

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE DESIGN COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE  
HELD ON MAY 17, 2018**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner King called the meeting to order at 7:37 a.m.
- II. ROLL:** Also present were Commissioners Balcazar and Fuelling. Commissioner Moldafsky and Hoopes were absent.
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Flag Salute was recited.
- IV. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** There were no comments.
- V. CONSENT CALENDAR:**
- A. **Minutes** - 3/1/2018 Design Commission Meeting. M/S/C - Balcazar/Fuelling to approve the minutes. Approved 3-0.

**VI. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- A. **Design Review 17-18;** Shell; 4530 Angeles Crest Hwy.: new monument sign cabinets, pump-island canopy signs, station signs and related trade dress changes.

Planner Gjolme gave a presentation in accordance with the staff memo. He recommended that a condition be added requiring a darker gray color than the color samples that were shown to the Commissioners for the monument sign trellis.

Commissioner Balcazar asked about the car wash entrance and whether the proposed colors and sizing adjustments would also be added to the car wash signage as well. Mr. Gjolme confirmed that it would be added.

Commissioner Fuelling asked about the size of the letters for the Service Center and Food Mart signs. Mr. Gjolme believed that the first letter of each word would be the same within each sign. For example, "S" and "C" are listed as 7 inches and "F" and "M" are listed as 12 inches. As to the copy height of "Car Wash," Mr. Gjolme said he believed that the "C" and "W" are approximately 18 inches.

Commissioner Fuelling asked about the width of the sign band. Mr. Gjolme said it would be the same for the food mart and service center. He said he believed it should be the same for the car wash. Commissioner Fuelling felt the letter size for each sign should be roughly the same, approximately 9" – 10."

Commissioner King asked if it could be seen from the street. Mr. Gjolme said that the car wash was not prominently seen from the street.

Commissioner King asked about the monument sign on Angeles Crest and whether there will be four or five lines of copy and how it will all fit. Mr. Gjolme said that the price windows will be smaller to accommodate the new window.

Commissioner Balcazar asked if the applicant is set on what the corporate office wants for the Service Center and Food Mart signs. Mr. Gjolme said that corporate appears to be adamant that the gray color not be required for the wall signs. He showed the corporate signage color samples to the Commission. He said he believed positive findings could be made.

Commissioner Fuelling recommended that a condition be added that would require the banners and any other temporary signage be removed. Mr. Gjolme said that Code Enforcement would be the one to address any sign code violations.

Commissioner Fuelling said he liked that the gray color for the cabinet was agreed to by the corporate office.

Commissioner Balcazar said she was all right with the fact that the signage would be painted, however, she said that she had problems with the "Service Center" and "Food Mart" signage. She liked the proposed gray color originally suggested by staff. She said that the Union 76 Station located across the street had gray color elements. She also felt that the size of the signage is problematic.

Commissioner King said she was happy with the changes that have been made to the signage. She agreed that the trellis should be darker than the color shown on the plans. She was pleased with the white pricing numbers. She also was in favor of the proposal for the monument sign located on Angeles Crest Highway. She preferred the painting of the fascia and felt it is softer than plastic. She believed that the size of font should all be consistent for the Service Center, Food Mart, and Car Wash signs.

M/S/C – Fuelling/Balcazar to approve the request subject to additional conditions of approval. Approved 3-0.

**VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS:** There were none.

**VIII. OTHER BUSINESS:** There were none.

**IX. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS:**

Commissioner Balcazar asked about neon Open signs like the one at Hill Street Café. Mr. Gjolme said that they are exempt from formal review.

Commissioner Fuelling asked what the process was for signs that fall into disrepair like the sign at Georgee's Pizza. Mr. Gjolme said that Code Enforcement would look into it.

The Commission discussed with staff how the monument sign that contains Kidz Planet and Cocoa Noir is out of compliance.

Commissioner Balcazar confirmed with Mr. Gjolme that she will review color samples for the Kidz Planet sign.

**X. COMMENTS FROM STAFF:**

Mr. Gjolme informed the Commission that there would not be a meeting scheduled for June 7, 2018. Commissioner Fuelling said that he would not be attending the second meeting in June.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT:**

M/S/C – Fuelling/Balcazar to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 a.m. Approved 3-0.