

**General Plan Advisory Committee
Temple City, California**

**Meeting Minutes
July 6, 2015**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The General Plan Advisory Committee (GPAC) meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Members – Acenas, Bustamante, DeMarco, Guan, Huang, Kwan, Liou, Pedraza, Santucci, Vance
ABSENT: Members – None
EXCUSED: Members – None

ALSO PRESENT: Community Development Director Michael Forbes, Placeworks consultants Woodie Tescher and Brant Birkeland

Mr. Forbes announced that Ms. Marston had resigned her position on the GPAC because she had been appointed to serve on the Planning Commission. Since the GPAC serves as an advisory body to the Planning Commission, she cannot serve on both bodies.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS LISTED AND NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. DeMarco stated that his recollection of the discussion on the land use diagram (item 5) was not consistent with what was reflected in the minutes. The committee discussed further and reached consensus that the minutes accurately reflected what was discussed as written.

Ms. Liou made a motion to approve the minutes for June 1, 2015, seconded by Ms. Vance, and unanimously carried.

5. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF GPAC PROPOSED DRAFT LAND USE DIAGRAM

Staff presented several locations around the City for further discussion about proposed changes to the land use diagram.

North end of Rosemead Blvd. – The GPAC reached a consensus that the area should retain its existing High Density Residential designation, rather than be changed to Medium Density Residential as originally recommended, subject to review as part of the traffic impact study, and with direction that a policy be

developed in the General Plan to require reduced density and/or intensity of development when it abuts Low Density Residential property.

Southeast corner of Rosemead and Hermosa – The GPAC unanimously voted to keep the original recommendation of changing the land use designation to Mixed Use and to keep it within the proposed Specific Plan area, with the understanding that the Specific Plan would specifically address development at this location to address its proximity to Low Density Residential properties.

Sheriff's Department Temple Station site – The GPAC unanimously voted to designate the property as Institutional, rather than the original recommendation of Mixed Use.

Rosemead Blvd. south of Sereno Dr. – The GPAC unanimously voted to retain the existing High Density Residential designation to reflect existing development.

Temple City Blvd. south of Longden Ave. – The GPAC voted 5-4 with 1 abstention to change the land use designation for the pre-school from Institutional to High Density Residential. The GPAC agreed about the need to discuss a general policy about what types of institutions warrant an Institutional land use designation.

Live Oak Ave. and McCulloch Ave. – The GPAC voted unanimously to change the land use designation from Institutional to High Density Residential.

Encinita Ave. industrial area – The GPAC voted unanimously to change the land use designation from Industrial to Medium Density Residential, consistent with the original recommendation.

Gidley St. industrial area – The GPAC voted 7-3 to change the land use designation for the Low Density Residential and Industrial properties on the north side of Gidley St. to High Density Residential. The properties near the intersection of Lower Azusa Rd. and Temple City Blvd. would retain their existing Commercial designation. Other options that were considered were to change the properties to Commercial as originally recommended, change them to Industrial, or leave them with their existing designations.

Cul-de-sac off of Freer west of Santa Anita – The GPAC voted 9-0 with 1 abstention to change the land use designation to Medium Density Residential to be consistent with the surrounding area.

6. GENERAL PLAN PRELIMINARY DRAFT PART 1 GOALS AND POLICIES DISCUSSION

Mr. Tescher presented the first part of the draft goals and policies for various elements of the updated General Plan and solicited comments from the GPAC.

Community Services Element.

- Section B: Art & Culture. Goal 1: Diversity of Arts and Cultural Resources. The GPAC reached consensus that the City should encourage all members of the community to have the opportunity to engage in performing arts. Explore opportunities with private organizations, the school districts, and the County Library to provide a performing arts venue.
- Section C: Education. Goal 1: High Quality Education. The GPAC reached consensus on the following that the policies should consistently address all the school districts that serve Temple City and include in the Land Use Element policies about compatibility of schools with surrounding residential neighborhoods.

Discussion on additional goals and policies was continued to the meeting of July 20, 2015.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. to the next GPAC meeting on Monday, July 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.



Betty Kwan, Chair

ATTEST:



Michael D. Forbes, Community Development Director