MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE HELD ON OCTOBER 28, 2020 AT 6:30 P.M., (TELECONFERENCE)

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Gonzalez at

6:30 p.m.

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

Serfozo

Staff: Director of Economic Development and Planning Jose

Jimenez and City Attorney Noel Tapia

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

PUBLIC HEARING None

SCHEDULED **MATTERS**

Presentation –

General Plan Update

The Planning Commission received a presentation from the consultant team with MIG (Esmeralda Garcia and Laura Stetson) on the General Plan Update. They gave an overview of the Community Meeting that was held and informed the Commission of the input that was received from the community. They also went over the Current General Plan Land Use Plan. The plan is for a mix of uses along Atlantic Blvd and Washington Blvd that creates the amenities that are needed along the key travel corridors.

The Commission directed questions to the consultant team and staff. Discussion ensued.

The Commission received and filed the presentation.

Economic Development Sub-Committee Update Director of Economic Development and Planning Jimenez gave a presentation regarding the Economic Development Subcommittee and provided an update on the roles and responsibilities of the committee.

The Commission directed questions to staff. Discussion ensued.

The Commission received and filed the presentation.

Community Benefit Plans Discussion

Director of Economic Development and Planning Jimenez gave a presentation regarding the Community Benefit Plan.

The Commission directed questions to staff and also made

some suggestions. Discussion ensued.

The Commission received and filed the presentation.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Chairperson Gonzalez reminded everyone to vote if they haven't already and to be safe.

Commissioner Maravilla thanked staff for the presentations that were given and asked for patience as he gets up to speed with the Commission.

Vice Chairperson Peraza mentioned the following: 1) He has received some reports of events being held at Maguey's and there has been defecating in the alley. He asked that this be looked into and that he be provided with an update. 2) He asked for an update on the business on Commerce Way that is working without a permit. 3) He asked for an update on current projects (Popeyes and In-n-Out). 4) Asked about the grant for electrical charging stations.

At this time, Vice Chairperson Peraza made a motion for a future agenda item that provides the Commission with an update on the Green Zones Policy (the status and which actions have the City taken on the Green Zones Policy). Commissioner Serfozo seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Vice Chairperson Peraza then made a motion for a future agenda item that provides an update on the Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan. Commissioner Serfozo seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Vice Chairperson Peraza made a motion for a future agenda item for discussion of the Business Improvement Districts. Chairperson Gonzalez seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Lastly, he wished everyone a safe Halloween.

Chairperson Gonzalez added that he will not be available to meet the week of Thanksgiving. Discussion took place on changing the meeting date for the month of November.

Commissioner Serfozo thanked Jose for all of his work and appreciates that he always keeps the Commission informed. She also wished Vice Chairperson Peraza a happy birthday and reminded everyone to vote. She asked for feedback on the Covid restrictions for restaurants and inquired as to how they are doing.

STAFF REPORTS

Director of Economic Development and Planning Jimenez informed the Commission of the following:

- The Commerce Casino is open with outdoor gaming subject to the L.A. County Health Department rules and regulations which are being monitored.
- In-n-Out, which was approved back in February, is moving along but with some challenges due to the Citadel 10-acre development that may not happen. The possible impacts are being looked at but they should be able to move forward independently.
- Popeyes is quickly coming along and may be completed mid to late December.
- Staff has been walking throughout the City to get information out regarding Measure VS.
- Voting ballot box is located near the City Hall entrance by the parking area.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Gonzalez motioned, seconded by Commissioner Serfozo to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Meeting adjourned.