

October 6, 2021

THE WALNUT CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

A regular Meeting of the Walnut City Planning Commission (PC) was held on the above-referenced date. Chairperson Fernandez called the Meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE: Commissioner Sam

ROLL CALL: Commissioner(s): Fernandez, Perez, Dy, Sam, Wang

ALSO PRESENT: Assistant City Manager – Development Services Tom Weiner; City Planner Justin Carlson; Assistant City Attorney David Mann; City Engineer Dave Gilbertson; Senior Planner Chris Vasquez; Assistant Planner Corinne Munoz; Community Development Technician Gabriel Katigbak.

CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) ADVISORY:

C/Fernandez presented information regarding the California State Department of Health Services' guidance and the County of Los Angeles Public Health Officer's Order for the control of COVID-19. Additionally, C/Fernandez informed all attendees of the necessary procedures to be taken when submitting comments.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

C/Fernandez opened Oral Communications for Public Comment(s).

C/Fernandez closed Oral Communications for Public Comment(s).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. September 1, 2021 (Regular Meeting Minutes).

MOTION ON ITEM 2

VC/Perez moved to approve the Minutes of the regularly scheduled PC Meeting of September 1, 2021. PC/Dy seconded.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Fernandez, Perez, Dy, Sam, Wang

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None Scheduled.

OLD BUSINESS:

None Scheduled.

NEW BUSINESS:

2. Site Plan Case/Architectural Review (SPC/AR) 2021-007: A request to construct a new two (2) story addition with an attached three (3) car garage located at 655 N Rodeo Way (APN: 8709-055-068).

CDT/Katigbak presented the Staff Report.

C/Fernandez opened the Item for Public Comment(s).

PC/Dy discussed the entry way being unsymmetrical with a proposed cricket; and suggested that the entry way be shifted to the left of the garage in order to eliminate the cricket.

VC/Perez made note of not seeing an issue with the proposed entry way, or with the proposed Project in general.

C/Fernandez inquired if the Applicant is willing to shift the entry way to the west.

The Commission and Applicant further discussed the entry way and proposed roof.

Applicant/Brian Huang and Owner/Carmen Mexia both confirmed that the entry way can be shifted in order to eliminate the cricket.

PC/Sam and Applicant/Huang discussed the roof gable located to the front of the Residence, and the overall roof design.

PC/Wang inquired about the front-yard landscaping.

Owner/Mexia noted that the landscaping will remain the same but with newer, refreshed plants.

C/Fernandez closed the Item for Public Comment(s).

MOTION ON ITEM 2

PC/Dy motioned to approve SPC/AR 2021-007, subject to the attached COA's with an additional Condition that states:

- 1) The front porch gable shall be shifted to the left with an added column in order to establish architectural symmetry to the porch.**

VC/Perez seconded.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Fernandez, Perez, Dy, Sam, Wang
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion passed 5-0.

DICUSSION/TRANSACTION:

None Scheduled.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

- VC/Perez and ACM/Weiner reminded the Commission to attend the Walnut Family Festival on October 9th and to visit the Community Development booth.
- The Commission and Staff discussed Senate Bill(s) (SB) 9 and 10 and how it relates to Walnut in terms of setback and lot coverage standards, as well possibly appealing the new Bill(s).

ADJOURNMENT:

This Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m. The next Planning Commission Meeting is set for a regular Meeting on Wednesday, November 3, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., via teleconference. The Agenda will be posted on the City's website and at City related public facilities, including Walnut City Hall (21201 La Puente Road).

Passed and Approved on this 3rd day of November, 2021.



Chairperson, Mark Fernandez



Tom Weiner, Assistant City Manager – Development Services