

Town of Mesilla, New Mexico

THE PLANNING, ZONING AND HISTORICAL APPROPRIATENESS COMMISSION
(PZHAC) MONDAY JUNE 17, 2024, REGULAR MEETING AT THE MESILLA TOWN HALL,
2231 AVENIDA DE MESILLA.
HAS BEEN CANCELED AND RESCHEDULED FOR
TUESDAY- JUNE 18, 2024, AT 6:00 PM

ATTENDEES – STAFF

Eddie Salazar – Community Development Coordinator (CDC)
Thomas Maese – Chief Inspector NM CID

ATTENDEES – PUBLIC

Dasa Bausova	Michelle Rasch
Lori Miller	Joel Siegel
Andrea Bryan	Nancy Sharp
Greg Lester	Trina Witter
Susan Krueger	

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Madam Chair Lucero led us in the pledge of allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Madam Chair Lucero – present
Vice-Chair Salas - absent
Commissioner Gallegos – present
Commissioner Walkinshaw – Present
Commissioner #5 – vacant

3. CHANGES / APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1st motion to approve by Commissioner Gallegos
2nd motion to approve by Commissioner Walkinshaw

No discussion

Vote: Approved 3-0.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

The public is invited to address the commission regarding items listed on the agenda as allowed by the chair. You can also email your comments to clerktreasurer@mesillanm.gov at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting.

Susan Krueger

1.10.030 the Board of Trustees may adopt ordinances consistent with laws of NM. Concerned agenda number 7(a), municipality having jurisdiction in preservation of historic landmarks above a state agency.

Dasa Bausova

Public announcement, regarding wildfires in Ruidoso. Domestic violence had to evacuate. Provided help centers to participate in supporting Ruidoso.

Trina Witter

Donations are being accepted at NMSU for Ruidoso support, Fill up the Van. Up until 24th of June.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

**Note: Items on the Consent Agenda, indicated by an asterisk (*), will be voted on with one motion unless a commissioner requests that a specific item be removed for discussion.*

- a. PZHAC MINUTES: *MAY 11, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes not approved due to not having a majority vote. Postponed until a majority vote is available.

6. ACTION AND CONSIDERATION

- a. **PZHAC CASE #061841** – 2240 Calle Segunda, submitted by Town of Mesilla. Requesting approval to install shade structure at the park. ZONE: Historical Residential (HR).

1st motion to approve by Commissioner Walkinshaw

2nd motion to approve by Commissioner Gallegos

Vote: Approved 3-0.

- b. **PZHAC CASE #061842** – 2801 Avenida de Mesilla, submitted by Town of Mesilla. Requesting approval to install shade structure at the park. ZONE: Historical Residential (HR).

1st motion to approve by Commissioner Walkinshaw

2nd motion to approve by Commissioner Gallegos

Vote: Approved 3-0.

- c. **PZHAC CASE #061844** – 2800 Stanford St, submitted by Leopoldo A Quintana, requesting approval to build a primary residence and a metal building on his property. ZONE: Rural Farm (RF).

1st motion to approve by Commissioner Gallegos

2nd motion to approve by Commissioner Walkinshaw

Vote: Approved with the condition it meets all CID permit requirements 3-0.

7. DISCUSSION

a. Mesilla Town Code; Historic Preservation 18.33.030 Authority.

The designation of the town's historic zones is made pursuant to the Historic Districts and Landmarks Act, Section 3-22-1 through 3-22-5 NMSA 1978. [Ord. 2011-03; Ord. 2008-02 § 1].

Propose to adopt the entirety of the section 3-22-1 through 3-22-6. Allows municipalities to have jurisdiction over state agencies in efforts to preserve our historic zones.

CDC Salazar

Proposed to adopt section number 6 from the NM Landmark Act. Currently Town of Mesilla has adopted the statute but only section 3-22-1 through 3-22-5. Full adoption of the statute will be 3-22-1 through 3-22.6. Including this section is important because it state agencies to work jointly municipalities before any work on state buildings.

Like to present a draft of proposed amendment to our code in our next meeting for review and vote.

Commissioner Walkinshaw

Commented only for state buildings and feels it will help build better relationships with state agencies. Make sure we are on the same page.

Madam Chair Lucero

Asked if CDC Salazar was the one that stopped the construction at the future Taylor Museum location. Town of Mesilla was not informed of any part of that project what-so-ever. Only after being stopped did Cultural Affairs contact the town and worked together to get this going.

Excited in preservation of our historic buildings. Very much for preserving our buildings.

Pat Taylor

Mention we have a state historic registry, a national historic registry, and a national historic landmark registry. The plaza is the landmark and the buildings around it are in the historic registry. Not a lot of national historic landmarks and emphasizes the importance.

Commissioner Walkinshaw

Asked if the work performed on the historic site buildings, have to meet Secretary of Interior standards.

Pat Taylor

A survey needs to be done to determine the significance of our buildings.

CDC Salazar

Working on Certified Local Government (CLG) certification that will assist us in preserving our historic buildings. Have asked recently for commissioners to submit a resume of experience in preservation of historic buildings. It is one of the requirements that need to be met in order to acquire the certification.

Software coming soon called MY CIVIC that will help in preserving our historic buildings by closing the gap between PZHAC approved permits and codes. Will help with monitoring these permits and assure they are being adhered to as approved.

8. COMMISSIONERS / STAFF COMMENTS

CDC Salazar

Again reminded commission about CLG certification. Commissioners to submit resumes to move forward on this application.

Vacant position in PZHAC commission. Have some applicants and will be determined soon by mayor with the recommendation of the BOT.

Fountain Theater has requested consideration of a loading and off-loading zone reserved area at 2469 Calle de Guadalupe. The zone will be for the purpose of allowing patrons with disabilities to be able to be dropped off at the front door. Approximately 20 ft section for a couple of hours, approximately 530pm – 730pm.

Michelle Rasch

Also requested loading zone from the hours of 1230 to 230 due to having a midday matinee. When demographics were studied, many of our patrons are above age. Also, have in the past entertained a few groups that are also above age and have been a positive impact for the theater but no longer are going due to the same issue with the loading and unloading of their equipment. Some sort of signage that says no parking between those hours.

Madam Chair Lucero

New members on the board. Called for a workshop with all the commissioners. Purpose for all be on the same page. Also, BOT should also be part of training workshops so they also are familiar with our codes when a recommendation is given by PZHAC and take consideration that a lot of work and effort has been done that goes along with that recommendation.

Zoom meetings should not be used often. Last zoom meeting that was held, struggled to hear when she participated remotely. If we have a full commission, finds no reason to have it on Zoom.

Welcomed Commissioner Walkinshaw back to the commission.

Asked again about administrative approvals be put on the agenda. Mesilla code states they need to be listed. The resolution that needs to be adopted by the BOT is already in place as an ordinance that needs to be adhered to.

9. ADJOURNMENT

1st motion to approve by Commissioner Gallegos


2nd motion to approve by Commissioner Walkinshaw

Vote: Approved 3-0

NOTICE

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Posted on 6/14/2024 at the following locations: Town Hall - 2231 Avenida de Mesilla; Public Safety Building - 2670 Calle de Parian; Mesilla Community Center - 2251 Calle de Santiago; Shorty's Food Mart - 2290 Avenida de Mesilla; and the U.S. Post Office - 2253 Calle de Parian.



Yolanda Lucero
Chairperson

ATTEST:



Gloria Maya
Town Clerk/Treasurer



