MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE HELD ON MARCH 25, 2020 AT 6:30 P.M., (TELECONFERENCE)

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lainez at 6:35

p.m.

ROLL CALL Commissioners: Peraza, Serfozo, Grajeda, Gonzalez, and

Lainez

Staff: Director of Economic Development and Planning Jose Jimenez, Associate Planner Sonia Griego, and City Attorney

Noel Tapia

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Conditional Use Permit No. 541 5555 Telegraph Road A request to allow the establishment and operation of retail sales within an existing 8,352 square foot industrial building in the City's M-2 zoning district.

Associate Planner Griego presented the report and informed the Commission that staff's recommendation was to approve the Conditional Use Permit.

The public hearing was opened.

The Commission directed questions to staff. Trinidad Ortega, cofounder and president of Dura Flooring, and city staff responded to the questions. Topics included business operations, the relocation of the company, number of customers/trips, and number of staff. The number of employees will remain the same. Although there will be a showroom retail component, the use does not attract a large number of customers.

The public hearing was closed then re-opened to allow another member of the public to speak. No member of the public spoke and public hearing was again closed.

Commissioner Peraza asked if the CUP may be re-visited at the end of the lease agreement (5 years), which it may, if stated as a condition of approval. A time limit on the CUP was discussed.

Jose Jimenez pointed out that the Director has the power to suspend, revoke or call up a CUP if operating outside of the conditions of the CUP. There must be a sufficient cause.

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Conditional Use Permit No. 541 5555 Telegraph Road Cont'd Commissioner Grajeda motioned, seconded by Commissioner Serfozo to approve Conditional Use Permit No. 541 with the specific findings in Attachment A and the conditions of approval in Attachment B. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Chairperson Lainez, Vice-Chairperson Gonzalez, Commissioners Grajeda, Peraza, and Serfozo (5)

COMMISSION REPORTS

Chairman Lainez announced that the food bank is running every Thursday of the month between the hours of 10:00AM and 1:00PM at 5625 Jillson Street. Also, Montebello Unified School district is offering meals for children in between the ages of 1 and 18, between 10:30AM and 11:30AM every day at their schools.

Jose Jimenez addressed COVID-19 concerns and asked that everyone remain safe and as neutral as possible. Jose directed meeting participants to the city website for resources and asked residents to not be alarmed if public safety patrols the local streets, they are there to offer a feeling of comfort.

Chairperson Lainez stated that a video conference call would be more helpful for the next Planning Commission meeting. Jose Jimenez mentioned that video conferencing software should be available at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Lainez motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Chairperson Lainez, Vice-Chairperson Gonzalez Commissioners Grajeda, Peraza and Serfozo (5)

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.