



**PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, February 12, 2024**

6:00 PM
City Hall
130 Cremona Drive, Suite B
Goleta, California

Members of the Planning Commission

*Jennifer Smith, Chair
Katie Maynard, Vice Chair
Jason Chapman, Commissioner
Jennifer Fullerton, Commissioner
Anne Miller, Commissioner*

*Peter Imhof, Secretary
Winnie Cai, Assistant City Attorney
Deborah S. Lopez, City Clerk*

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Maynard called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF PLANNING COMMISSION

Present: Commissioner Chapman, Commissioner Fullerton, Commissioner Miller, Vice Chair Maynard

Absent: Chair Smith

Staff present: Peter Imhof, Planning and Environmental Review Director; Winnie Cai, Assistant City Attorney; JoAnne Plummer, Parks and Recreation Manager; Jaime Valdez, Director of Neighborhood Services; Anne Wells, Advance Planning Manager; Andy Newkirk, Supervising Senior Planner; Blake Markum, Deputy City Clerk; Caitlin Colyer, PER Commission Clerk

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

AMENDMENTS OR ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

Peter Imhof, Planning and Environmental Review Director, stated there were no amendments or adjustments.

A. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

A.1 Selection of the Chair and Vice-Chair for 2024

Select a Chair and Vice-Chair from among the members of the Planning Commission.

2024 Chair and Vice Chair Staff Report

- MOTION: Commissioner Fullerton moved to nominate Commissioner Maynard for Chair and Commissioner Chapman as Vice-Chair for the 2024 Planning Commission.
- VOTE: Motions approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Blake Markum from the City Clerk's Office over saw the nominations and elections of the new Chair and Vice Chair for 2024. Commissioner Fullerton nominated Commissioner Maynard as Chair and Commissioner Chapman as Vice Chair. The commission voted unanimously to elect both.

B. PUBLIC HEARING

B.1 24-062 General Plan Conformity Determination for the acquisition of City of Goleta an approximately 0.20-acre park located on Mathilda Drive and vacation of a right-of-way over the same area of land

Adopt Resolution 24-____, entitled "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of Goleta, California, Finding and Reporting that the Proposed Acquisition of an Approximately 0.20-acre Neighborhood Park Located on Mathilda Drive and Vacation of the Right-Of-Way Over the Same Area Of Land is in Conformity with the Goleta General Plan/Coastal Land Use Plan Pursuant to Section 65402 of the Government Code" (Attachment 1).

General Plan Conformity Determination for the acquisition of City of Goleta

JoAnne Plummer, Parks and Recreation Manager, and Jaime Valdez, Director of Neighborhood Services, gave a brief presentation on Mathilda Park.

No questions from the commission.

Public hearing opened at 6:09. P.M.

No comments from the commission.

Public hearing closed at 6:10 P.M.

- MOTION: Commissioner Miller moved, seconded by Vice Chair Chapman to adopt Resolution 24-____, entitled "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of Goleta, California, Finding and Reporting that the Proposed Acquisition of an Approximately 0.20-acre Neighborhood Park Located on Mathilda Drive and Vacation of the Right-Of-Way Over the Same Area Of Land is in Conformity with the Goleta General Plan/Coastal Land Use Plan Pursuant to Section 65402 of the Government Code" (Attachment 1).
- VOTE: Motion approved by roll call vote. Ayes: Chair Maynard, Vice Chair Chapman, Comiisioner Miller and Commissioner Fullerton. Noes: None. Absent: Commissioner Smith.

C. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM

C.1 24-061 General Plan/Coastal Land Use Plan 2023 Progress Report and Finding the Report is Exempt Under the California Environmental Quality Act

[Adopt Resolution No. 24-____, entitled "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of Goleta, California, Recommending to the City Council Approval of the General Plan/Coastal Land Use Plan 2023 Progress Report for Submittal to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and California Department of Housing and Community Development and Finding the Report to be Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act"](#)

[General Plan Coastal Land Use Plan 2023 Progress Report and Finding the Report is Exempt Under CEQA](#)

Anne Wells, Advance Planning Manager, and Andy Newkirk, Supervising Senior Planner, gave a presentation "General Plan/Coastal Land Use Plan 2023 Progress Report" to the commission (presentation on file).

Staff answered commissioner questions.

Chair Maynard opened the public comment at 6:38 P.M.

Public Speakers: April Reid spoke about Kenwood Village, asking Director Imhof about an updated CEQA or an amendment to the project. She also spoke about an easement and flooding regarding the property.

Chair Maynard closed the public comment at 6:43 P.M.

The commission asked additional questions to staff.

Chair Maynard closed the public hearing at 6:47 P.M.

The commission went into deliberations.

- MOTION: Commissioner Fullerton moved, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to adopt Resolution No. 24-02, entitled "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of Goleta, California, Recommending to the City Council Approval of the General Plan/Coastal Land Use Plan 2023 Progress Report for Submittal to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and California Department of Housing and Community Development and Finding the Report to be Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act"
- VOTE: Motion approved by roll call vote. Ayes: Chair Maynard, Vice Chair Chapman, Commissioner Miller, and Commissioner Fullerton. Noes: None. Absent: Commissioner Smith.

D. PLANNING DIRECTORS COMMENTS

Director Imhof stated the State of California certified the City of Goleta's Housing Element after several years of processing and he acknowledged Ms. Wells and Mr. Newkirk's exceptional skills in completing that project.

E. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

Vice Chair Chapman agreed with Director Imhof and stated the report was a lot of work and that Goleta will serve as a good example as a coastal California city doing things in a smart way that still meets the States requirements.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 P.M.