

**PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**June 15, 2023**

**1. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stephen Nordbye at 5:30 PM.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Roll Call:**

Commissioner's present –	Chairperson Stephen Nordbye, Vice Chairperson Wade Elliott Commissioners Sharon Lazorko, Michelle Romano, and Vern Montague
Commissioner's absent -	None
Councilmember present -	Councilmember McDermott
Staff present-	City Planner Scott Friend and City Clerk Jennifer Schmitke

**4. ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

**Citizen Comments - None**

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Chairperson Nordbye shared that Commissioners would like to make a correction in section 7 of the April 20<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. Commissioner Lazorko suggested replacing the statement about the Commission stating their concerns about roundabouts to the Commission discussed roundabouts and asked questions about where they would be useful in the City.

**ACTION:** Vice Chairperson Elliott moved, seconded by Commissioner Lazorko to approve consent calendar with the amendment of wording in section 7. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote, 5-0.

**6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Romano shared a presentation she created on City Streetscapes to help make Orland walkable and safer. Commissioner Romano stated that she had met with many City staff department heads to discuss concerns and how Complete Streets could be integrated into different areas in Orland. Commissioner Romano's key speaking points were about narrowing streets to make them safer, the pros and cons of urban forests, bulb outs and bike lanes.

Commissioners discussed asking the community to help with planting trees or possibly looking into doing an adopt-a-streets program for business or community groups. The Commission spoke about funding options to help with street upgrades.

Commissioners thanked Ms. Romano for researching, illustrating, and sharing City Streetscape design possibilities. City Planner Scott Friend shared that City Staff was appreciative that Commissioner Romano took the time to listen to their concerns and needs relative to the timing of the presentation and distribution of the presentation materials.

## **7. STAFF REPORT**

Mr. Friend shared that at the next Planning Commission meeting in July Vehicle Miles Travelled (VMT) preview, a modified application for a freeway pole sign for Maverik and possibly two new commercial developments will be on the agenda.

Quiet Creek's CEQA document is close to being complete, the Commission will possibly see this item in September for recommendation to City Council.

## **8. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

- Chairperson Nordbye indicated that he had nothing to report.
- Commissioner Romano shared she was saddened to hear about the Phase 2 expansion of the Habitat for Humanity project funding being voted down by City Council.
- Vice Chairperson Elliott shared his concerns in regard to staff's comment that the City had not heard back from Schellinger Brothers on the Penbrook project yet.
- Commissioner Montague indicated that he had nothing to report.
- Commissioner Lazorko stated that she was sad to see the house on Cortina Ct for sale and shared her concern about what would happen to the additional housing options on the parcels next door.

## **9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

## **10. ADJOURNMENT – 6:52 PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Schmitke, City Clerk

Stephen Nordbye, Chairperson