

MINUTES - FINAL

City of Orange

Planning Commission

July 07, 2025

The Planning Commission of the City of Orange, California convened on July 7, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in a Regular Meeting in the Council Chamber, 300 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange, California.

1. OPENING/CALL TO ORDER

Chair Vejar called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Vazquez led the flag salute.

1.2 ROLL CALL

Present: Leslie, Martinez, Vazquez, Maldonado, Tucker, McCormack, and Vejar

Absent: None

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine by the Planning Commission and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of said items unless members of the Planning Commission, staff or the public request specific items removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action.

3.1. Approval of meeting minutes of the City of Orange Planning Commission Regular Meeting held on June 16, 2025.

ACTION: Approved minutes as presented.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Commissioner McCormack, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve the Consent Calendar as recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Leslie, Martinez, Vazquez, Maldonado, Tucker, McCormack, and Vejar

Noes: None

Absent: None

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

4.1. Continued Public Hearing to consider an ordinance amending provisions in Title 17 of the Orange Municipal Code relating to the sale and service of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with the operation of a bona fide restaurant, subject to special use regulations. (Continued from June 2, 2025)

Associate Planner Arlen Beck presented the staff report and highlighted the requested changes to the proposed ordinance.

Associate Planner Arlen Beck and Community Development Director Russell Bunim responded to Commissioner questions related to administration of the application proposed by the Ordinance and to the proposed conditions outlined in Section 17.30.025 of the proposed Ordinance.

Senior Assistant City Attorney Nathalie Adourian verified any entitlements granted would run with the land and not individual owners.

Chair Vejar opened the public hearing at 5:44 p.m. There being no public speakers, she closed the Public Hearing at 5:44 p.m.

Commissioners discussed the intent and enforcement potential of Section 17.30.025 Condition Number 20 of the proposed Ordinance.

A motion was made by Chair Vejar, seconded by Commissioner Martinez to:

1. Adopt Planning Commission Resolution No. PC 05-25 recommending that the City Council adopt an Ordinance amending Title 17 of the Orange Municipal Code to allow the sale and service of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with the operation of a bona fide restaurant as a permitted use in certain zoning districts subject to special use regulations, and to remove condition number 20 of Section 17.30.025 of the proposed Ordinance relating to the prohibition of happy hour promotions.

Ayes: Leslie, Martinez, Tucker, McCormack, and Vejar

Noes: Vazquez, and Maldonado

Absent: None

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

The next Regular Planning Commission meeting will be held on Monday July 21, 2025 at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber, 300 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange California 92866.

s/s Hayden Beckman

Hayden Beckman
Planning Manager