

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE DESIGN COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE  
HELD ON JULY 12, 2012**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Moldafsky called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.
  
- II. **ROLL:** Present were Chair Moldafsky, Commissioners Hoopes, Roberts, Tobias and Vavoulis, Director of Community Development Stanley, Senior Planner Buss, Planner Clarke, Public Works Director Hitti, Traffic Engineer Zandvliet and Facility/Maintenance Supervisor Venegas.
  
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Flag Salute was recited.
  
- IV. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None.
  
- V. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**
  - A. Minutes – June 7, 2012 meeting  
The minutes were approved with changes.
  
- VI. **CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS:**
  - A. **Design Review 05-12 (Amend);** LCF Town Center; 2 Sport Chalet Drive, 895-985 Foothill Blvd., 890-990 Town Center Drive; new landscaping plan for the Town Center.

The Commission discussed the project at length with the applicants and staff from the Public Works and Planning Departments. Issues raised included the following: the type and location of trees along Town Center Drive; the importance of landscaping in the public right-of-way along Foothill Boulevard and Angeles Crest Highway; proposed trees under existing deodar on north side of Town Center Drive; tree types at southwest corner of Sports Chalet Drive and Town Center Drive; fruit-bearing capacity of proposed olive trees; variety of tree/plant types versus consistency in plan.

M/S/C Hoopes/Tobias to approve the request with added Conditions of Approval: a subcommittee comprised of Design Commissioner John Roberts is to meet with the applicants to finalize the plant palette and placement in the public right-of-way along Foothill Boulevard and Angeles Crest Highway; landscaping and the proposed tree for the roundabout at the eastern terminus of Town Center Drive is approved subject to the review and approval by the Fire Department; if the Fire Department does not approve a tree in this location, ground planting shall be used; all olive trees proposed for the project shall be genetically neutered and shall be reviewed and approved prior to installation; applicants have the option to replace the existing trees along Town Center Drive with Chinese Elm or Zelkova

trees with the exception of the existing tree in the public right-of-way at the southwest corner of Town Center Drive and Sports Chalet Drive; the existing tree

shall remain in its current location, or it can be replaced with a new tree located outside the public right-of-way; the applicants may plant two trees underneath the canopy of the existing deodar tree on the north side of Town Center Drive; The Japanese maple trees adjacent to Panera and the driveway to the parking garage shall be removed and replaced with 24" box Chinese Elms or Zelkova street trees. Unanimous 5-0.

**VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**A. Design Review 12-05;** The Habit Burger Grill; 990 Town Center Drive; new signage, awnings, building colors and outdoor dining patio.

The applicant was not in attendance at the meeting. The project was continued to a date uncertain meeting.

M/S/C Vavoulis/Hoopes to continue 5-0.

**VIII. OTHER BUSINESS:**

None.

**IX. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS:**

Commissioner Roberts thanked Senior Planner Buss for his work on Unocal.

**X. COMMENTS FROM STAFF:**

Director Stanley gave an update on sign variance application for the Town Center at the Planning Commission.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 A.M.