



**Minutes  
Development Review Commission  
STUDY SESSION  
July 27, 2021**

**Minutes of the study session of the Development Review Commission, of the City of Tempe, was held in Council Chambers  
31 East Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona**

**Present:**

Vice Chair Michael DiDomenico  
Commissioner Steven Bauer  
Commissioner Scott Summers  
Commissioner Don Cassano  
Commissioner Philip Amorosi  
Commissioner Michelle Schwartz  
Commissioner Barbara Lloyd

**City Staff Present:**

Ryan Levesque, Deputy Director, Community Development  
Suparna Dasgupta, Principal Planner  
Steve Abrahamson, Principal Planner  
Diana Kaminski, Senior Planner  
Lee Jimenez, Senior Planner  
Karen Stovall, Senior Planner  
Obenia Kingsby, Planner II  
Joanna Barry, Administrative Assistant II

**Absent:**

Alt Commissioner Linda Spears  
Alt Commissioner Rhiannon Corbett

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**Vice Chair DiDomenico began the Study Session at 5:19 p.m.**

Ms. Suparna Dasgupta, Principal Planner, introduced new Alternate Commissioner Rhiannon Corbett introduced herself to the Commission. Ms. Dasgupta then recognized Commissioners Schwartz and Lloyd as becoming regular Commission members instead of alternates.

**Discussion of nomination of Chair and Vice Chair**

Item #1 – The Commission members discussed the nomination of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson

**Review of June 8, 2021 Minutes**

Item #2 - Study Session Minutes – 06/08/21  
Item #3 - Regular Meeting Minutes – 06/08/21

**Review of July 27, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda**

Item #4 – 250 RIO (PL210130) – to be heard  
Item #5 – BEST WESTERN TEMPE (PL200194) – on consent  
Item #6 – REEF KITCHENS (PL210124) – to be heard  
Item #7 – FINAL ROUND SPORTS BAR & GRILL (PL210148) – on consent  
Item #8 – TEMPE EATS (PL210162) – on consent  
Item #9 – GRAVITATE SMOKE SHOP (PL210163) – on consent  
Item #10 – SCOMA RESIDENCE (PL210186) – on consent  
Item #11 – THE NEUROMUSCULAR STUDIO, LLC (PL210191) – on consent  
Item #12 – KASITA (PL210122) – on consent

**PRESENTATION:** Code Text Amendment to the Zoning and Development Code consisting of corrections and clarifications

Ms. Dasgupta went over the contents of the corrections and clarifications and how this phase is the “clean up” phase. Later, there would be additions, definitions, and newer items added, and possibly including the second story Use Permit discussion.

**Announcements:**

Ms. Dasgupta gave an overview of items on the August 10, 2021 DRC agenda. This will be both a hybrid and an in-person hearing.

Ms. Dasgupta also advised the Commission that Commissioner Schwartz would like to have a presentation during one of the upcoming Study Sessions on the adaptive reuse process as a refresher for everyone.

Mr. Ryan Levesque, Deputy Director – Community Development, advised the Commission about an upcoming meeting that will be taking place with the City Manager and City Council regarding the future status of in-person hearings and guidelines for meetings held in the Council Chambers.

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**The Study Session adjourned at 5:43 p.m.**

Prepared by: Joanna Barry, Administrative Assistant II

Reviewed by: Suparna Dasgupta, Principal Planner

