

**CITY OF COLTON
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 14, 2009
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 650 NORTH LA CADENA DRIVE, COLTON, CA**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ramirez.

Commissioners Present

Cynthia Ramirez, Chairperson
Thomas Archuleta, Vice-Chairperson
Edward Martinez, Commissioner
Gary Mitchell, Commissioner
Frank Navarro, Commissioner
Joe Perez III, Commissioner

Staff Present

Mark Nuaimi, Assistant City Manager
Veronica McCoy, Planning Assistant
Rahsaan Tilford, Assistant City Attorney
Amanda Rhinehart, Senior Project Manager

Commissioners Absent

Richard Prieto, Commissioner (excused)

ITEM D – APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 26, 2009

Commissioner Martinez moved to approve the meeting minutes of May 26, 2009; seconded by Commissioner Navarro, motion carried with Chairperson Ramirez abstaining.

ITEM E – ORAL COMMUNICATION

Apolinar Espudo, Colton

Mr. Espudo expressed concern about the Colton Iron and Metal site and requested an update on the site's condition. Mr. Nuaimi stated that staff is preparing a written summary on the status of the property.

Ray Abril, Colton

Mr. Abril stated that he has the same concerns as Mr. Espudo and requested an update on the Colton Iron and Metal property.

ITEM F – COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

1. FILE INDEX NUMBER: DAP-000-852 MICHAEL ANDERSON

Ms. McCoy presented the staff report stating that the applicant is requesting Design Review approval of a 133 s.f. dining room addition to a single-family residence located at 2210 Mountain Court in the Reche Canyon Specific Plan Area.

Commissioner Perez III questioned how the project files are stored and tracked. Ms. McCoy stated that the project files are tracked on the Hdl software system.

Commissioner Mitchell inquired about the engineer for the project and whether the applicant had reviewed the Conditions of Approval specifically the condition regarding fire sprinklers.

Michael Anderson, Project Applicant

Mr. Anderson addressed questions regarding the project engineer and the Conditions of Approval. He stated that he would comply with the condition regarding fire sprinklers if required. Mr. Anderson inquired as to why residents of Reche Canyon are required to have their projects reviewed when other areas do not have that requirement. Mr. Tilford explained that residents in Reche Canyon are part of the Reche Canyon Specific Plan Area which has different design standards than other locations in the City.

Commissioner Mitchell moved to approve File Index Number DAP-000-852 subject to the Conditions of Approval; seconded by Commissioner Martinez, motion carried unanimously.

2. STUDY SESSION ON THE DRAFT HOUSING ELEMENT

Mr. Nuaimi provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Housing Element Update as follows:

Housing Element Update:

- Colton General Plan Activity Update
- State RHNA Mandate
- Housing Law and Residential Densities
- Strategies for Conformity
- Potential Risks
- Next Steps

Mr. Nuaimi addressed questions from the Commission regarding the delay in updating the element, classification of senior housing, the number of units included in the RHNA plan, inventory of existing units, second housing units, the Commission's review of the element and staff's strategy changes. Chairperson Ramirez stated that she had requested that State of California codes be referenced in the document and requested that any future revisions contain the references.

ITEM G – STAFF'S REMARKS/REVIEW OF CITY COUNCIL AGENDAS

Mr. Nuaimi stated that the Planning Commission agendas are available on the City's website and discussed staffing issues due to the medical absence of an Associate Planner.

ITEM H – COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Code and statute references in documents
- Scope of work for Housing Element consultant
- Implementation programs
- Canco Recycling
- Code Enforcement Program
- Historic homes
- Housing Element submittal
- Punch list of Commissioner's requests
- Colton Iron and Metal
- Capital Improvement Program
- Methodology used to achieve housing numbers
- Commissioner's requests for information

ITEM I - ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Martinez moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Commissioner Navarro, the meeting was adjourned.