

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 1. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1025, 4700 CANDLEWOOD STREET, REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDOOR COMMERCIAL RECREATION USE – BIG BLUE SWIM SCHOOL (Ertiol Koci).**

Senior Planner, Paul Kuykendall, (Senior Planner Kuykendall) presented the staff report and exhibits which recommended approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 1025, for the establishment of an indoor commercial recreation use. These documents are on file with the Community Development Department. The Development Review Board (DRB) recommended that this project be approved by the Planning and Environment Commission (PEC), along with the proposed Conditions of Approval which are incorporated by reference in the proposed Resolution of Approval. These are on file with the Community Development Department. Notice of Hearing was given pursuant to the Municipal Code and state law. Staff recommends that the Commission hold a public hearing and, following the hearing, move to adopt the attached proposed Resolution approving Conditional Use Permit No. 1025 subject to the findings and conditions contained therein or otherwise by reference and to approve the proposed categorical exemption. This project is categorically exempt under the CEQA Guidelines as amended. Senior Planner Kuykendall asked if there are any questions of staff.

Chairperson Stuckey asked if there are any questions of staff.

Commissioner Baca observed the conditional use permit is for an indoor recreation use, and he asked if we have anything for an indoor pool?

Senior Planner Kuykendall stated indoor pools, where a fee is paid to use them, falls under the classification of indoor commercial recreation.

Commissioner Baca commented that when Disney built the Matterhorn, the City of Anaheim did not have anything coded for a mountain, so they built a half-court basketball court inside, and it is an indoor gymnasium.

Commissioner Garcia-Salas questioned if the locker room is going to be separate for the boys and the girls?

Senior Planner Kuykendall stated he will defer that question to the applicant.

Vice-Chairperson Cole asked if the facility is just for children or also for elder swimmers?

Senior Planner Kuykendall stated the facility is for children.

Chairperson Stuckey opened the public hearing.

Jonathan Lightell (“Mr. Lightell”), Director of Development for Big Blue Swim School, spoke on his excitement for the Lakewood facility and clarified the facility is for children only. He stated the changing rooms are unisex in the main hallway; they offer two bathrooms; the shower facility is separate for boys and girls.

Commissioner Baca asked if that is uniform for their other facilities?

Mr. Lightell stated yes, it is a standard for all of their facilities.

Commissioner Rowland stated he read their Emergency Action Plan, and it is thorough, and he is impressed with the Plan.

Mr. Lightell stated they try to cover everything in the Emergency Action Plan.

Chairperson Stuckey asked of the Applicant, “Have you read, and do you agree with all the proposed conditions of approval?”

Mr. Lightell stated yes.

Chairperson Stuckey asked if there is anything else Mr. Lightell would like to share, and Mr. Lightell stated he is just excited to get this project going and to join Lakewood.

Chairperson Stuckey asked if anyone else would like to speak on this item. There were none.

There being no one else wishing to be heard on the matter, Chairperson Stuckey closed the public hearing and asked the Commission if there was any discussion or a motion.

Commissioner Baca moved and Commissioner Cole seconded approval of staff recommendation to approve Conditional Use Permit No. 1025, 4700 Candlewood Street, and its related categorical exemption.

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: Rowland, Garcia-Salas, Baca, Cole & Stuckey
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: n/a
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: n/a
ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS: n/a

Chairperson Stuckey announced that the Motion has passed.

2. CDBG FY 24-25 ACTION PLAN

Housing Specialist, Carolyn Lehouillier, (Housing Specialist Lehouillier) presented the CDBG FY24-25 Action Plan, the related staff report, and power point presentation, all of which are on file with the Community Development Department.

Staff recommends that the Planning & Environment Commission conduct a public hearing for citizen input for the proposed Action Plan and following the public hearing direct staff to take into consideration all comments received by the public and recommend approval of the proposed Action Plan to the City Council on July 9, 2024. Housing Specialist Lehouillier asked if there are any questions of staff.

Chairperson Stuckey asked if there are any questions of staff. There were none.

Chairperson Stuckey opened the public hearing.

Chairperson Stuckey asked if anyone else would like to speak on this item and, if so, please go to the podium and sign in. There were none.

There being no one else wishing to be heard on the matter, Chairperson Stuckey closed the public hearing and asked the Commission if there was any discussion or a motion.

Commissioner Cole moved and Chairperson Stuckey seconded approval of staff recommendation to forward the CDBG FY 24-25 Action Plan to the City Council to receive and file.

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: Rowland, Garcia-Salas, Baca, Cole & Stuckey
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: n/a
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: n/a
ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS: n/a

Chairperson Stuckey announced that the Motion has passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Resident, Richard Leon, spoke. He resides at 4203 Hackett Avenue, Lakewood, 90713, for 32 years. He wants a carport on his property. He is unable to park his vehicle in the garage. He has difficulty pulling out of the garage as his driveway is narrow, and he could hit his house or the neighbor's block fence. Planning stated he is only allowed a 9-foot driveway. His driveway width is 8 feet. He is disabled—has a permanent disability for peripheral neuropathy and is unable to walk much. He is requesting assistance in this matter.

Director Avalos stated he will have Senior Planner Kuykendall get information from him after the meeting and will look into this more and determine what, if anything, can be done.

REPORTS:

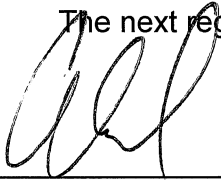
None.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

- Director Avalos stated Sender One, a new rock climbing facility, is scheduled to open next week. Commissioner Garcia-Salas stated he attended the Open House with Councilmember Jeff Wood, and he encourages everyone to visit Sender One.
- Commissioner Baca stated on June 7, around 6:00 or 7:00 a.m., the Torch Run for the Special Olympics will take place.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on July 11, 2024.



Secretary