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MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
CITY OF NEEDLES, CALIFORNIA
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 07, 2024 AT 4:00 PM
EL GARCES - 950 FRONT STREET, NEEDLES**

CALL TO ORDER - Chair Rath called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Michael Wright
Barbara Beard
Bob Rath
Kevin Ostby

ABSENT

Charles Dressler
Will Bosboom

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Chair Rath

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Commissioner Ostby, second by Commissioner Wright to approve the agenda. Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Wright, Beard, Chair Rath, and Commissioner Ostby

Noes: None

Absent: Commissioners Dressler and Bosboom

Abstain: None

CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None

CORRESPONDENCE - None

INTRODUCTIONS - Chair Rath acknowledged Mayor Jernigan and Commissioners Campbell and Longbrake in attendance.

PUBLIC APPEARANCE - None

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public Hearing noticed to consider all evidence and testimony for or against PC Resolution 08-07-2024-PC approving a Special Use Permit to establish a 1,200 square foot Pacific Clinics Social Center within the Needles Towne Center, located at 1060 E. Broadway Street, within the General Commercial (C-2) zoning designation, also known as APN 0186-222-09. Staff Report and Power Point Presentation given by City Planner Romero. Commission asked questions of staff and applicant. Considerable discussion ensued.

Candy Curiel, Sr. Clinical Director, and Mauricio Cruz, Program Director, spoke on the benefits of the program and answered questions.

Chair Rath opened the public hearing at 5:08

There was considerable public comment in favor of approval. Cheryl Carl, Ann McGrath, and Peter Tovar spoke in favor of the program, citing benefits to the community, and some personal experiences with the program.

Chair Rath closed the public hearing at 5:13 pm.

Commissioner Beard moved, second by Commissioner Ostby, to adopt PC Resolution 08-07-2024-PC approving a Special Use Permit to establish a 1,200 square foot Pacific Clinics Social Center within the Needles Towne Center, located at 1060 E. Broadway Street, within the General Commercial (C-2) zoning designation, also known as APN 0186-222-09, pursuant to a categorical exemption in accordance with CEQA guidelines section 15332.

REGULAR ITEMS

- 2. Approve the Minutes of July 10, 2024

Commissioner Wright moved, second by Commissioner Ostby, to approve the minutes of July 10, 2024. Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Wright, Beard, Chair Rath, and Commissioner Ostby
Noes: None
Absent: Commissioners Dressler and Bosboom
Abstain: None

COMMISSIONER REQUESTS

There were no commissioner requests.

CITY MANAGER REPORT given by City Manager Martinez

- 3. Manager's Reports for the weeks of July 19 and July 26, 2024

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Rath called for a motion to adjourn at 5:30 pm. Commissioner Beard moved, second by Commissioner Ostby and carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Wright, Beard, Chair Rath, and Commissioner Ostby
Noes: None
Absent: Commissioners Dressler and Bosboom
Abstain: None

Robert Rath
Chair

Candace Clark, CPMC
Assistant City Clerk