MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2024, AT 6:30 P.M., IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Gutierrez.

ROLL CALL Commissioners: Barragan, Dimas, Gonzalez, and Gutierrez

Absent: Grajeda

Staff: Interim Director of Economic Development and Planning

Louis Morales and Assistant City Attorney Gloria Ramirez

PUBLIC COMMENT NO

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES PUBLIC HEARING None.

Variance No. 24-06

Interim Director Louis Morales presented this item for the Planning Commission to consider a request to modify Variance No. 21-01 to increase the height of the freestanding readerboard by an additional 36 feet and increase the size of the readerboard by an additional 528 square feet per side.

Interim Director Morales informed the Commission that staff's recommendation was as follows: 1) approve of Resolution PC 24-08 and adopt the Notice of Exemption 2) adopt the required Findings prepared by staff in Attachment A of the Staff Report, and 3) conditionally approved Variance No. 24-06 subject to the conditions in Attachment B of the Staff Report. At the conclusion of the presentation, Interim Director Morales asked the Commission if they had any questions for him or the applicant.

The Commission directed questions and expressed some concerns to staff. Discussion ensued.

The Public Hearing was opened.

The Public Hearing was closed.

The applicant addressed the Commission to provide more information regarding their business and request. Discussion ensued.

After discussion, Chairperson Gutierrez motioned, seconded by Vice Chairperson Gonzalez to continue the item to the next scheduled Planning Commission meeting so staff can research the appropriate wattage for the sign at night, hours of operation, and sign height to bring back to the Commission.

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Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Chairperson Gutierrez, Vice Chairperson Gonzalez, Commissioners Barragan and Dimas (4)

ABSENT: Commissioner Grajeda (1)

STAFF REPORTS

Interim Director Morales provided the following update: 1) Grading has started for the development at the corner of Telegraph & Washington. 2) Remediation will be starting soon for the proposed Modelo Project at the Veterans Park site. The city received a grant from DTSC to assist with the cost for the clean-up of the site.

Vice Chairperson inquired about the General Plan Update.

Commissioner Barragan inquired about the status of bringing in new businesses to the City of Commerce and if there would be a specific individual that would handle that.

COMMISSION REPORTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned.