

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA
PLANNING COMMISSION**

**August 09, 2021
Regular Meeting – 6:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair de Arakal called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Commissioner Russell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Chair Byron de Arakal, , Commissioner Adam Ereth (via Zoom),
Commissioner Dianne Russell, Commissioner Jon Zich

Absent: Commissioner Russell Toler

Officials Present: Director of Economic and Development Services Jennifer Le, Associate
Planner Justin Arios, Assistant City Attorney Tarquin Preziosi, City
Engineer Seung Yang and Recording Secretary Julie Colgan

PRESENTATION:

**Presentation recognizing Vice Chair Tourjé for her service on the Planning
Commission.**

Chair de Arakal read a Proclamation commending Vice Chair Tourjé for her service on
the Planning Commission.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR:

No public comments.

Nomination: Chair de Arakal nominated Commissioner Zich. Seconded by
Commissioner Russell.

MOVED/SECOND: de Arakal/Russell

MOTION: Motion to appoint Jon Zich as Vice Chair for the Planning Commission.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: de Arakal, Russell, Zich

Nays: Ereth
Absent: Toler
Recused: None
Motion carried: 3-1-1-0

PUBLIC COMMENTS – MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA:

Jay Humphrey, resident, expressed concerns regarding housing in the City, traffic, and gave alternative ideas for providing affordable housing.

Speaker 2 asked the Commission for follow through on creating the Human Relations and Equity Committee.

Caller 1 spoke about the sound study that was performed for Smart and Final and expressed concerns with the results of the study.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

Commissioner Russell expressed her enjoyment attending the concert in the park over the weekend and encouraged bike riding in the city.

Vice Chair Zich thanked his fellow Commissioners for his nomination as Vice Chair.

Chair de Arakal expressed concerns on the City's population growth becoming stagnant. He gave examples of surrounding city's growth numbers. He also expressed concerns about over crowded housing and the amount of affordable housing available.

CONSENT CALENDAR: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. PLANNING APPLICATION 21-06 FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE SERVICE AND REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES WITHIN 200 FEET OF RESIDENTIALLY-ZONED PROPERTY AT 261-263 BRIGGS AVENUE

Project Description: Planning Application 21-06 is a request for a Conditional Use Permit to establish a motor vehicle service and repair facility for Rivian, an electric vehicle maker, within 200 feet of residentially-zoned property. The proposed facility will act as Rivian's pre-inspection and delivery center and provide minor vehicle service and repairs, such as wheel alignment, hardware replacement, and software program updates. The proposed use would be a 24/7 operation and all service activities would take place inside the existing building, with the exception of outdoor vehicle storage.

Commissioner Ereth recused himself at 6:48 p.m. due to working on a project within close proximity of the project location.

Motion: Chair de Arakal announced this item would be moved to the next regularly scheduled meeting due to a lack quorum.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORT(S):

1. Public Services Report – Mr. Yang announced the Wilson Street Water Main project by Mesa Water Direct.
2. Development Services Department – Ms. Le provided a status update on the Housing Element and an update on the Smart and Final Noise Study.

CITY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE REPORT(S)

1. City Attorney - None.

ADJOURNMENT AT 6:27 P.M.

Submitted by:



JENNIFER LE, SECRETARY
COSTA MESA PLANNING COMMISSION