Chair Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Lubiano, Edelman, Kelly, and Crump
Absent: Sylvester

Staff Present: Pirnejad, Schott, Mothershead, Engfer and DeFries

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Edelman, seconded by Commissioner Crump, to approve the minutes of April 3, 2012. Motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

10. Use Permit UPR-3-12-5218 and Environmental Assessment for overnight pet boarding/kennel at Serramonte Plaza PetSmart – 315 Gellert Boulevard

Staff report presented by: Steve Engfer, Assistant Planner

Mr. Engfer presented the request by Melissa Lopez, representing PetSmart to obtain use permit approval to conduct an overnight pet boarding use. In October 2008, Use Permit UP08-12 was approved by the Planning Commission and City Council for the proposed use. However, due to economic considerations, it was not built within the time frames allowed and the use permit expired. This new application is seeking a renewal of the previously approved use permit as nothing has changed in the proposal.

The project site is located on the east side of Gellert Boulevard in the retail and service commercial center known as Serramonte Plaza. It is zoned C-1, Light Commercial, and a kennel use requires a use permit in the C-1 zone.

The proposal is to convert approximately 5,530 square feet of the existing PetSmart store for a “PetsHotel.” Proposed are 116 dog rooms, 16 cat rooms, grooming rooms, training rooms, and play rooms. Proposed hours of operation are the same as current hours.

They are proposing two additional signs, which will require a sign permit and compliance with the Serramonte Plaza Master Sign Program. The existing parking lot for Serramonte Plaza will be used and no additional parking is required.

There was no discussion and no speakers on this item.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by Commissioner Crump, seconded by Commissioner Edelman to close the public hearing. Motion carried 4-0.
Moved by Commissioner Lubiano, seconded by Commissioner Crump, to adopt the findings as outlined in the staff report of May 1, 2012. Motion carried 4-0.

Moved by Commissioner Edelman, seconded by Commissioner Crump, to affirm the Environmental Assessment. Motion carried 4-0.

Moved by Commissioner Crump, seconded by Commissioner Edelman, to approve Use Permit UPR-3-12-5218 subject to the Findings and Conditions outlined in the staff report of May 1, 2012. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (4-0).

COMMUNICATIONS:

Ms. Mothershead, Planning Manager, reminded the Commissioners that the next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, June 6, 2012, due to the election on June 5. Also, a study session will follow that meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Commissioner Edelman, seconded by Commissioner Crump, to adjourn at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Millar
Director of Economic and Community Development