

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA
January 26, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Mahecha called the Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of La Habra to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: LED BY COMMISSIONER LOGAN-CANNON

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: MAHECHA
RAMSLAND
CARDENAS
LOGAN-CANNON

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: MANLEY

OTHERS PRESENT: DEPUTY DIRECTOR: COLE-CORONA
CITY ATTORNEY: ROBERTO
PLANNING MANAGER: LUI
SECRETARY: LOPEZ
ASSOCIATE PLANNER: WIELENGA

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Mahecha asked if there was anyone in the audience that wished to address the Commission on the consent calendar or any item not listed on the agenda. There were none.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Secretary Lopez explained the Consent Calendar procedures. Chair Mahecha asked if any of the Commissioners wished to remove an item. There were none. She then asked if there was anyone in the audience that wished to remove an item. There were none.

Motion made by Commissioner Cardenas and seconded by Commissioner Logan-Cannon, to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 4-0.

- 1. Approval of the Planning Commission Minutes of December 8, 2025.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Before the first item was introduced, Commissioner Logan-Cannon recused herself, stating that she would be stepping away since the location of the first public hearing item was within 500 feet of her residence.

Chair Mahecha waited for Commissioner Logan-Cannon to leave the room and then introduced the first item.

- 1. DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 25-0015 (CUP25-0015) TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE A COMMERCIAL RECREATION FACILITY (A.K.A. FUNBOX) AT 951 NORTH HARBOR BOULEVARD.

Chair Mahecha asked if any correspondence had been received with regard to the item.

Secretary Lopez said no.

Associate Planner, Jacob Wielenga, presented the staff report.

Chair Mahecha asked if any of the Commissioners had questions for staff.

There were no questions for staff.

Chair Mahecha opened the public hearing and invited the applicant to address the Commission followed by anyone else in the public wishing to speak in favor of the proposed project.

Dana Romano and her husband, Mr. Randhawa, the business owners, addressed the Commission. They thanked the Commission for their consideration and said they are excited to bring a community space to La Habra.

Chair Mahecha asked if there was anyone wishing to speak in opposition of the item. There were none.

Chair Mahecha closed the public hearing and asked for a discussion or a motion.

Moved by Commissioner Cardenas and seconded by Vice Chair Ramsland, approving Resolution No. 26-01 Entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, MAKING THE REQUIRED FINDINGS AND APPROVING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 25-0015 (CUP25-0015) TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE A COMMERCIAL RECREATION FACILITY (A.K.A. FUNBOX) AT 951 NORTH HARBOR BOULEVARD (ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER 017-371-28), AS PER THE APPROVED PLANS AND SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS, AND MAKING THE DETERMINATION THAT THE PROJECT IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO SECTION 15301(a), CLASS 1: "EXISTING FACILITIES" OF THE CEQA GUIDELINES.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: CARDENAS, RAMSLAND, MAHECHA
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: NONE
ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS: LOGAN-CANNON
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: MANLEY

Secretary Lopez said the motion carried and this item will become final in 10 working days unless it's appealed to City Council.

Chair Mahecha asked for Commissioner Logan-Cannon to be brought back into the council chamber.

2. DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 25-0017 (CUP25-0017) TO ESTABLISH AND

OPERATE A RESTAURANT (A.K.A. DREAMLAND ANIME CAFE) AT 1281 EAST LA HABRA BOULEVARD, UNIT #6

Chair Mahecha asked if any correspondence had been received with regard to the item.

Secretary Lopez said no.

Associate Planner, Jacob Wielenga, presented the staff report.

Chair Mahecha asked if any of the Commissioners had questions for staff.

Vice Chair Ramsland questioned when the property owner and/or applicant would be expected to fulfill the requirements under Standard Condition 1.10 regarding building repainting and Standard Condition 1.11. There was a discussion to modify these conditions to make it clear that Standard Condition 1.10 requires maintenance of the building by having it repainted every eight (8) years at a minimum starting from the date of the project approval. Furthermore, Standard Condition 1.11 requires pavement resurfacing every five (5) years at a minimum starting from the date of the project approval.

City attorney Roberto said that the Commission may request these conditions be amended to specify, that the timing for fulfilling these conditions begins from the date of the planning approval, as part of the motion when they were ready to make a motion.

Chair Mahecha opened the public hearing and invited the applicant to address the Commission followed by anyone else in the public wishing to speak in favor of the proposed project.

Marina Meyers, the business owner, addressed the Commission. Ms. Meyers thanked the Commission for their consideration and said this would be her flagship store and looked forward to grow in the City.

Chair Mahecha asked if there was anyone wishing to speak in opposition of the item. There were none.

Chair Mahecha closed the public hearing and asked for a discussion or a motion.

Moved by Chair Mahecha and seconded by Commissioner Logan-Cannon, approving Resolution No. 26-02 with amendments to Standard Conditions 1.10 and 1.11 and entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, MAKING THE REQUIRED FINDINGS AND APPROVING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 25-0017 (CUP25-0017) TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE A RESTAURANT (A.K.A. DREAMLAND ANIME CAFE) AT 1281 EAST LA HABRA BOULEVARD, UNIT #6 (ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER 303-011-04), AS PER THE APPROVED PLANS AND SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS, AND MAKING THE DETERMINATION THAT THE PROJECT IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO SECTION 15301, CLASS 1: "EXISTING FACILITIES" OF THE CEQA GUIDELINES.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: MAHECHA, LOGAN-CANNON, RAMSLAND,
CARDENAS
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: NONE
ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS: NONE
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: MANLEY

Secretary Lopez said the motion carried and this item will become final in 10 working days unless it's appealed to City Council.

COMMENTS FROM STAFF

Planning Manager, Sonya Lui, wished Commissioner Logan-Cannon a happy birthday. Planning Manager Lui also thanked those Commissioners who signed up for some upcoming training opportunities.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

There were no comments from Commissioners.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:52 p.m. to the Planning Commission meeting on February 9, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica Lopez,
Secretary