



# Altadena Town Council Land Use Committee Minutes

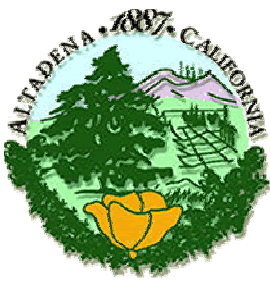
February 7, 2017  
7:00 p.m. Altadena Community Center

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Diane Marcussen**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance: LUC Committee Member**
- 3. Roll Call** – In attendance: Anne Chomyn; John White; Greg Middleton; Billy Malone; Tim Norman; Judy Matthews, Gloria Sanyika; Nestor de la Torre; Brent Musson; Justin Robertson; Pat Sutherlen; Anne Lansing; Jennifer Lee; Diane Marcussen; Sylvia Vega. Absent (unexcused): Dean Cooper
- 4. Approve Meeting Agenda(s)** – Approved unanimously.
- 5. Approve Minutes** – December minutes moved to March 2017 meeting for approval. January 2017 minutes were voted on and approved, but will be re-approved in March if changes are required. Brent Mussen, John White, and Gloria Sanyika abstained from the vote. All others voted for approval.
- 6. Chairman Report** – Diane Marcussen spoke about the SAAFE Ordinance Team. A public hearing is scheduled by the Los Angeles County Regional Planning Commission for Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 9am. Amendment to Title 22 of the Los Angeles County Code is proposed.

Chair Marcussen also spoke about reports of smart cells already being installed throughout Altadena, according to community reports. These mini cell antennas are not being installed by AT&T, but rather by Crown Castle. The Chair has discussed with the Regional Planning the possibility of their partnering with Town Council in regards to future smart cell placement.

- 7. Presentation Only - None**
- 8. Action Items**

**8.1** CUP 2016-001849 - CUP to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages in each tenant space. This CUP is for the Altadena Marketplace, located at 2450 N. Lake Ave. It is a food hall-type business, and requires an individual ABC license for each tenant. Proposed are 6 alcohol licenses for beer, wine, & distilled spirits, and one off-site sales license for a small market. Outreach by ATC included canvassing of neighbors, social media posts, and emails utilizing Councilperson Chomyn's listserv. Representatives described the marketplace. Proposed conditions are hours of operation from 9am-12am, no private parties, and no amplified music. Other suggested conditions include regulating traffic flow to exit to Lake Ave. after 9pm, regulation of the traffic lights to ease traffic flow, and dedicated seating for each tenant serving alcohol. Regional planning will not take this to public hearing until May or June.



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**8.1.1.** Public Comment-Four persons spoke regarding this CUP. Gretchen Seager spoke in favor of the CUP and marketplace concept. Cynthia & David Howard spoke against the CUP due to concerns about traffic, parking. Helen Overstreet spoke about parking concerns.

Councilperson White introduced a motion to postpone consideration until the March 2017 LUC meeting, seconded by Brent Musson. Motion approved unanimously.

**8.2.** Multiple AT&T CUP requests for installation of 47 antennas on public utility poles as part of a distributed antenna system (DAS) to improve reception across all of Altadena. Councilperson Sutherlen reported on public outreach. AT&T gave a brief presentation.

**8.2.1.** Public Comment: Leslie Lowes; Joan Kahn; Louise St. Juste; Nancy Robb; Jim Robb; & Amy Lighthouse spoke against the project. Concerns were about noise, health issues, and placement of a specific pole at Mt. Lowe Parkway. Bill Clay; Elliot Gold; Lorraine Bertonneau; Nancy Rothwell; John Pomroy; and Ryan Patterson spoke in favor. Reasons for support included improved service and 911 access.

Councilperson Sutherlen motioned that ATC recommend approval to Regional Planning with the following conditions:

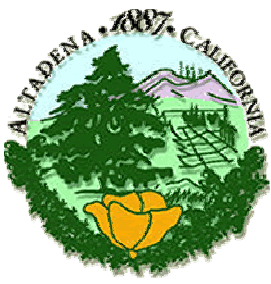
1. All equipment is to be placed on the pole, not on the ground, and painted to match the pole.
2. The project is to meet all FCC limits and guidelines for Radio Frequency Emissions.
3. In locations where a new pole is to be installed, advance notice is to be made to all residents who will be affected due to construction eg. digging of a trench.
4. Proper maintenance is to be performed according to AT&T's regular schedule.
5. Regarding the new pole to be installed on Maiden Lane and Mt. Lowe Drive, the pole is to be located at the edge of the median and as far north as possible.

Motion approved with a vote of 13-1. Councilperson de la Torre voted nay, all others aye.

**8.3.** CUP to sell alcohol at Mota's Mexican Restaurant - 2397 N. Lincoln Ave – Councilperson De La Torre introduced this item, which will allow the sale of beer, wine, and distilled spirits. There will be two applications for ABC license. The first will allow for beer & wine sales, the second will include distilled spirits. Discussion among LUC members about concerns regarding early morning hours.

**8.3.1.** Public Comment: None.

Councilperson de la Torre introduced a motion to recommend that ATC recommend approval to Regional Planning with the following conditions:



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1. The hours of operation and sale of alcohol be between 8 am - 10 pm, daily.
2. The applicants ensure the property will be maintained, secure, and well-lit.
3. Alcoholic beverages will only be sold in conjunction with meals.
4. Alcohol will only be served for on-site consumption and not be allowed to be removed from the premises for any reason.
5. Alcohol will not be sold to those under legal drinking age.
6. The restaurant and employees will continuously monitor alcohol storage areas.
7. Distilled spirits will not be served alone, also known as "shots."
8. Alcoholic beverages containing distilled spirits will only be served in cocktails or similar type of mixed drink.
9. Employees will refuse to sell to patrons that appear to be intoxicated.
10. All employees will be given proper training in these processes and the owners will ensure the compliance of training by all employees.
11. The applicants agree to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and rules imposed or enforced by any government entity.

Motion approved with a vote of 13-1. Councilperson Sanyika abstained, all others voted aye.

**9. General Public Comment:** None.

**10. Reports – Census Tract Representatives** None.

**11. Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn by Councilperson Mussen.