



City of San Pablo Planning Commission MINUTES

Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at 6:00 pm
City Hall Council Chambers, Building 2
13831 San Pablo Avenue, San Pablo, CA 94806

Roll Call

Chairman Morris called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call showed present: Commissioner Shi, Vice Chair Harlan-Ogbeide and Chairman Morris. Commissioner's Feliciano and Gantt was absent. Commissioner Gantt's residence is within 500 feet of APN 417-211-007, the site of today's public hearing. Due to this conflict Commissioner Gantt was not able to be present during the public hearing. Staff present at the meeting included: Lynn Tracy Nerland, City Attorney; Charles Ching, Community & Economic Development Director; Libby Tyler, Interim Planning Manager; Sandra Marquez, Assistant Planner; Michelle Chavez, Administrative Secretary; San Pablo Police Captain Bubar and San Pablo Police Lieutenant Benone.

Public Comment

Approval of the Minutes

Commissioner Shi made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 24, 2019 meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Harlan-Ogbeide and approved by a vote of 3-0-2.

AYES: Shi, Harlan-Ogbeide, Morris
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gantt, Feliciano
ABSTAIN: None

Appeal Date

Chairman Morris announced that the appeal date for actions taken by the Commission at this meeting would be no later than 6:00 p.m. on **Monday, November 4, 2019.**

Public Hearing(s)

1. **PLAN1907-0009:** Request to amend Use Permit #1386 to expand liquor license from type 42 to type 48 to allow full liquor sales, extend hours of operation from midnight to 2:00 a.m., and allow live entertainment at El Mexicano Bar located at 1835 23rd Avenue, San Pablo, CA 94806, APN: 411-090-023.

Location 1835 23rd Street
APN 411-090-023
Zoning: 23rd St. Specific Plan, Commercial Mixed Use
CEQA: Categorically exempt, Section 15301, Class 1 Existing Facility
Owner: Cecilio Garcia
Applicant: Melva Gamez
Staff Contact: Sandra Marquez, Assistant Planner

City Attorney, Nerland mentioned that the public hearing from the September 24, 2019 Planning Commission was still open. Assistant Planner Marquez, presented the staff report along with findings and conditions of approval to allow live entertainment and answered questions from the Commissioners. San Pablo Police Captain Bubar, answered questions

from Commissioners. The San Pablo Police Department's main concern is public safety. The public hearing was opened at 6:28 p.m. Rosa Lara, a consultant for El Mexicano Bar, informed the Commission that other bar establishments in the City of San Pablo are allowed to stay open until 2:00 a.m. El Mexicano Bar should be treated fairly and should also be allowed to stay open until 2:00 a.m. The public hearing was closed at 6:32 p.m. Vice Chair Harlan-Ogbeide made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shi, to approve Resolution PC19-09 recommending approval to amend Use Permit #1386 to allow live entertainment for acoustic music only, and recommending denial to expand liquor license from type 42 to type 48 and extend hours of operation from midnight to 2:00am at El Mexicano Bar at 1835 23rd St. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0-2.

AYES: Shi, Harlan-Ogbeide, Morris
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gantt, Feliciano
ABSTAIN: None

Staff Updates

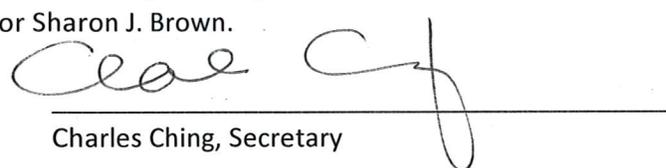
Director Ching reminded Planning Commissioners that Thursday, October 24 2019 the City of San Pablo is holding its annual Hall-O-Ween event from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business Chairman Morris adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m. to November 26, 2019, in memory of San Pablo Police Sergeant David J. Neece and former Mayor Sharon J. Brown.



Paul V. Morris, Chairman



Charles Ching, Secretary