CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Kings County Planning Commission was called to order by Vice-Chairman Dias, on February 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, Administration Building, Kings County Government Center, Hanford, California. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Jim Gregory, Steven Dias, Riley Jones

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Lupe Chavez

STAFF PRESENT: Greg Gatzka – Director, Erik Kaeding – County Counsel, Chuck Kinney – Deputy Director – Planning, Terri Yarbrough – Executive Secretary, Dan Kassik – Planner

VISITORS PRESENT:

SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA: Mr. Gatzka summarized the agenda for the Commission.

UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made and seconded (Gregory/Jones) to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2016 meeting. Motion carried unanimously with Chavez absent and one vacancy.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Development Code Test Change 668.13 (Kings County)
   Mr. Kassik reviewed and explained the changes to the Development Code. Commissioner Jones asked for an explanation of the change to the open private recreation facilities in Article 4. Mr. Kassik explained and Mr. Kinney explained when a Site Plan Review would be required as opposed to a Conditional Use Permit. Mr. Kaeding also clarified that this was for an ongoing use and not a temporary use. Commissioner Gregory asked why roosters weren’t limited in the agriculture zones. Mr. Kinney stated there really hasn’t been a big issue since the Planning Department and Animal Control work closely with each other and if Animal Control asked for a restriction, it would probably be added. Commissioner Jones expressed a concern over the change to the appeals process in Article 17. He stated some people may not understand how or what to do and should be given the option to pay a fee to cover the cost for staff to do the work.

   Vice-Chairman Dias opened the public hearing and asked if there was anyone wanting to comment on the text changes. Seeing nobody present, he closed the public hearing.
A motion was made and seconded (Gregory/Jones) to adopt Resolution 17-01 and amending Article 17, Sec. 1711.1 by adding "unless the Community Development Agency, in its discretion, waives the requirement for good cause". Motion carried unanimously with Chavez absent and one vacancy.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. FUTURE MEETINGS: The next regular meeting of the Planning Commission is scheduled for Monday, March 6, 2017.
2. CORRESPONDENCE: Mr. Gatzka reported that an email was sent to the Commissioners regarding ethics training that is due February 18, 2017.
3. STAFF COMMENTS: None
4. COMMISSION COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

KINGS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Greg Gatzka, Commission Secretary