



Planning & Inspections

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Oscar Leeser

CITY REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2022

10:00 A.M.

VIRTUAL THROUGH MICROSOFT TEAMS

CITY COUNCIL

District 1

Peter Svarzbein

Notice is hereby given that the City Review Committee virtual meeting will be conducted on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 10:00 AM.

District 2

Alexsandra Anello

In compliance with the requirement that the City provide two-way communication for members of the public, members of the public may communicate with the City Review Committee during public comment, and regarding agenda items by calling the following number: **1-915-213-4096**

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Cassandra Hernandez

District 4

Joe Molinar

At the prompt please enter the following Conference ID: **885 071 944#**

District 5

Isabel Salcido

**A quorum of the Committee must participate in the meeting.
Recording of the meeting will begin prior to roll call**

District 6

Claudia L. Rodriguez

The following members of the City Review Committee will be present via video conference:

District 7

Henry Rivera

Luis Zamora, Secretary of City Review Committee, Planning & Inspections

District 8

Cissy Lizarraga

David Samaniego, Planner, Planning & Inspections

Fredo Alejandro, Building Plans Examiner, Planning & Inspections

Other City Staff present:

Nina Rodriguez, Planner, Planning & Inspections

CITY MANAGER

Tommy Gonzalez

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am.

Applicant:

Camila Rodriguez

Call to the Public (items not posted on the Agenda)

No speakers.

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Discussion and Action:

1. **PLRG22-00003:** Lots 8, 9, and a portion of 10 and 7, Block 75, Alexander, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas

Location: 310 Rim Road
 Zone: R-4/NCO (Residential/Neighborhood Conservancy Overlay)
 Request: Installation of solar panels on roof of property

Recommended Action:

Recommend Approval. The recommendation is based on compliance with the relevant Rim-University Neighborhood Plan Design Standards, as described in the analysis of this report.

Application Description:

The applicant is proposing the installation of 18 black solar panels mounted on the roof of the property and 1 white inverter on the south side of the structure.

Analysis

The Rim-University Neighborhood Plan includes design standards that are mandatory requirements that must be met by persons who are proposing new construction, reconstruction, or renovation of the exterior of existing buildings. These design standards are considered in the context of surrounding properties, and with an emphasis on promoting visual harmony and maintaining the unique character of the Neighborhood. The following Rim-University Neighborhood Plan Design Standards (Residential Uses) apply:

3. Roofs

- a) Mechanical equipment and utility hardware on new construction shall be screen from public view.

The proposed solar panels will sit about 6 inches above the roof, flushed at a 5% angle or less.

- b) The following roof forms may not be used on new construction: Mansard, Gambrel and Dome.

This is not new construction. The roof form will remain unchanged.

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7. Paint and Color

a) Metallic and fluorescent colors are not permitted.

The proposed solar panels are black and the inverter is white.

Nina Rodriguez, Planning and Inspections, started a presentation for item 1, PLRG22-00003.

Luis Zamora requested the presentation to be paused due to applicant not being present. Requested staff to contact applicant.

MOTION:

Motion made by Mr. Zamora, seconded by Mr. Samaniego AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO SEND ITEM 1 TO THE END OF THE AGENDA.

(Voice vote, all Ayes) (Motion passed 3-0) (10:14 am)

After the approval of the minutes, Nina Rodriguez made a presentation for item 1. Staff recommends approval.

Luis Zamora asked if there were any questions for staff. No response.

Luis Zamora asked if the applicant was present.

Camila Rodriguez, applicant, was present.

Luis Zamora asked questions to applicant regarding the location of the solar panels. Applicant responded solar panels are existing and the customer requested the configuration.

The committee discussed the building permit process for solar panels.

MOTION:

Motion made by Mr. Samaniego, seconded by Mr. Alejandre AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO APPROVE. (Voice vote, all Ayes) (Motion passed 3-0)

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2. Discussion and Action: Review and approval of the Minutes for the March 9, 2022 meeting.

MOTION:

Motion made by Mr. Samaniego, seconded by Mr. Alejandro AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO APPROVE. (Voice vote, all Ayes) (Motion passed 3-0)

3. Adjournment

MOTION:

Motion made by Mr. Samaniego, seconded by Mr. Zamora AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO ADJOURN AT 10:29 A.M. (Voice vote, all Ayes) (Motion passed 3-0)

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