

CITY OF CRESCENT CITY
PLANNING COMMISSION & ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE

Commission Members: Ray Walp, Chairperson * Kristine DeCossio, Vice-Chair
Shawna Hyatt * Debra Perius * Paul Martinez



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MINUTES - REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Thursday, July 9, 2026, at 5:30 P.M.

Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP), 210 Battery Street, Crescent City, CA 95531

PART I – CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Chair Walp called the meeting to order 5:33pm.

Commissioners present: Chairman Ray Walp, Vice Chair Kristine DeCossio ,
Commissioner Shawna Hyatt, Commissioner Debra Perius, Commissioner Paul
Martinez

Staff present: City Manager Eric Wier, Public Works Director Dave Yeager, Contract
Planner Ethan Lawton, and Community Development Specialist Heather Welton.

PART II - PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The following residents addressed the commission:

Doug Dye, County resident- He provided a written public comment transcript to staff and the Commission. He said the transcript is the same thing he spoke about at Council and there will be an op-ed in the Triplicate. He also wanted to say that at the last meeting Sam Schauerman took public comment personally and he said these are the comments are not personal and he is not here to make personal attacks, just discussing procedure.

Cate Classen, City resident- Said she would like to bring to the City's attention that there are really big bright white street stripes on Pebble Beach. She said they are very wide like highway width. Her concern is that it signifies the drivers that it is open road. At night people drive really fast on Pebble Beach.

The design and striping of Pebble Beach was discussed on a Commission level.

PART III - APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

March 12, 2026 and May 14, 2026 Meeting Minutes

On a motion by Commissioner DeCossio seconded by Commissioner Martinez and carried on a 5-0 polled vote , the Crescent City Planning Commission and Architectural Review Committee approved the March 12, 2026 and May 14, 2026 meeting minutes as

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presented with a change in the March 12, 2026 minutes where Vice Chair Decossio was quoted on page two, change it from two parking spaces per unit to two parking spaces for the entire units together.

PART IV - AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. A Public Hearing to consider a Zoning Ordinance Amendment (Application ZOA26-01) to amend the Signs Regulations Ordinance (CCMC § 17.39) to allow digital signs on school property.**

Ethan Lawton gave a presentation. He showed a rendering of the digital LED sign. He went over the process to get the signed approved, as the Planning Commission review is only the beginning step as it will need to go to Council as well. The ordinance amendment is exempt from CEQA.

The lighted signs times of operation was discussed on a commission level.

Lits were discussed on a commission level.

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Cate Classen, City resident- *She asked to look at the wattage and said please be sensitive with it, as it is in residential.*

On a motion by Commissioner Martinez seconded by Vice Chair Decossio and carried on a 5-0 polled vote , the Crescent City Planning Commission and Architectural Review Committee adopted Resolution No. PC2026-11, A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of Crescent City recommending the City Council adopt the amendments to the Signs Regulations Ordinance, Chapter 17.39 of the City's Municipal Code with section E struck.

- 2. A Public Hearing to consider a minor Architectural Review (Application AR26-07) for Troy Duncan's (Battery Point Group) proposed façade change on an +45-year-old existing commercial building located at 983 3rd Street (APN 118-070-012).**

Commissioner Martinez recused himself due to conflict of interest and left the room.

Planner Lawton gave a brief presentation. He said this is for façade change for a commercial building that is over 45 years old. He showed a map of the area that the public hearing notice was sent to. He showed pictures of the proposed façade. He spoke about the Downtown plans that happened this week. He went over the minor architectural review.

The façade was discussed on a Commission level.

The following resident addressed the commission:

Cate Classen, City resident- Said both photos are lovely. She feels the cape cod shingles fit really well with everything. The second rendering reflects those.

On a motion by Vice Chair DeCossio seconded by Chair Walp and carried on a 4-0 polled vote, with Commissioner Martinez recusing himself, the Crescent City Planning Commission and Architectural Review Committee adopted Resolution No. PC2026-12, A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of Crescent City Approving Troy Duncan's (Battery Point Group) minor Architectural Review (Application AR26-07) for a proposed façade change on a +45-year-old existing commercial building.

PART V – STAFF UPDATES TO PLANNING COMMISSION

Planner Lawton- spoke about the next Planning Commission meeting, he said there are two permits in the works, one for Rumianos Cheese and the second item is a variance permit for a single family residence at 140 Truman Court.

City Manager Wier- said there are a lot of construction projects going on. Its exciting to see it come to reality. He said the Downtown Specific Plan have been having some really good meetings this week with some planned for the future.

Director Yeager- Spoke about the Front Street project that has begun. He said it involves the front of the cultural center and Tolowa Cultural Trail.

The Amphitheatre was discussed on a Commission level.

Funding was discussed on a Commission level.

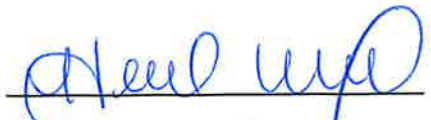
Sewer smoke tests were discussed on a commission level.

PART VI – ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Chair Walp adjourned the meeting at 6:31 p.m. to the regular meeting of the City of Crescent City Planning Commission and Architectural Review Committee scheduled for Thursday August 13th, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Heather Welton, Community Development Specialist