



CITY OF RED BLUFF

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PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES Tuesday, October 22, 2019, 5:15 p.m. City Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Piffero called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Piffero led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL:

Planning Commissioners Present:	Planning Commissioners Absent:
Steve Piffero, Chairperson	None
Doug Dale, Vice Chair	
Gerry Reyes, Commissioner	
Robert James, Commissioner	
Tyler Miranda, Commissioner	

STAFF PRESENT:

Scott Friend, Community Development Director
Anita Rice, Deputy City Clerk

4. CITIZEN COMMENT

None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the September 24, 2019 Minutes.

Vice Chair Dale motioned to approve the September 24, 2019 minutes as amended and Chairperson Piffero seconded the motion.

AYES: Commissioners Dale and Miranda

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Reyes and James

ABSTAINED: Chairperson Piffero

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6. UHAUL – Replacement of Sections of Concrete Wall with Rod Iron Fencing

Scott Friend, Community Development Director, reviewed the staff report and explained that no action is being recommended but based on the recommendations of the Planning commission, further action may or may not be required.

Mr. Friend reminded the Commission of the approved Use Permit allowing mini storage units and explained that Uhaul has submitted a request to modify the wall/fencing to allow wrought iron instead of a six-foot wall and requested the Commission give direction to staff. If the Commission recommendation only allows replacement of masonry fencing to wrought iron between the buildings along Main Street and/or between the buildings along I-5, this is considered a minor change and the Community Development Director could approve the change with no further Commission participation. However, if the Commission recommendation allows the potential for all fencing material along the perimeter to be replaced with wrought iron, a revision of the Use Permit and approval by the Planning Commission would be required.

Chairperson Piffero stated the original objection from the Planning Commission was that there would be some blockage of the RV storage from travelers driving southbound into Red Bluff.

Commissioner James suggested that Uhaul put a solid cover over the North end of the RV parking area in order to block the view of the southbound travelers.

Vice Chairperson Dale stated he would not accept wrought iron on all sides. He would like to see a wall on the northern border; along Main Street should stay the same.

Chairperson Piffero suggested a wrought iron fence on the north side would be ok if there is a slated wall, covering the RV section, so wind could buffer through; a solid wall would not work.

Mr. Friend reminded the Commission that the goal was to give Uhaul direction of what the Planning Commission would accept. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Friend confirmed he heard the Commission to conclude that Uhaul will have the following choices:

1. Stay with the existing conditions; a 6-foot masonry block wall around the entire lot or,
2. Come back to the Commission with a couple of different solutions; if they want to use wrought iron, they have to address the visual aspect.

Mr. Friend closed the comment session and invited Uhaul back to a future Planning Commission to present additional ideas based on the comments and suggestions they received from the Commission.

7. Staff Items and Comments

Mr. Friend announced the grand opening for Marshall's is scheduled for October 24th.

Staff reviewed plans for the Jackson Meadow apartments off of South Jackson north of PJ's Helicopters.

The County was awarded the Grant for the Vista Way Homeless Shelter and they were in the process of the old library demo in preparation of the jail expansion.

Commissioner Reyes mentioned he would most likely resign his seat on the Commission due to increased workload at Caltrans.

8. Adjourn

Chairperson Piffer adjourned the meeting at 5:11 p.m.

/s/Scott Friend
Community Development Director