

City of Bishop
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
City Council Chambers – 301 West Line Street
Bishop, California 93514

June 25, 2013

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Malloy called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Malloy.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Huntley, Lowthorp, Heckman and Malloy

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Hardy, Garcia, and Bhakta

OTHERS PRESENT:

Gary Schley, Public Services Officer
Keith Caldwell, City Administrator / Planning Director
Michele Thomas, Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Malloy asked if anyone wished to speak on a subject not calendared on the agenda. There was no public comment.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

(1) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION

Commissioner Huntley moved to approve the minutes of the May 29, 2013 meeting as written.

Ayes: Huntley, Lowthorp, Heckman, and Malloy

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0

PUBLIC HEARING

- (2) Request for a Conditional Use Permit to increase the allowable 80 sq. ft. of signage to 127 sq. ft. of signage at 926 North Main Street, which is in a C-1 zone (General Commercial and Retail).

The Public Hearing opened at 7:04 p.m.

Schley stated that LTD Management, owners of Taco Bell in Bishop, are proposing to set aside Bishop Municipal Code Section 17.76.100 to add additional signage to their existing 89 sq. ft. of signage for a total of 127 sq. ft.

Rick Jarvis, Jarvis Construction, explained that most of the signage will be on the front of the building. The swinging bell logo will be replaced with a larger bell and the signage currently below the bell will be next to it and this is part of the increase of signage. There is also a new canopy being added to the drive-thru area with a small amount of signage.

Schley added that the pole sign along Main Street will not be increasing in size.

The Public Hearing closed at 7:07 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

- (3) Request for a Conditional Use Permit to increase the allowable 80 sq. ft. of signage to 127 sq. ft. of signage at 926 North Main Street, which is in a C-1 zone (General Commercial and Retail).

Heckman asked Schley if the total accumulation of signage stated in the municipal code 17.17.100 includes all signage on the building. Schley answered yes and added that it also includes all signage within city limits, such as billboards. Malloy asked if the directional drive-thru signs are included and Schley said no. Heckman then asked if window decals are included and Schley also stated no.

Lowthorp said that he feels this is the lowest signage increase amount for a local fast food facility in Bishop that the commission has seen in recent years. Lowthorp made a motion to approve the request for a Conditional Use Permit to increase the allowable 80 sq. ft. of signage, currently at 89 sq. ft., to 127 sq. ft of signage at 926 North Main Street.

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0

STAFF AND COMMISSION REPORTS:

Schley said that the city has received a preliminary application for a side yard setback for 606 East Line Street. The existing house will be demolished and rebuilt into a two-story house. The owners are asking to keep the carport currently on the existing property line. They also want to set aside the requirement for curb, gutter, and sidewalk. Schley anticipates the project to be on the August agenda.

Schley shared that he is working with the architect for Cottonwood Plaza on a different concept of parking, trying to create a parking scheme that would accommodate any type of business that goes into the buildings without having to apply for additional CUPs for each type of occupancy.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Malloy adjourned the meeting at 7:17 P.M. The next scheduled meeting will be July 30, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

Chairman Malloy

Michele Thomas, Secretary