

EQUESTRIAN COMMISSION
MINUTES
June 6, 2006

City Council Conference Room

PRESENT: Chair Sally Feola
Commissioner Debbie Humphreys
Commissioner Misty Reiss
Commissioner Shari Nichols

Assistant City Manager Ken Duran
Associate Planner Marco Espinoza

ABSENT: Vice Chair Darlene McGrady

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Feola called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2006

Commissioner Reiss made a motion to approve the minutes of June 6, 2006 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Humphreys and passed unanimously.

405 W. GLADSTONE –TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP 06-02

Associate Planner Espinosa presented Tentative Parcel Map 06-02 a proposal to split one lot into four lots at 405 W. Gladstone. He reported that all four lots meet the horse keeping standards. He commented that one of the issues is that lots 1 and 2 do not have direct trail access.

Commissioner Humphreys expressed concern for the location of the corrals on lots 1 and 2 on the slope and questioned their usability. She also commented that the degree of slope of the driveway on Gladstone would make it difficult for trailers.

Chair Feola expressed concern for no direct trail access for the lots on Gladstone. She suggested that they need to gain trail access to Chaparral.

The applicant Mark Holidier explained that there would need to be some grading and retaining walls off of Gladstone to get the driveway and create buildable areas. He also added that the grade break between the upper and lower lots was a constraint.

Commissioner Humphreys asked if it was possible to bring a driveway up Cody to the middle lot. The applicant responded that access of Cody would require creating an easement running along the west or the middle of the property. Along the middle are

large oak trees. He also added that another impediment to trail access to Chaparral is the drainage channel.

After further discussion it was the consensus of the Commission that there needs to be direct access from lots 1 and 2 to trails on Chaparral for those lots to be usable horse keeping lots.

ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Duran reported the recent installation of an additional hitching post and watering at Horsethief Canyon Park closer to the gazebo and a picnic table by the old hitching post. He reported that Parks staff is considering changing out the water trough at the Community Arena because of high maintenance. The Commissioners expressed that they like the trough. Commissioner Humphreys suggested using Mosquito Torpedoes to prevent mosquitoes in the trough.

MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE

There were no members of the audience present.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Nichols reported that debris that has been dumped on the trail on Via Verde Ave. just east of Kindercare has created a hump in trail and that the trees need to be trimmed.

Commissioner Humphreys commented the Walnut Creek staging area off of Valley Center is full of trash and is not being maintained by the County. She added that she has reported it to the Park Supervisor.

Chair Feola inquired about the NJD golf course proposal. Mr. Duran responded that the City has not reviewed or taken a position on a proposal.

In response to a question Mr. Duran reported that the housing project at Valley Center is currently in plan check with the City.

Commissioner Humphreys asked about the proposal for team penning at Sycamore Canyon Equestrian Center. Mr. Duran responded that there have been discussions with the Adairs for a team penning arena in the pasture area as a part of their capital improvement program.

Commissioner Humphreys also inquired why Sycamore Canyon is allowed to have 12 x 12 stalls north of the road when the standard in the City is 12 x 24. Mr. Duran responded that he will look into that issue.

ADJOURNMENT

The Commissioners agreed that since the next regular meeting is scheduled for July 4th the meeting should be canceled and if there are pressing items a special meeting can be called.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.