due process rights to have the full attention of the board that is hearing the item. If an email, text, or phone call is received during a hearing the applicant could assume that it might be about their item and therefore are not getting their due process.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Konradt Bartlam
Planning Commission Secretary