

**KINGS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES**

District 1 Commissioner – Riley Jones*

District 2 Commissioner – Bob Bajwa

District 3 Commissioner – R.G. Trapnell**

District 4 Commissioner – Jim Gregory

District 5 Commissioner – Steven Dias

*Chairman

**Vice-Chairman

January 4, 2016

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Kings County Planning Commission was called to order by Vice-Chairman Trapnell, on January 4, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, Administration Building, Kings County Government Center, Hanford, California. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: R.G. Trapnell, Jim Gregory, Bob Bajwa

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Steven Dias, Riley Jones

STAFF PRESENT: Greg Gatzka – Director, Erik Kaeding – County Counsel, Chuck Kinney – Deputy Director – Planning, Terri Yarbrough – Executive Secretary, Dan Kassik – Senior Planner

VISITORS PRESENT: John Douglas

SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA: Mr. Gatzka summarized the agenda for the Commission.

UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES: No one spoke during this portion of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made and seconded (Gregory/Bajwa) to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2015 meeting. Motion carried unanimously with Jones and Dias absent.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. General Plan Amendment No. 15-03 – Kings County Housing Element (2016-2014)

Mr. John Douglas, consultant for Kings County, provided an overview of the proposal to update the Kings County Housing Element which is a joint effort of Kings County and the four cities. Mr. Gregory asked if all five jurisdictions have to agree on everything and adopt all the items. Mr. Douglas stated there is a section for each jurisdiction and the county isn't obligated to adopt the items specific to the cities. He also reported there are some issues still to address in order to receive certification from HCD and that receiving certification will maintain the county's grant funding eligibility. Mr. Douglas explained the housing element requirements and key issues. He also stated that the document needs to be updated every eight years. Mr. Trapnell asked what happens if the numbers aren't met at the end of the eight years. Mr. Douglas clarified that these are planning requirements and a not a mandate for active construction. He stated that if you have the right zoning in place and development doesn't happen there is no penalty. Mr. Gregory asked if a portion of these projects can be infill or second story. Mr. Douglas confirmed.

Vice-Chairman Trapnell opened the public hearing and asked if there was anyone wanting to speak in favor or against the Housing Element update. Seeing none, he closed the public hearing.

A motion was made and seconded (Gregory/Bajwa) to adopt Planning Commission Resolution 16-01 as presented in the staff report. Motion carried unanimously with Jones and Dias absent.

2. Development Code Text Change 668.12

Mr. Dan Kassik provided an overview of a proposal to amend Sections of the Kings County Development Code to ensure consistency with the new Medical Marijuana Regulation and Safety Act. Mr. Kassik stated that the Development code was not consistent with the Code of Ordinances regarding medical marijuana regulations. Mr. Gregory asked if the Sheriff had been consulted. Mr. Erik Kaeding confirmed the Sheriff had been consulted and that there are no changes other than updating the Development Code.

A motion was made and seconded (Gregory/Bajwa) to adopt Planning Commission Resolution 16-02 as presented in the staff report. Motion carried unanimously with Jones and Dias absent.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. **FUTURE MEETINGS:** The next regular meeting of the Planning Commission is scheduled for Monday, February 1, 2016. Mr. Kassik reported there may be a CUP for a cell tower and for a dairy expansion.
- 2. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None
- 3. **STAFF COMMENTS:** None
- 4. **COMMISSION COMMENTS:** None

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

KINGS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION



Greg Gatzka, Commission Secretary