CITY OF LOS BANOS
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 10, 2026

ACTION MINUTES – These minutes are prepared to depict action taken for agenda items presented to the Planning Commission. For greater detail of this meeting refer to the electronic media (CD and/or audio) kept as a permanent record.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Hicks called the Planning Commission Meeting to order at the hour of 6:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner McBride.

ROLL CALL – MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION PRESENT: Planning Commission Members Gregory Hicks, William McBride, Steven Nunes, Rob Robinson. ABSENT: Shuyue Martinez.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Community & Economic Development Director Stacy Elms, Assistant Planner Justin Ragunton, City Attorney Mary Lerner, and Planning Commission Secretary Haley Leonard.

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AGENDA. Motion by McBride, seconded by Robinson to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Hicks, McBride, Nunes, Robinson; NOES: None; ABSENT: Martinez.

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE ACTION MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING OF MAY 13, 2026. Motion by Robinson, seconded by Nunes to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Hicks, McBride, Nunes, Robinson; NOES: None; ABSENT: Martinez.

PUBLIC FORUM: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ADDRESS THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS ON ANY ITEM OF PUBLIC INTEREST THAT IS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY; INCLUDES AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS. NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS. SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO A FIVE (5) MINUTE PRESENTATION. DETAILED GUIDELINES ARE POSTED ON THE COUNCIL CHAMBER INFORMATIONAL TABLE.

Chair Hicks opened the public forum.

No one indicated they would like to speak.

Chair Hicks then closed the public forum.

PUBLIC HEARING – TO CONSIDER APPROVING A CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO SECTION 15301, EXISTING FACILITIES, AND APPROVING COTTAGE FOOD OPERATION PERMIT #2026-01 FOR ANTOJITOS TOXICOS LOCATED AT 1608 THISTLE LANE; MORE SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED AS ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER: 430-120-042. Assistant Planner Ragunton presented the staff report, which included a PowerPoint Presentation.

Chair Hicks opened questions to staff.

No one indicated that they would like to speak.

Chair Hicks opened the public hearing.

Chair Hicks then closed the public hearing and opened questions back up to staff. All commissioners confirmed they had no further questions.

Motion by McBride, seconded by Robinson to adopt Planning Commission Resolution No. 2026-13 - Approving a Categorical Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Section 15301, Existing Facilities, and Approving Cottage Food Operation Permit #2026-01 for Antojitos Toxicos Located at 1608 Thistle Lane; More Specifically Identified as Assessor's Parcel Number: 430-120-042. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Hicks, McBride, Nunes, Robinson; NOES: None.; ABSENT: Martinez.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR REPORT.

Community & Economic Development Director Elms provided her report. She informed the Commissioners that the City Attorney's office has relocated from City Hall to the Miller & Lux Building located at 830 Sixth Street. Director Elms also advised that Assistant Planner Justin Ragunton will be out of the office until July 6, 2026, and informed the Commissioners that there is a Planning Commission meeting scheduled for June 24, 2026. She concluded her report.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER REPORTS.

HICKS: Thanked the applicant and staff.

MARTINEZ: Absent.

MCBRIDE: Thanked staff and the applicant.

NUNES: No Report.

ROBINSON: Congratulated the applicant and thanked staff and the press.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at the hour of 6:11 p.m.

APPROVED:

Gregory A. Hicks

Gregory Hicks, Planning Commission Chair

ATTEST:

Haley Leonard, Planning Commission Secretary