



CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES

"The Pass of the Oaks"

MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING PASO ROBLES CITY COUNCIL March 19, 1997

The City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles, meeting in adjourned regular session at 7:00 p.m., in the City's Library Conference Center, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles, California, was called to order by Mayor Duane Picanco with the following Council members answering roll call: Baron, Macklin, Swanson, and Picanco, Councilman Iversen being absent.

Public Comments: None Received

The Mayor announced that the adjourned regular meeting was for the purpose of meeting with the Planning Commission to discuss topics of mutual interest and concern.

Planning Commissioners Banakis, Ferravanti, Johnson, Mecham, and Warnke were present at roll call; Commissioners Finigan and Nemeth arrived at about 7:25 PM.

Discussion focused on the following topics, with the noted consensus being reached:

1. Industrial Land: There was agreement that the Planning Commission could look at the quantity and location of industrially zoned land and make proposals for rezoning existing properties to industrial designations. Locations that are close to City services / infrastructure would seem the most logical choices. Ways to improve the appearance of entrances to existing industrial areas was also discussed.
2. Permit Streamlining: The City Council indicated that it would be open to proposals from the Planning Commission regarding additional streamlining efforts.
3. Growth and Development: There appeared to be a comfort level with the content of the General Plan, but there was also a desire expressed to look beyond the year 2010 (which is the end of the current General Plan period).

4. Downtown Development / Vision Plan: The Council and Commission members reaffirmed their focus on downtown revitalization. The prospects for a hotel / conference facility were discussed, along with the long-term need to address off-street parking.
5. Development Review Committee (DRC): Discussion focused on various perceptions regarding the DRC's role(s) and successes. Guidelines versus standards were also discussed. Creation of a development process checklist and perhaps a video of how the development process works were both proposed.
6. Airport Land Use: The Commission was briefed on the Parsons meeting that was scheduled for March 24, 1997. There was agreement regarding the need to look at ways to support long-term development of and at the Airport.
- 7: Economic Development Strategy / Other Topics: Mention was made that there will be a meeting scheduled to review the status of the Economic Development Strategy. Concerns were expressed regarding commercial land uses that appear to have transitioned into substandard multi-family housing. There was agreement to meet again soon, perhaps before the end of 1997.

There being no further business, at 10:10 PM it was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to adjourn to a breakfast meeting with the Planning Commission at Wilson's at 7:00 AM on Friday, March 21, 1997, followed by a meeting to hear a presentation by Parsons Corporation at 3:00 PM on Monday, March 24, 1997, at the Paso Robles Inn, followed by the Regular Meeting in the Library Conference Center on Tuesday, April 1, 1997, at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Lata, Dir. of Community Development

(Minutes approved 05/06/97)

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