

**CITY OF LAKEWOOD
PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION
MEETING OF DECEMBER 5, 2019
MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the Lakewood Planning and Environment Commission was called to order by Chairperson Samaniego at 7:00 p.m. in the Lakewood City Council Chambers, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Samaniego led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Chairperson Samaniego
Vice Chairperson Quarto
Commissioner Manis
Commissioner McKinnon
Commissioner Stuckey

Also present: J. Patrick McGuckian, Assistant Director
Paul Kuykendall, Senior Planner
Ivy Tsai, City Attorney
Helene Knight, Administrative Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There being no objections, Chairperson Samaniego ordered the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 7, 2019 approved as submitted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATION

Assistant Director McGuckian announced that Lakewood residents are cordially invited to join in the City's 6th annual Tree Lighting Ceremony and community gathering on Friday, December 6 outside The Centre at 5000 Clark Avenue, next to City Hall. The fun begins at 4:30 p.m. when Santa starts seeing children, and food trucks and free carnival games open. The official tree lighting program starts at 6:30 p.m. Festivities wrap up at 8:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 993, REQUESTING APPROVAL OF INDOOR COMMERCIAL RECREATION ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3460 CHERRY AVENUE (Andrew Garcia/Lanae Kentiner, representing D1 Fitness)

Senior Planner Paul Kuykendall delivered the oral report summarizing the written report and slide presentation all as contained in the file for Conditional Use Permit No. 993.

Chairperson Samaniego asked if there were any intentions for construction or if the building would stay as is.

Senior Planner Kuykendall responded that the building would primarily remain as is, but the applicant could have to make some modifications to the inside of the building pursuant to whatever building code requirements apply and some minor modifications to the exterior depending on the Development Review Board conditions. Mr. Kuykendall added that, since the applicant was granted a short-term lease, there is no expectation to see significant changes to the building.

There being no further questions of staff, Chairperson Samaniego opened the public hearing, asking anyone wishing to be heard on the matter to come forward, with the applicant to speak first.

Andrew Garcia, 3460 Cherry Avenue, Lakewood, CA, addressed the Commission, identifying himself as the applicant.

Chairperson Samaniego asked Mr. Garcia if he had read the Resolution and was agreeable to the conditions.

Mr. Garcia responded affirmatively.

Chairperson Samaniego asked the applicant if he wanted to add anything to the planner's oral report.

Mr. Garcia explained that his intent was not only to encourage healthy life styles for young individuals. In addition, he loves Lakewood and that is why he is working here. He and his partner want to do something different to add to the value of the city, e.g. enable young people to train, grow and develop as athletes or just as individuals, and enable fire fighters and police officers to offer free memberships.

Commissioner Manis referenced the statement in the report that this business might be open 24 hours a day at some point in the future, and asked if that would be done with supervision or a code that allows someone to enter to work out while nobody is present.

Mr. Garcia replied that a trainer could have access 24 hours per day with a personal key-in code. A trainer could use a log-in key or through GymMaster software, a key-in code can be added to the trainer's phone giving the trainer 24-hour accessibility.

Commissioner Stuckey asked if there would be an employee present at all times when the business is open 24 hours per day.

Mr. Garcia responded that if there would be more than one trainer and one athlete, someone would have to be there.

Commissioner Manis asked Senior Planner Kuykendall if that is one of the conditions in the Resolution.

Senior Planner Kuykendall responded affirmatively, explaining that an adult employee at least 18 years of age must be on the premises whenever the business is open.

There being no one else wishing to be heard on the matter, Chairperson Samaniego closed the public hearing.

Commissioner McKinnon moved and Commissioner Stuckey seconded that RESOLUTION NO. 13-2019, A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 993 be approved as submitted.

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: McKinnon, Stuckey, Manis, Quarto, Samaniego
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: None
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: None
ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS: None

REPORTS:

- **Development Review Board** reports for November 2019 were received and filed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.



Secretary