



Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 5.

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PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING OF: APRIL 23, 2009

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

DIRECTOR: M. MARGO WHEELER

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT:

Any items from the Planning Commission that the applicant wish to be stricken or held in abeyance to a future meeting may be brought forward and acted upon at this time

Motion made by **MR. RICHARD TRUMBULL** to Hold in abeyance Items 15, 18-21, 34 and 35 to 5/28/2009

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

MICHAEL E. BUCKLEY, VICTOR L. INN, STEVEN EVANS, GLENN TROWBRIDGE, RICHARD TRUMBULL, BYRON GOYNES, KEEN ELLSWORTH; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

PETER LOWENSTEIN, Planning and Development, outlined the various housekeeping items.

CATHERINE DUNCAN, Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce (Chamber), questioned the reason for the abeyance of Item 15. MARGO WHEELER, Director of Planning and Development, replied the reason is to hold another neighborhood meeting. MS. DUNCAN indicated that having neighborhood meetings is contrary to the American Planners Associations (APA) recommendations on how to proceed with the West Las Vegas Plan. One of the APAS recommendations was that the City not take the lead on the neighborhood meetings but to form an association, such as the Chamber, to bring forth this initiative. She desired to show the Commission some of the projects they want to bring forward and ask that the City accept the recommendation from APA and not move forward in the manner that is moving. ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY BRYAN SCOTT advised that it would be more appropriate for MS. DUNCAN to do so on 5/28/09 when the item would be heard. MS. DUNCAN argued that the Chamber needs to know the procedures were changed so they can be prepared.

COMMISSIONER GOYNES stated he does not believe the APA directs the Council on what to do. At the last neighborhood meeting, concerns were expressed on the notification process and some property owners in Ward 5 were not notified. The Councilman is doing his due diligence in expanding the notification area to include more people. The Commissioner suggested that MS. DUNCAN meet with the Councilman to discuss the Chamber's concerns, as well as discuss the APAS recommendations, prior to the neighborhood meeting. MS. DUNCAN remarked that she was not suggesting the APA directs the City Council, but she was told at the last meeting that the City Council would adopt the APAS recommendations. She asked if there is the opportunity for the Chamber of Commerce to suggest activities and projects to the Planning Commission before it goes to the City Council. MS. WHEELER advised MS. DUNCAN to contact her office to schedule an appointment before the neighborhood meeting.

KASTYTIS CEHAVICIUS, Design and Sales Architect, asked to withdraw the table request and proceed with hearing Item 27. MR. LOWENSTEIN verified that staff was ready to proceed as well.