

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
Wednesday, January 26, 2022, 1:30 P.M.

PLANNING COMMISSION ROOM, FIRST FLOOR  
333 W. Santa Ana Blvd., 10 Civic Center Plaza  
Santa Ana, California

**KEVIN RICE**  
CHAIRMAN  
Third District

**CLAUDIA PEREZ**  
VICE-CHAIRWOMAN  
Fourth District

**DAVID E. BARTLETT**  
COMMISSIONER  
Fifth District



**TRUNG "JOE" HA**  
COMMISSIONER  
First District

**DANIEL MORGAN**  
COMMISSIONER  
Second District

ATTENDANCE: Commissioners: Ha, Bartlett, Perez and Rice

PRESENT: EXECUTIVE OFFICER Laree Alonso  
COUNTY COUNSEL Stephanie Clark  
SECRETARY Sharon Gilliam

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Ha, First District, led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**I. CONSENT ITEM(S) - Minutes**

The minutes of December 8, 2021 were motioned for approval by Commissioner Bartlett, seconded by Commissioner Perez, and approved by a unanimous vote.

**II. DISCUSSION ITEM(S)**

**ITEM #1 ELECTION OF PLANNING COMMISSION OFFICERS FOR 2022**

The following is the action taken by the Orange County Planning Commission:

**Motion #1**

The first motion for Item #1 was made by Commissioner Bartlett and seconded by Commissioner Perez to nominate Commissioner Rice as Chairman and was carried by a unanimous vote.

APPROVE

OTHER

DENIED

Unanimous  (1) Ha: Y (2) Morgan: X (3) Rice: Y (4) Perez: Y (5) Bartlett: Y  
Vote Key: Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain; X=Excused

**Motion #2**

The second motion for Item #1 was made by Commissioner Ha and seconded by Commissioner Bartlett to nominate Commissioner Perez as Vice-Chairwoman and was carried by a unanimous vote.

APPROVE  OTHER

DENIED

Unanimous  (1) Ha: Y (2) Morgan: X (3) Rice: Y (4) Perez: Y (5) Bartlett: Y  
Vote Key: Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain; X=Excused

**ITEM #2 PUBLIC HEARING – GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT LUE 22-01 (LAND USE ELEMENT) AND ZONING CODE AMENDMENT CA 22-01 (SECTION 7-9-44 HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES OVERLAY DISTRICT), ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS.**

**Recommended Action (s):**

1. Receive staff report and public testimony as appropriate.
2. Authorize staff to initiate General Plan Amendment LUE 22-01 (Land Use Element) to revise sections regarding housing to ensure compliance with existing State housing law, recent State mandates related to housing, and the County’s Housing Element.
3. Authorize staff to initiate Zoning Code Amendment CA 22-01 (section 7-9-44 Housing Opportunities Overlay District) to update the Housing Opportunities Overlay District regulations to ensure compliance with existing State housing law, recent State mandates related to housing, and the County’s Housing Element.

**Special Notes:**

Cindy Salazar, Senior Planner, provided the presentation and answered questions of the Planning Commission.

The following is the action taken by the Orange County Planning Commission:

The motion for Item #2 was made by Commissioner Bartlett and seconded by Commissioner Ha, to authorize staff to:

- 1) Initiate General Plan Amendment LUE 22-01 (Land Use Element) to revise sections regarding housing to ensure compliance with existing State housing law, recent State mandates related to housing, and the County’s Housing Element.
- 2) Initiate Zoning Code Amendment CA 22-01 (section 7-9-44 Housing Opportunities Overlay District) to update the Housing Opportunities Overlay District regulations to ensure compliance with existing State housing law, recent State mandates related to housing, and the County’s Housing Element.

APPROVE

OTHER

DENIED

Unanimous  (1) Ha: Y (2) Morgan: X (3) Rice: Y (4) Perez: Y (5) Bartlett: Y

Vote Key: Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain; X=Excused

**III. EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATE**

- Upcoming Planning Commission Items
  - Chabad Center – 3<sup>rd</sup> District, March 2022
- On December 16, 2021, Airport Land Use Committee (ALUC), finding of consistency for the adoption of General Plan Amendment H 20-01 (Housing Element Update)
  - Comments to the state are due by the end of February 2022
- Additional Workshop on SB9, commissioners can reach out to Planning staff for a future date

**IV. COUNTY COUNSEL UPDATE**

- AB361 Public Meetings
- Brown Act Presentation – next Planning meeting date

**V. PLANNING COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

- Commissioner Bartlett – asked for clarification on due date of Ethics Training - due date is December 2022
- Commissioner Perez - thanked everyone for their efforts in 2021, also thanked Commissioner Ha for serving as Chair in 2021, congratulations to Commissioner Rice for being voted Chairman for 2022
- Commissioner Ha requested guidance on how to address questions regarding Senate Bill 9. Commissioner Ha will reach out to staff, Laree Alonso and Brian Kurnow. Commissioner Ha thanked everyone for their support
  - The motion was made by Commissioner Ha and seconded by Commissioner Perez to direct staff to provide a workshop on SB9 at a future public meeting.

APPROVE

OTHER

DENIED

Unanimous  (1) Ha: Y (2) Morgan: X (3) Rice: Y (4) Perez: Y (5) Bartlett: Y

Vote Key: Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain; X=Excused

- Commissioner Rice thanked Commissioner Ha for his guidance during 2021, which presented a lot of challenges

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- None

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Planning Commission meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm.**