

**MINUTES OF THE 15 FEBRUARY 2006
TRINIDAD PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

I. ROLL CALL

Chairman Kenny noted all Commissioners were present and called the meeting to order at 7:35p.m. Staff in attendance was Parker.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 18, 2006.

Parker explained that the main reason for having this meeting was to approve January's minutes so that they could be used for the upcoming US Cellular appeal. She asked the Commission to pay special attention to the reasoning leading up to their decision and the findings used for denial. Parker stated that the minutes should be very complete and asked the Commission if they had anything to add. Kenny asked that the minutes reflect the fact that the Commissioners noted at the meeting that they had read through the written correspondence that had been submitted prior to the meeting. There were no other changes. Fulkerson moved to approve the minutes as amended. Lake seconded. All were in favor. The motion passed 5-0.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no changes made to the agenda.

IV. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

Ron Zema and Sam Kagen came forward with a request to place a bench on a large piece of driftwood adjacent to the parking lot at Trinidad Beach. He noted that the location is one that has been pre-approved by the Planning Commission, but the design would be different as it would be placed on the driftwood. Parker noted that she remembered hearing about this request, but that she would have to review the City's bench policies and ordinances before making a recommendation. Kenny noted that the Commission could not make a decision or give approval without agendaizing the item for public hearing. It was agreed that staff would work with the applicant to figure out what kinds of permits, if any, would be necessary.

V. AGENDA ITEMS

PLANNING COMMISSION DISCUSSION / ACTION / PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

1. Review of findings for the January 18, 2006 decision on US Cellular 2005-13.

Parker explained that this item was on the agenda so that the Planning Commission could add any detail to their reasoning for the decision on this project, and determine whether staff had gotten a complete analysis of their findings. Johnson questioned whether the Commission should go through each individual finding and respond to them. Parker responded that that level of detail was unnecessary, but that if anything major had been left out of the

minutes or the Notice of Action, or if the Commission felt anything needed to be clarified, this was an opportunity to do so. She added that the Commission's record of decision would be used in the appeal hearing(s). The Commission had no additions or changes. There was short discussion about the previous hearing and the role of the Planning Commission.

VI. STAFF REPORT - None.

VI. COUNCIL LIAISON –

1. Views and Vegetation ordinance – Heyenga stated that this item had passed unanimously at the last City Council meeting
2. SB18 Policies – There was a discussion about how this new law came about and how the City would be implementing it. It was noted that the law requires very specific correspondence and timelines, but that the overall goal was open communication and productive dialog. Specific policies to implement SB18 would be before the Council in March.
3. Zone Change for Land Trust Property – Heyenga noted that there had been some confusion by the Council over this item as a result of SB18, but that the rezone had actually been approved in 2002, and this current item was just a technicality, not triggering SB18. C. Lindgren suggested, since it is so early in the implementation phase, that attorneys take a closer look at the issue.
4. US Cellular appeal – Heyenga explained that the Planning Commission's decision had been appealed, and that the Council would hear it at the next available meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Odom moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10. Lake seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by: Trever Parker, City Planner
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