

MINUTES

City of Orange

Planning Commission

April 21, 2025

The Planning Commission of the City of Orange, California convened on April 21, 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 5:35 p.m.

1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner McCormack led the flag salute.

1.2 ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Vazquez, and Tucker

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 April 7, 2025.

ACTION: Approved minutes as presented.

3.2. Time extension for Street Lights Mixed-Use Apartment Development located at 840 The City Drive South.

ACTION: Approved item as presented.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Vice Chair Leslie, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Noes: None

Absent: Vazquez, and Tucker

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

4.1. Public Hearing to consider an ordinance establishing Single Room Occupancy housing as a permitted land use for certain qualifying properties and finding of CEQA exemption.

Chair Vejar opened the public hearing at 5:42 p.m.

Public Speakers:

None

Chair Vejar closed the public hearing at 5:43 p.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner McCormack to:

1. Adopt Planning Commission Resolution No. 16-24 recommending the City Council adopt an Ordinance amending Title 17 of the Orange Municipal Code to allow Single-Room Occupancy housing as a permitted use in certain zoning districts and related definitions and development standards.
2. Find the ordinance categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15378.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Noes: None

Absent: Vazquez, and Tucker

4.2. Public Hearing to consider an update to Title 17 of the Orange Municipal Code (OMC) to amend provisions relating to number of chickens allowed on residential properties and setback requirements; and finding of CEQA exemption.

Chair Vejar opened the public hearing at 5:45

Public Speakers:

Karen Bustamante spoke in favor of the Ordinance.

Chair Vejar closed the public hearing at 5:58 p.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Leslie to:

1. Adopt Planning Commission Resolution No. PC 03-25 recommending that the City Council adopt an Ordinance amending Title 17 of the Orange Municipal Code to update the number of chickens permitted on residential properties and setback requirements and amended language as provided by staff.
2. Find the ordinance categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15378.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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


Noes: None

Absent: Vazquez, and Tucker

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

The next Regular Planning Commission Meeting will be held on Monday, May 5, 2025, at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Chad Ortlieb", written over a horizontal line.

Chad Ortlieb

Principal Planner