

TURLOCK CITY PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2010 - 7:00 P.M. City of Turlock, Yosemite Conference Room 156 South Broadway, 2nd Floor Turlock, California

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A. CALL TO ORDER

B. PUBLIC WORKSHOP

1. WORKSHOP OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF TURLOCK - BIG BOX BAN COMMUNITY MEETING:

At its August 24, 2010, meeting, the Turlock City Council directed the Planning Commission to evaluate the current zoning regulation that prohibits "big box" stores in most commercial zoning districts. The type of "big box" stores that are currently prohibited are those retail stores greater than 100,000 square feet in size that devote at least 5% of the total sales floor area to nontaxable merchandise (food items and other items exempt from sale tax as defined by State Law).

At its September 2, 2010, meeting, the Planning Commission considered several options for amending the ordinance, but felt it was important to gauge the community's interest in making any change. The purpose of this community meeting is to give the Turlock community the opportunity to express its views on whether or not to change the zoning restriction. Staff will provide a brief update on the options that have been considered by the City Council and Planning Commission, as well as background data that led up to the City's adoption of the original prohibition on "big box" stores. The Planning Commission will not take any action.

C. ADJOURNMENT