

# Jackson Planning Commission

## Minutes

### Regular Meeting of December 20, 2010

#### COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joe Assereto  
Dave Butow  
Kathryn Devlin Vice-Chairman  
Walt Hoeser, Chairman  
Darek Selman

#### CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Susan Peters, City Planner  
Gisele Cangelosi, City Clerk

#### COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:

Note: The Staff Report Packet prepared for the Planning Commission is hereby incorporated into these minutes by reference as though set forth in full. Any Staff Report, recommended findings, mitigation measures, conditions, or recommendations which are referred to by Commissioners in their action motions on project decisions, which are contained in the Staff Reports, are part of these minutes. Any written materials, petitions, packets or comments received at the hearing also become part of these minutes. The recording tapes of this meeting are hereby incorporated into these minutes by reference and are stored in the City of Jackson Planning Department.

Chairman Hoeser called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### 1. Public Matters Not on the Agenda.

Richard Harrison, Main Event, invited the Planning Commission and public to the Main Event Grand Opening on January 14. He provided before and after pictures of the project that were provided by Larry Cento.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes. Minutes from the November 29, 2010 Meeting.

**Moved by Vice-Chairman Devlin, seconded by Commissioner Butow, and carried by a 4 to 1 vote (Commissioner Selman abstained) to approve the Minutes of the November 29, 2010 meeting as amended.**

#### 3. Sign Ordinance Review.

City Planner Peters reported at the November 29, 2010 Special Meeting the Planning Commission directed staff to prepare draft amendments of Development Code, Article III, Chapter 17.54 Sign Regulations. The objective of this workshop is to continue the review the proposed amendments, and provide direction to staff. Ultimately, the Planning Commission should be prepared to make a recommendation to the City Council regarding these amendments. Specific issues to be addressed in the update included the following:

- Adding a time limit to nonconforming temporary signs;
- Replacing pole signs with monument and free-standing sign requirements;
- Disallowing internally lit cabinet signs;
- Requirements for vending machines;

- Requirements for window signs;
- Total aggregate signage allowed;
- Descriptions of how signs are measured;
- Requirements for attention getting devices;
- Requirements for vehicle mounted signs.

The Planning Commission was provided the first draft of amended Development Code Article III, Chapter 17.54 Sign Regulations. All of the above mention issues were addressed with the exception of requirements for outdoor display of vending machines. Staff recommends that these requirements be placed in Section 17.24.050 Design Guidelines for Specific Land Uses – Subsection (G) Outdoor Retail Sales. Additionally, language allowing for internally lit channel letter signs in the Commercial Zone has not been added - staff is still working on language which would fit the City's needs.

The Planning Commission was presented a copy of Kam Merzlak's email regarding signage and the Highway 50 closure that is coming soon. City Planner Peters stated in the near future she would be meeting with Maureen Funk, Amador County Tourism to discussion signage and the Highway 50 closure.

Chairman Hoeser opened the public hearing. The following individuals voiced their concerns regarding the Sign Ordinance Review: Thornton Consolo, Tracey Towner-Yep and Dinah Ricker Judy Jebian, Thornton Consolo and Jack Georgette. Hearing no further comments from the public Chairman Hoeser closed the public hearing.

The Planning Commission reviewed Chapter 17.54 Sign Regulations page-by-page and after considerable discussion among the Planning Commission and staff the item was continued to the January 18, 2011 meeting. Due to the continued controversy regarding Section 17.54.115 Removal of Nonconforming Signs, staff was directed to contact the City Attorney to provide comment on this issue.

#### **4. Administrative Reports.**

Vice-Chairman Devlin inquired if there was a new estimated date as to when the Architectural Regulations would be presented to the City Council for final consideration.

City Planner Peters reported she has been diligently working on the Architectural Regulations and hoped to schedule that public hearing in the Spring. However the focus has changed and she has been on completing the revisions to the Housing Element.

Adjourn 8: 45 p.m.

Attest:

  
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Gisele Cangelosi, City Clerk

Date Approved: February 22, 2011