

**Excerpt from the Lompoc Planning Commission Meeting  
of April 14, 2010**

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**2. TA 10-02 – TEXT AMENDMENT**

Consideration of a Text Amendment to the City's Zoning Ordinance to amend Chapter 17.148 – Application of Environmental Guidelines to Zoning Matters and a recommendation to the Council for adoption of amended Environmental Review Guidelines. The proposed Text Amendment will amend the Zoning Ordinance and Environmental Review Guidelines to be consistent with requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). If adopted, the Ordinance will be effective Citywide. A Negative Declaration has been prepared for this project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Planning Manager Lucille Breese summarized the written staff report; provided a historic background of EIR guidelines and statutes; noted that the proposed change will allow staff to move projects forward quicker; and stated that the change would be a convenience to the applicants and save time and money. Ms. Breese indicated that the Planning Commission would still review, impose conditions, and receive public input on proposed Conditional Use Permit projects.

**PUBLIC HEARING OPEN**

Public Hearing opened at 6:44 p.m.

Public Hearing closed at 6:45 p.m.

Morris Sobhani, Lompoc businessman – commended City staff; noted that the text amendment will be helpful to applicants; and urged the Planning Commission to recommend approval.

**PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED**

Commissioner Hain indicated that since this Text Amendment will reduce costs and streamline the process, he fully supported the request. Commissioner Rodenhi concurred.

It was moved by Commissioner Hain and seconded by Commissioner Griffith that the Planning Commission recommend that the City Council adopt the Negative Declaration and direct staff to file a Notice of Determination; adopt the draft Ordinance approving the proposed change to the Zoning Ordinance language; and adopt the attached revised Environmental Review Guidelines. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote of 3-0-2 with Commissioner Gonzales and Commissioner Free absent.