



# Planning Commission Minutes

County of Ventura • Resource Management Agency

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January 4, 2024

1. **8:30 A.M. HEARING CALL TO ORDER**

2. **ROLL CALL**

**Commission:**

Scott Boydston, Chair	District 1
Charles Sandlin	District 2
Earl McPhail	District 3 - Absent
Maggie Kestly	District 4
Veronica Garcia, Vice-Chair	District 5

**County Staff**

Jeffrey Barnes, Chief Assistant County Counsel  
Dave Ward, Planning Director  
Luz Juachon, Recording Secretary

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

4. **ANNUAL MEETING TO ELECT THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR AND TO SET THE SCHEDULE OF HEARING FOR THE YEAR 2024.**

**Motion:** Elect Commissioner Garcia as the new Chair of the Planning Commission.

**Moved by:** Commissioner Kestly

**Motion carried:** 4-0 with 1 absent – Commissioner McPhail

Yes: Commissioners Boydston, Sandlin, Kestly and Garcia

**Motion:** Elect Commissioner Kestly for Vice-Chair of the Planning Commission.

**Moved by:** Commissioner Boydston

**Motion carried:** 4-0 with 1 absent – Commissioner McPhail

Yes: Commissioners Boydston, Sandlin and Kestly and Chair Garcia

**Motion:** The Planning Commission is available to meet every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 8:30 a.m. for the year 2024.

**Moved by:** Commissioner Boydston     **Seconded by:** Vice-Chair Kestly

**Motion carried:** 4-0 with 1 absent – Commissioner McPhail

Yes: Commissioners Boydston and Sandlin, Vice-Chair Kestly and Chair Garcia

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Time set aside for comments by citizens on matters not appearing on the agenda.

**Public Speaker:**

- Julie Perez – comments on Ventura Ranch Farmworkers Housing project.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 5, 2023, AND OCTOBER 19, 2023**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Approve, as presented.

**Motion:** Approve the October 5 and October 19, 2023, Meeting Minutes.

**Moved by:** Commissioner Boydston     **Seconded by:** Commissioner Sandlin

**Motion carried:** 4-0 with 1 absent - Commissioner McPhail

Yes: Commissioners Boydston and Sandlin, Vice-Chair Kestly (*abstained on October 5, 2023, Meeting Minutes*), and Chair Garcia

7. **DISCUSSION:**

**a) Report by the Planning Director on Board actions and other matters.**

Planning Director Ward reported on Planning related projects approved by the Board of Supervisors at their December 2023 meeting.

The Planning Commission next hearing date is on February 1, 2024, and anticipated to consider the following projects:

- PL23-0113
- PL23-0054
- PL23-0036

**b) Items the Planning Commission may wish to introduce.**

No reportable action taken.

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Planning Commission moved into Closed Session at 8:47 AM.

**8. THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES** (Gov. Code § 54957, subd. (a)).

No reportable action taken.

**9. MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Garcia adjourned the meeting out of closed session at 10:35 a.m.



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Luz Juachon, Recording Secretary  
Ventura County Planning Division