



# Minutes City of Sacramento Planning Commission

## COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Joseph Contreras  
Joseph Yee, AIA  
Michael Notestine, Vice Chair

Darrel Woo, Chair  
Jodi Samuels  
Panama Bartholomy

Michael Mendez, MCP  
Barry Wasserman  
Chris Givens

## CITY STAFF:

Tom Pace, Long Range Planning Manager  
Sabina Gilbert, Senior Deputy City Attorney  
Michelle Matoba – Administrative Analyst

Historic City Hall  
915 I Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor – Hearing Room

September 18, 2008 – 5:30 P.M.

The City Planning Commission was created by the City Council. Its powers and duties include: to develop and maintain the General Plan; to make recommendations to the City Council on amendments to the General Plan and the City's zoning code and on zoning changes; to act upon applications for tentative subdivision maps, special permits and variances; and to make environmental determinations associated with these actions.

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

You are welcomed and encouraged to participate in this meeting. Public comment is taken (3 minutes maximum) on items listed on the agenda when they are called. Public Comment on items not listed on the agenda will be heard at the end of the meeting as noted on the agenda. Comments on controversial items may be limited and large groups are encouraged to select 3-5 speakers to represent the opinion of the group.

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# MINUTES

**September 18, 2008**

*Historic City Hall  
915 I Street – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Hearing Room*

All items listed are heard and acted upon by the Planning Commission unless otherwise noted.

## Call to Order – 5:30 p.m.

## **Roll Call - All Commissioners present** Consent Calendar

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered and acted upon by one motion. Anyone may request that an item be removed for separate consideration.

**None**

## Public Hearings

Public hearings may be reordered by the Chair at the discretion of the Commission. If you challenge the decision of this Commission you may be limited to raising only those issues that are raised in this hearing or in written correspondence received by the Commission prior to the hearing.

**None**

## Staff Reports

Staff reports include oral presentations including those recommending receive and file.

### 1. **Draft 2030 General Plan Mobility Element**

**Location:** Citywide

**Recommendation:** Review and Comment

**Contact:** Robert Cunningham, Assistant Planner, 808-5894; Fedolia “Sparky” Harris, Senior Planner, 808-2996

**Action:** No Public Comment. Reviewed and comments provided.

### 2. **2030 General Plan Land Use and Urban Form**

**Location:** Citywide

**Recommendation:** Review and Comment

**Contact:** Robert Cunningham, Assistant Planner, 808-5894; Jim McDonald, Senior Planner, 808-5723

**Action:** Public Comment was made by C. Wilson. Reviewed and comments provided.

## Public Comments- Matters Not on the Agenda

3. **Public comment was made by M. Tessema that LAFCO will attend the October 16, 2008 meeting to speak on the General Plan items.**
4. **J. McDonald invited the Commissioners to attend the Planning Department’s Planning Academy City Bus Tour on Saturday, September 20, 2008.**

## Questions, Ideas and Announcements of Commission Members

5. **Commissioner Batholomy announced that an analysis and the implications of the settlement City of Stockton's General Plan lawsuit filed by the Sierra Club will be presented at the next Long Range meeting, on October 16, 2008.**
6. **Commissioner Contreras volunteered to fill the vacant position on the Sacramento Heritage Committee. S. Gilbert advised the body the issue will be discussed at the next meeting.**
7. **Commissioner Yee announced the last General Plan Advisory Committee meeting will be on Monday, September 22, 2008.**
8. **Commissioner Yee requested the Commissioners be polled to determine their availability for a special meeting to discuss Urban Design Standards.**
9. **Commissioner Woo questioned the advisability of attending the Point West Plaza Celebration, specifically the applicability of the rules and regulations concerning public meetings and whether financial disclosure would be required. S. Gilbert provided the following insight: Attendance will not constitute a meeting, provided no official business is discussed; the value of anything provided to a Commission member, including a meal, must be disclosed; the propriety of attending is not a legal issue, however, she cautioned the Council members about the perception of the public; and the decision to attend is an individual decision. Commissioner Wasserman added that the developer may bring new projects to the Commission in the future.**
10. **Commissioner Notestine will not attend the next meeting, September 25, 2008.**

Adjournment - 7:13 p.m.