



# ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL

## Meeting Minutes

September 20, 2016

Altadena Community Center, 730 East Altadena Drive  
Altadena, California 91001

### 1. CALL TO ORDER 7:03 p.m.

- 1.1. Pledge of Allegiance \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember John White.
- 1.2. Roll Call \_\_\_\_\_ Damon L. Hobdy Recording Secretary.
- 1.2.1. (14) Present: John White, Sylvia Vega, Patricia Sutherlen, Gloria Sanyika, Anne Chomyn, Brent Musson, Diane Marcussen, Judy Matthews, Anne Lansing, Justin Robertson, Nestor De La Torre, Damon L. Hobdy, Okorie Ezieme, Jennifer Lee  
(2) Excused: Dean Cooper, Billy Malone  
(0) Absent/Unexcused:
- 1.3 Approve September 20, 2016, Meeting Agenda\_\_Chair indicates that Item No. 1.3 on the Agenda, be changed to read approve the September 20, 2016, meeting Agenda. Motion by Damon L. Hobdy to approve the Agenda as amended; seconded by Councilmember Anne Lansing; Unanimous.

### 2. OFFICERS' REPORTS

- 2.1 Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Okorie Ezieme thanks Vice Chair Marcussen for presiding over the August 2016, meeting in his absence. Councilmember John White has assisted the Council in preparation of name badges for each Councilmember; Motion by Councilmember Chomyn to permit the costs for the badges be paid for out of the Town Council budget; seconded by Councilmember Judy Matthews; discussion held; unanimous.
- 2.2 Vice Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Diane Marcussen reports that the agenda was set by the Executive Committee and if someone has public comment to please fill out a comment card and provide to a Councilmember. The CSD Regional Planning hearing is scheduled for October 26, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., at 320 W. Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012-Room 150. However, Remote Testimony on the issue will take place at Eaton Canyon Nature Center 1750 N. Altadena Drive, Pasadena CA 91107, on the same date and at the same time.
- 2.3 Recording Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ Damon L. Hobdy.
  - 2.3.1 Approve July 19, 2016, Meeting Minutes as Amended with corrections suggested by Councilmember Anne Chomyn. Motion by Vice Chair Diane Marcussen; seconded by Councilmember Patricia Sutherlen; Unanimous with exception that Councilmember Hobdy abstains.
  - 2.3.2 Approve the August 16, 2016 Meeting Minutes as Amended with corrections suggested by Councilmember Justin Robertson. Motion by Chair Diane Marcussen; seconded by Councilmember Patricia Sutherlen. Unanimous with exception that Councilmembers Hobdy and Chair Ezieme abstain.
- 2.4 Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ Patricia Sutherlen reports concerning the current balance in the ATC account as of August 2016. Since the ATC runs strictly on donations, the community is encouraged to contribute.
- 2.5 Corresponding Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ Billy Malone no report.





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### 3. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

- 3.1 California Highway Patrol Officer Cooper \_\_\_\_ Officer Mike Ulloa.
- 3.2 Altadena Sheriff's Station \_\_\_\_ Captain Stuckey.
- 3.2.1 Altadena Sheriff's Station \_\_\_\_ Lt. Clay provides the crime report for August 2016.
- 3.3 CERT \_\_\_\_ no report.
- 3.4 County Fire \_\_\_\_ Stephanie English - LA County Fire Department Public Information Officer/Liaison to Assistant Chief. Ms. English encourages the public to get on Nixel with respect to receiving up to date information about the Fire Department. The public can log on at LA County Fire Department Verdugo and Foothill Communities.

### 4. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

- 4.1 Reading Partners \_\_\_\_ Chloe Oliveras (Community Engagement Manager for Reading Partners Los Angeles) was introduced by Councilmember Sanyika. Ms. Oliveras spoke about increasing the reading capability of our youth and the opportunity for community members to volunteer.

### 5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 5.1 Land Use Committee \_\_\_\_ Diane Marcussen reports concerning the Land Use Committee meeting which was held in September 2016. There was a vote by the Land Use Committee to recommend approval to ATC of the CUP by the ALDI Corporation for the sale of beer and wine.
  - 5.1.1 Action item-R2016-001299 Request for beer and wine sales. ALDI Market 2246 N. Lake Avenue-Lee/Lansing. Councilmember Jennifer Lee presented the results of canvassing the area. There were 98 community members who live in the immediate area of ALDI that were polled as to whether they opposed the sale of beer and wine. 90 were in favor of the CUP and 8 were against;
    - 5.1.1.1 Public Comment.

H. Shakur indicates that she is against approval of the CUP for the sale of beer and wine.
    - 5.1.1.2 Motion by Councilmember Jennifer Lee to send a letter to Regional Planning recommending the approval of the CUP with conditions. The conditions are attached as the last page of the minutes. Discussion held; Motion of Councilmember Lee is seconded by Vice Chair Diane Marcussen; Vote: 13 Councilmembers (in favor), 0 Councilmembers (against), 1 (abstention – Councilmember Sanyika). Motion carries.





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5.2 Altadena Filming Committee. \_\_\_\_\_ Anne Chomyn.

### 6. ALTADENA COMMUNITY REPORTS

6.1 Altadena Public Library \_\_\_\_\_ Mindy Kattay (Director of Library).

6.2 LA County Department of Parks & Rec. \_\_ Meliza Hernandez (Dist. Manager – LA County Dept. of Parks and Rec).

6.3 Altadena Chamber of Commerce \_\_\_\_\_ Billy Malone no report.

6.4 Collaborate PASadena \_\_\_\_\_ Gloria Sanyika.

6.5 41<sup>st</sup> Assembly-Local Govern. Advisory Comm-Judy Matthews.

### 7. CENSUS TRACT REPORTS

7.1 4603.01-Judy Matthews/Damon L. Hobdy. Judy Matthews reports.

7.2 4603.02 Gloria Sanyika/Dean Cooper. Gloria Sanyika reports.

### 8. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

### 9. ADJOURNMENT: 8:46 p.m.

Councilmember Marcussen moves/Councilmember Matthews seconded-unanimous.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

DAMON L. HOB DY  
COUNCILMAN 4603.01  
RECORDING SECRETARY





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Mr. Richard Bruckner  
Planning Director  
Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning  
320 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

September 29, 2016

Re: R2016-001299 Request for beer and wine sales  
Location: 2246 N Lake Avenue  
Applicant: ALDI, Inc.

Dear Mr. Bruckner,

The Altadena Town Council (ATC) resolved, at its September 20, 2016 meeting, to recommend the **APPROVAL** of the above mentioned project with conditions.

ATC members visited over 200 homes of surrounding residents to notify them of our hearings and to obtain feedback. They also contacted the schools that are in the immediate area and received no opposition from those organizations. They made personal contact with 90 residents only 8 of which were opposed to the project. We allowed three opportunities for public comment at two Land Use Committee meetings and one Altadena Town Council meeting and had no more than 3 residents over the course of the 3 meetings that made public comment against the project.

This application is for a new ALDI market to sell beer and wine which is expected to open by the end of the year. The company has agreed to locate the beer and wine towards the rear of the store at the request of Regional Planning. As a business with locations nationwide, they have established processes in place for training of employees and monitoring of procedures related to the sales of beer and wine.

In light of the large amount of support and low level of opposition, The Altadena Town Council recommends approval of the application to sell beer and wine at the ALDI market. We understand that the following conditions will be included in Staff's recommendation to the Regional Planning Commission and Altadena supports the implementation of these conditions as a requirement of approval.

- The sales of beer and wine apply only to Aldi's and not to any subtenants or other business establishments
- Beer and wine shall be on shelving designated for wine and beer storage and nowhere else on the premises
- Beer and wine shall not be refrigerated in the store
- There will be no advertising of beer and wine on the exterior of the building or walls or fences

Thank you for your attention to this project.

Sincerely,

Diane Marcussen  
Altadena Town Council

cc: Ms. Sussy Nemer, Senior Deputy to Supervisor Antonovich