PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION  
CITY OF TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES, NEW MEXICO  
REGULAR MEETING  

Tuesday, April 02, 2013  

TIME & PLACE: The Planning & Zoning Commission of the City of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, met in Regular Session in full conformity with the law and ordinances of said Commission, at the Commission Chambers of said City on Tuesday, the 2nd day of April, A.D., 2013.  

PRESIDING OFFICER: The meeting was called to order by January Roberts, Chairman. Angela A. Torres acted as Secretary.  

ATTENDANCE: Upon calling the roll the following members were reported present: January Roberts, Chairman  
James Jacobs, 2nd Vice Chairman  
John Saridan, Member  

Absent:  
Joey Perry, Vice Chairman  

Also Present:  
Juan Fuentes, City Manager  
Bill Slettom, Community Development Director  
Robbie Travis, Building Inspector  
Angela A. Torres, Deputy City Clerk  

QUORUM: There being a quorum present the Commission proceeded with the business at hand.  

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: January Roberts, Chairman called for approval of the Agenda.  

“John Saridan moved approval of the Agenda as submitted.”  

Seconded by James Jacobs  
Motion carried unanimously.  

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January Roberts, Chairman, called for review and approval of minutes of the Regular meeting held Tuesday, February 5, 2013.  

January Roberts, Chairman, noted a few errors on the minutes of Tuesday, February 5, 2013. The first error was on page 2, second paragraph; the word “Tier2” should be “Tier 2”. The second error was on page 3, third paragraph, starting with Bill Slettom, Community Development Director stated, In Las Cruces... “In” should be “in”. The third error was also on page 3, under paragraph eight, where it reads “13
of were sign permits”. The “of” needs to be removed from the sentence. The Fourth error was on page 6; seventh paragraph where it reads “Juan Fuentes, City Manager stated, what other communities would do, is when they got into an action item on the agenda.” “Got” needs to be changed to “go”, and the last error was on page 7, third paragraph, starting with “Jimmy Butler stated he Ms. Roberts’ proposal,” “liked” should be added after “he”.

“John Saridan moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting held Tuesday, February 5, 2013 with the corrections found by Chairman January Roberts.”

Seconded by James Jacobs
Motion carried unanimously.

Yarrow Mackenzie Dankert (owner of Little Sprout) asked for approval to partition off 124 square ft. of her building, to add a residential area in the back portion of her shop.

Bill Slettom, Community Development Director, explained to Ms. Dankert the process she would need to follow in order to bring her request before the Planning & Zoning Commission.

January Roberts, Chairman, stated she would like to schedule a Workshop on Tuesday, April 30, 2013 to discuss the Sign Ordinance.

Juan Fuentes, City Manager, proposed that the Planning & Zoning Commission first address what they believe are issues in the current Sign Ordinance, and then they can go from there.

John Saridan agreed that the Planning & Zoning Commission should have a Workshop to discuss which direction they would like to go with the Sign Ordinance.

James Jacobs suggested that they pick out a building from the community, and use it as an example for possible sign issues.

Juan Fuentes, City Manager, suggested that they first hold a Workshop, to discuss the Sign Ordinance, and then they can go from there.

City staff, and the Planning & Zoning Commission agreed on having a Workshop on Tuesday, April 30, 2013 to discuss the Sign Ordinance.

The Planning & Zoning Commission had brief discussion on how they would like to proceed with the Sign Ordinance process.
NEW BUSINESS — RESIGNATION
JIMMY BUTLER:
The Planning & Zoning Commission accepted Mr. Butler's letter of resignation.

January Roberts, Chairman, asked that a "Thank You" letter to be sent to Mr. Butler.

NEW BUSINESS — VARIANCE APPLICATION — LOS ARCONS STEAK HOUSE:
Los Arcos Steak House — Variance Application to reinstall damaged billboard that is 1.3 miles from I-25, Exit 75 off ramp.

Bill Slettom, Community Development Director, reviewed the Variance Application with the P & Z Commission, stating that the application has been filled out completely, all filing fees have been paid, a list of adjacent property owners has been provided to the City, and a letter from the owner explaining the sign, and the business is included in the packet.

Bill Slettom, Community Development Director, noted that a Public Hearing is required for a Variance Application, and Mr. Middleton's application did not meet the 15 day Public Hearing publication deadline. Therefore Mr. Middleton's application will be re-submitted for approval, at next month's meeting.

"James Jacobs moved that City Staff proceed with the Variance Application for Los Arcos Steak House."

Seconded by John Saridan
Motion carried unanimously.

Bobby Middleton discussed with the P & Z Commission various reasons why he would like to proceed with his Variance Application.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Commission, January Roberts, Chairman, called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

"James Jacobs moved to adjourn the meeting."

Seconded by John Saridan
Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL: PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of June, 2013, on motion duly made by ____________________, and seconded by ____________________, and carried.

[Signature]
January Roberts, Chairman