

**ACTION MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2015  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 215 EAST BRANCH STREET  
ARROYO GRANDE, CALIFORNIA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chair Keen called the Regular Planning Commission meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Planning Commission: Commissioners John Keen, Glenn Martin, Terry Fowler-Payne and John Mack were present. Commissioner Lan George was absent.

Staff Present: Community Development Director Teresa McClish, Associate Planner Matt Downing, and Secretary Debbie Weichinger were present.

**3. FLAG SALUTE**

Vice-Chair Keen led the flag salute.

**4. AGENDA REVIEW**

None

**5. COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS**

None

**6. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

**7.a. Consideration of Approval of Minutes.**

**Recommended Action:** Approve the minutes of the Regular Planning Commission Meetings of June 16, 2015, September 1, 2015 and September 15, 2015, as submitted

**Action:** It was the consensus of the Commission to continue the minutes of September 15, 2015, due to lack of a quorum from the September 15, 2015 meeting.

**Action:** Commissioner Mack moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Planning Commission Meeting of June 16, 2015, as submitted. Commissioner Keen seconded, and the motion passed on the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Mack, Keen, Fowler-Payne, Martin  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** George

**Action:** Commissioner Mack moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Planning Commission Meeting of September 1, 2015, as submitted. Commissioner Keen seconded, and the motion passed on the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Mack, Keen, Fowler-Payne, Martin  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** George

**8. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**8.a. CONSIDERATION OF VARIANCE NO. 15-002; CONSTRUCTION OF A SIX FOOT (6') FENCE ON AN EXISTING EIGHT FOOT (8') RETAINING WALL; LOCATION – 221 EAST BRANCH STREET; APPLICANT – JAMES MURPHY; REPRESENTATIVE – SANDY ARNOLD**

Associate Planner Downing presented the staff report and recommended that the Planning Commission adopt a resolution approving Variance No. 15-002.

Associate Planner Downing responded to questions from the Commission.

Vice-Chair Keen opened the public hearing.

Sandy Arnold, Whiteley Street, representative, responded to questions from the Commission on the proposed project.

Patty Welsh, spoke in support of the proposed fence.

Hearing no further comments, Vice-Chair Keen closed the public hearing.

Action: Commissioner Martin moved to adopt a resolution entitled “**A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE APPROVING VARIANCE CASE NO. 15-002; LOCATED AT 221 EAST BRANCH STREET; APPLIED FOR BY JAMES MURPHY**”, as modified in Condition of Approval No. 7. The fence shall be up to six feet (6') in height at the shortest end of each fence section, as measured from the flower bed on the applicant's side, in areas where the existing retaining wall steps down and be allowed to maintain a level height.” Commissioner Mack seconded and the motion passed on the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Martin, Mack, Fowler-Payne, Keen  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** George

**9. NON-PUBLIC HEARING ITEM**

None

**10. NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS SINCE SEPTEMBER 15, 2015**

This is a notice of administrative decision for Minor Use Permits, including any approvals, denials or referrals by the Community Development Director. An administrative decision must be appealed or called up for review by the Planning Commission by a majority vote.

<b>Case No.</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Planner</b>
VSR 15-003 & MEX 15-001	Randy Russom	756 Myrtle Street	New second residential dwelling above a garage with reduced street side yard setback	A	M. Downing
TUP 15-018	South County Historical Society	128 Bridge Street	Annual Rummage Sale event November 7 from 8am to 2pm and November 8 11am to 1pm	A	S. Anderson

In answer to Commissioner Mack, Associate Planner Downing stated the street side yard setback required a Minor Exception.

**11. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**12. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Community Development Director McClish asked for a volunteer to sit on the East Branch Streetscape Stakeholders Group. Commissioner Fowler-Payne volunteered and Commissioner Martin volunteered as an alternate to sit on the East Branch Street Stakeholders Group.

Community Development Director McClish reported on the Brisco ramp closures and stated comments and concerns can be emailed to [brisco@arroyogrande.org](mailto:brisco@arroyogrande.org).

In answer to Commissioner Mack, Community Development Director McClish gave a brief progress report on the Paulding Wall.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

On motion by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Keen and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned 6:44 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**DEBBIE WEICHINGER  
SECRETARY TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

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**JOHN KEEN, VICE-CHAIR**

(Approved \_\_\_\_\_)