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**SCOTTSDALE PLANNING COMMISSION
KIVA-CITY HALL
3939 DRINKWATER BOULEVARD
SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2009

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Kevin O'Neill, Commissioner (Chair pro tem)
Steven Steinke, Commissioner
Michael D'Andrea, Commissioner
Jeffrey Schwartz, Commissioner
Michael Schmitt, Commissioner

ABSENT: David Barnett, Chairman
Eric Hess, Vice Chairman

STAFF: Connie Padian
David Richert
Joe Padilla
Lusia Galav
Kira Wauwie
Erin Perreault

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Padian called the meeting of the Scottsdale Planning Commission to order at 5:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

A formal roll call was conducted confirming members present as stated above.

Commissioner Steinke nominated Commissioner O'Neill pro tem chairman.
Commissioner Schwartz seconded the nomination. It was the consensus of the
Commission that Commissioner O'Neill serve as chairman pro tem.

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

1. February 11, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes including Study Session.

COMMISSIONER STEINKE MOVED TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 11, 2009 MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION INCLUDING THE STUDY SESSION. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SCHWARTZ, THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0).

EXPEDITED AGENDA

2. 18-UP-2008 Southbeach Restaurant & Lounge

COMMISSIONER STEINKE MOVED TO APPROVE 18-UP-2008, SOUTHBEACH RESTAURANT & LOUNGE, WITH THE UPDATED STIPULATIONS BECAUSE IT MEETS THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CRITERIA. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SCHWARTZ, THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0).

REGULAR AGENDA

3. Discussion and possible initiation of a "major amendment" to modify the major General Plan amendment criteria.

Mr. Richert noted that staff had an internal discussion on ways to approach a major amendment criteria discussion prior to having the General Plan update in process. Staff believes that because the community area plans will be in conformance with the General Plan, the criteria will be adjusted as necessary as they move through the process. If a major amendment is addressed at this time, attention will be diverted from the General Plan community area plans. He requested that the Commission state whether or not they support the approach, with the understanding that they would not expect a General Plan amendment once adopted, prior to the update of the General Plan in 2011. He noted that it is hoped to have the area plans in place within 18 months.

Commissioner Schwartz noted an understanding of the process involved and agreed that including the amendment as part of the General Plan update is the most appropriate approach given the timing.

4. Discussion on Downtown Plan Update Revisions. Ref: 3-GP-2008.

CHAIRMAN O'NEILL: We'll move to discussion item number four, discussion on the Downtown Plan. And Erin has given us a presentation and you're just looking at this point now for us to jump into comments.

And while we do that or before we do that I'll just point out, Erin, I think it was a great presentation; it really seemed you listened. Staff collectively listened incredibly well and in the presentation and the document that's in front of us seems to be very well thought through and a great response to all of the discussion items that had come up before.

I'll open it up for discussion.

MS. GALAV: Correct.

COMMISSIONER STEINKE: Okay. Thanks.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the regular session of the Planning Commission adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
AV-Tronics, Inc