

**CITY OF CHICO PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF
March 18, 2021
Draft Minutes**

Municipal Center
421 Main Street
Council Chambers

Commissioners Present: Bryce Goldstein, Chair
Lupita Arim-Law, Vice Chair
Toni Scott
Dennis Deromedi

Commissioners Absent: John Howlett, Richard Ober, Ken Rensink

Staff Members Present: Bruce Ambo, AICP, Principal Planner
Mike Sawley, AICP, Senior Planner
Matt Johnson, Senior Development Engineer
Vince C. Ewing, City Attorney
Nicole Acain, Administrative Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Goldstein called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

1.1 Chair Goldstein led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.2 Commission members and staff were present as noted.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Deromedi moved to approve the minutes from the March 04, 2021 meeting.

Chair Goldstein seconded the motion.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Goldstein, Arim-Law, Deromedi, Scott.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Howlett, Ober, Rensink.

3. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

None.

4. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- 4.1 **Amendments to Exempt Governmental Signs in Chapter 19.74 of Title 19 of the Municipal Sign Code:** The proposed Sign Code amendments would exempt certain governmental signs that are installed in the City right-of-way or on City property. The proposed amendments also establish a new definition of Informational Sign Kiosk and facilitate the installation of these signs in the Downtown area. The proposed amendments to Title 19 of the Chico Municipal Code have been determined to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) (General Rule Exemption), and pursuant to Section 15311(a) (Accessory Structures – On Premises Signs) of the CEQA Guidelines. **Questions regarding this project may be directed to Principal Planner Bruce Ambo at (530) 879-6801, or bruce.ambo@chicoca.gov**

Announcement of Ex Parte communications:

Principal Planner Bruce Ambo presented the report and answered questions from the Commission.

Chair Goldstein opened the public hearing and invited public testimony.

Addressing the Commission on this item were: Melanie Bassett- DCBA, Shelley Price- Soofa

With no other members of the public wishing to address the Commission, Chair Goldstein closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Scott moved that the Planning Commission Adopt Resolution No. 21-03, recommending City Council adoption of the ordinance to amend Title 19 of the Chico Municipal Code as set forth therein (Attachment A)

Vice Chair Arim-Law seconded the motion.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Goldstein, Arim-Law, Deromedi, Scott.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Howlett, Ober, Rensink.

5. **REGULAR AGENDA**

None

6. **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Principal Planner Bruce Ambo announced that the Housing Element website has the information from the first community meeting and also a Results are in with an interactive tool to help understand financing and development of affordable housing.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m. to the regular meeting of Thursday, April 01, 2021.

Date Approved

Bruce Ambo, Principal Planner
Community Development Department /
Planning Commission Secretary