



Date: May 2, 2006
To: Honorable Mayor and City Council
From: Councilmember Patrick O'Donnell, Fourth District (P.O.)
Subject: Planning Department Study Session

The Planning and Building Department is responsible for overseeing the physical development of the City of Long Beach. The Department is comprised of two Bureaus engaged in the permitting and inspection process for all development applications. The functions within the department include the Development Services Center, Plan Check and Inspection, Advanced Planning, Community and Environmental Planning, Zoning and Development, and Historical Preservation. The Department and its division are integral parts of the quality of life and economic development of the City.

Recommendation: Request the City Manager to conduct a study session for the City Council on Department of Planning and Building efforts to improve the development, design approval, permit, plan check and inspection process.