

Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2019

A regular meeting of the City of Yuma Planning and Zoning Commission was held on Monday, January 28, 2019, at the City of Council Chambers, One City Plaza, Yuma, Arizona.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEMBERS present included Chairman Chris Hamel, and Commissioners Gregory Counts, Fred Dammeyer, and Tiffany Ott (via phone). Commissioner Vinod Mohindra was absent. There are two vacancies.

STAFF MEMBERS present included Laurie Lineberry, Director of Community Development; Rodney Short, Deputy City Attorney; Agustin Cruz, Senior Civil Engineer, Jennifer Albers, Principal Planner; Alyssa Linville, Principal Planner; and Amelia Griffin, Administrative Assistant.

Chairman Hamel called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and noted there was a quorum present, one member participating telephonically.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Hamel called for nominations for Chairman.

Commissioner Dammeyer nominated Chris Hamel.

MOTION

Motion by Dammeyer, second by Counts to elect Chris Hamel as Chairman. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

Hamel called for nominations for Vice-Chairman.

Commissioner Counts nominated Fred Dammeyer.

MOTION

Motion by Counts, second by Ott to elect Fred Dammeyer as Vice-Chairman. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

CONSENT CALENDAR

MINUTES – January 14, 2019

WITHDRAWALS BY APPLICANT – None

CONTINUANCES –

1. **SUBD-24366-2018:** This is a request by Dahl, Robins and Associates, on behalf of The Nelson Family Trust, 4/13/95 and Kerry & Gail Schimpf Trust, 11/19/03, for approval of the final plat for The Fields at Castle Dome Subdivision. This commercial subdivision will contain 25 acres and is proposed to create seven lots ranging size from 1.22 acres to 8 acres. The property is located north of the intersection of E. 8th Street and S. Castle Dome Avenue, Yuma, AZ.

APPROVALS – None

Motion by Counts, second by Ott, to APPROVE the Consent Calendar as presented. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

PUBLIC HEARINGS

GP-23761-2018: This is a General Plan Amendment by the City of Yuma to adopt the 2018 Yuma Bikeways Plan and amend the City of Yuma 2012 General Plan to incorporate the Bikeways Plan. Specifically, Chapter 3 – Transportation Element, is being modified to reflect an updated proposed bikeway network as well as updated goals, objectives, and strategies to implement the plan. (*This is the second of two public hearings.*)

Jennifer Albers, Principal Planner, summarized the staff report, recommending **APPROVAL**.

Albers said public comments were received at the January 14, 2019 Planning and Zoning Commission hearing in regard to connecting the bikeway network to the Barkley Ranch subdivision. **Albers** noted that there was currently a bike path in the Barkley Ranch Subdivision from 28th Street to 32nd Street and a bike lane on 32nd Street. She added that there was a disconnection to the rest of the community because the area has not been developed.

QUESTIONS FOR STAFF

None

APPLICANT / APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MOTION

Motion by Dammeyer, second by Ott, to APPROVE Case Number GP-23761-2018. Motion carried (3-1) with Counts voting nay.

ZONE-24256-2018: This is a request by Dahl, Robins and Associates, Inc., on behalf of Yucca Land Company AZ, LLC, to rezone approximately 142.5 acres from the Agriculture (AG) District to the Low Density Single-Family Residential (R-1-5) District, for the property located at the southwest corner of E. 44th Street and S. Avenue 8E, Yuma, AZ.

Alyssa Linville, Principal Planner, summarized the staff report, recommending **APPROVAL**.

QUESTIONS FOR STAFF

None

APPLICANT / APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MOTION

Motion by Counts, second by Dammeyer, to APPROVE Case Number ZONE-24256-2018. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

INFORMATION ITEMS

Staff

Laurie Lineberry, Director of Community Development, informed the Commission there were no items for February 11, 2019. **Lineberry** clarified the importance of Commission members confirming attendance before a scheduled meeting.

Lineberry referenced a letter to the editor written by Ross Hieb published in the Yuma Sun. The article stated that the bike path plan was poorly timed. **Lineberry** said staff has been working on the bikeway plan for over a year and a half. **Lineberry** stated the plan did not guarantee anything would be built and added that it was a plan for opportunities. She said the plan allowed staff to look ahead, hunt for grants, and ensure bike lanes were painted if an existing road was improved.

Commission

None

Public

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

Minutes approved this 25 day of February, 2019



Chairman