

**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
MARY ISLAS, PRESIDENT  
JUNE 10, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 10, 2009, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mary Islas, F. Phil Infelise, Ahmed Saafir, Jeanne Karatsu, Douglas Haubert

**MEMBER EXCUSED:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mario R. Beas, Executive Director & Secretary  
Melinda George, Deputy Director  
Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer  
Marilyn Hall, Executive Assistant  
Salvador Ambriz, Personnel Analyst  
Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst  
Robert Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst  
Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst  
Donna de Araujo, Assistant Administrative Analyst  
Ken Walker, Personnel Operations Manager, Human Resources

**President Mary Islas presided.**

**MINUTES:** It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of June 3, 2009, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

It was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 27, 2009, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that dismissal hearing 27-D-79 minutes of May 13 & 20, 2009, be approved as prepared. Commissioner Jeanne Karatsu abstained, as she was not present. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote

**REQUEST TO EXTEND  
PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENTS:**

**ANTONIO CARRILLO AND JEFF HOGAN/ GARAGE  
SERVICE ATTENDANTS**

The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Rob Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst, requesting Commission approval to extend the provisional appointments for Antonio Carrillo and Jeff Hogan, Garage Service Attendants for 150 days, until an eligible list is established. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the request to extend the provisional appointments for Antonio Carrillo and Jeff Hogan be approved in accordance with Section 49 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried unanimously.

**REQUEST TO RECLASSIFY  
POLICE RECRUIT:**

**ERIC CORNELL**

The Secretary presented a communication from Anthony Batts, Chief of Police, requesting Commission approval to reclassify Eric Cornell, Police Recruit to Special Services Officer to meet the legal obligations concerning Mr. Cornell's Veteran's Employment Rights. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Melinda George, Deputy Director. Ms. George briefed the Commission regarding this request, stating that prior to Mr. Cornell completing the Police Recruit Training Academy, he was called to military duty. After completion of his military assignment, Mr. Cornell has a right to return to his former position as a Police Recruit with the City. Ms. George stated that Mr. Cornell had not completed the Police Recruit Academy at the time he was called to military duty, and there is no current training academy for Mr. Cornell to return. However, she stated that in order to place Mr. Cornell in a police related job, the Police Department has requested that he be reclassified to a Special Services Officer until another Police Recruit Training Academy begins. She also stated that Mr. Cornell would have to serve a probationary period in the classification of Special Services Officer, and that he would be required to request Commission approval to return to his former classification as a probationary Police Recruit when there is a new training academy. Mike Mais, Assistant City Attorney, was present to answer questions regarding this matter. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the request to reclassify Eric Cornell from a Police Recruit to a Special Services Officer be approved in accordance with Section 52

of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**REQUEST TO FILE LATE APPLICATIONS:**

**CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR**

The Secretary presented communications from Roderick Gray, Andres Gutierrez, Oliver Magajes, Dave Orkin and Anthony Smith, requesting Commission approval to file a late application for the Construction Inspector examination. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst. Ms. Ferrer briefed the Commission regarding these requests, stating that Leslie Horikawa-Thiede, Manager, Business Operations, Long Beach Gas and Oil advised her that the job opportunity was posted in the department. Nathan Lynch, Construction Supervisor, Long Beach Gas and Oil, addressed the Commission, requesting that the Commission consider their request to file late applications because the employees protesting did not see the job posting, nor were the supervisors aware of the job opening. He stated that measures have been taken to ensure that all employees are notified of future employment opportunities. Rob Williams, Construction Supervisor, representing the Long Beach Association of Engineering Employees (LBAEE) addressed the Commission, also requesting that the Commission consider allowing these employees to participate in the Construction Inspector examination due to the failure of posting the job bulletin. Dave Orkin and Roderick Gray addressed the Commission, stating that they did not see the posting of the job bulletin in their department. Ken Walker, Manager, Personnel Operations addressed the Commission in support of the request to file late applications and stated that in the next Administrative Officers' meeting, he will remind departments to initiate a plan to ensure that their employees are notified of City job openings. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commission Infelise that the representative from Gas and Oil be required to submit to the Commission a plan of corrective action to ensure departments are posting job opportunities and hold the item for one week. In a substitute motion, it was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that Long Beach Gas and Oil Department did not comply with Section 10 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations in the posting of the job opportunity and to approve the requests to file late applications, and direct the Executive Director to contact departments citywide to request that they provide

information on what corrective actions will be taken to ensure employees are properly notified of job opportunities with the City of Long Beach. The motion carried by the following roll call vote.

AYE: Douglas Haubert  
F. Phil Infelise  
Jeanne Karatsu  
Mary Islas

NO: Ahmed Saafir

**PROPOSED CIVIL SERVICE  
DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2009/10:**

The Secretary presented a staff report and proposed Civil Service Department 2009/10 Fiscal Year budget, prepared by him. Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer, briefed the Commission regarding the proposed budget. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried to approve the proposed Civil Service Department Budget for Fiscal Year 2009/10 and forward it to the Mayor. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**EXAMINATION RESULTS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the following examination results be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Civil Engineer – 8 Applied, 6 Qualified  
Civil Engineering Assistant – 7 Applied, 7 Qualified  
Environmental Specialist Associate – 27 Applied, 5 Qualified  
Public Health Nutritionist – 5 Applied, 5 Qualified  
Special Services Officer (Amended) – 19 Applied,  
19 Qualified  
Water Treatment Operator – 26 Applied, 3 Qualified

**EXTENSION OF EXPIRING  
ELIGIBLE LISTS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the following eligible lists be extended for an additional six months. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Building Maintenance Engineer  
Business Systems Specialist  
Buyer  
Payroll/Personnel Assistant  
Public Safety Dispatcher  
Special Services Officer (6/18/08 & 12/17/08)

**RETIREMENTS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following retirements be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Marietta Garcia/Clerk Typist III/Police  
Hector Hernandez/Housing Specialist II/Community Development  
Donald Oldenburg/Special Services Officer III/Police  
Nancy Cotton/Animal Control Officer II/Health

**RESIGNATIONS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the following resignations be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Heather Martin/Administrative Analyst III/Parks  
Angel Pulido/Special Services Officer II/Public Works

**SCHEDULE FOR HEARINGS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried that the following hearing schedule be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Suspension Appeal 02-S-89, 07/31/09  
Suspension Appeal 04-S-89, 08/14/09  
Suspension Appeal 08-S-89, 08/21/09

**RESCHEDULE FOR HEARING:**

**SUSPENSION APPEAL 31-S-78**

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried that the subject hearing be rescheduled to July 17, 2009. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**MANAGERS' REPORT:**

The Secretary informed the Commission that he made a presentation to the City Council on Tuesday, June 9, 2009, on the proposed cuts to Civil Service Department Fiscal Year 2009/10 budget.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the Commission, President Islas adjourned the meeting.



MARIO R. BEAS  
Secretary

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**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
MARY ISLAS, PRESIDENT  
JUNE 17, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 17, 2009, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mary Islas, F. Phil Infelise, Ahmed Saafir, Jeanne Karatsu, Douglas Haubert

**MEMBER EXCUSED:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mario R. Beas, Executive Director & Secretary  
Melinda George, Deputy Director  
Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer  
Marilyn Hall, Executive Assistant  
Salvador Ambriz, Personnel Analyst  
Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst  
Robert Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst  
Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst  
Donna de Araujo, Assistant Administrative Analyst  
Ken Walker, Personnel Operations Manager, Human Resources

**President Mary Islas presided.**

**MINUTES:** It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Infelise to approve the regular minutes of June 10, 2009. In a substitute motion, it was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried to amend the minute for clarification and hold for one week. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT:** The Secretary presented a communication from Lisa Marin, Director of Human Resources, Harbor, requesting Commission authorization to appoint Sue Vachon, to the classification of Geographic Information Systems Analyst on a provisional basis. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Rob Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried that the request be granted in accordance with Civil Service Commission Policy 1.02 and Section 43 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION  
TO CIVIL SERVICE RULES AND  
REGULATIONS SECTION 115(3):**

**EQUIPMENT OPERATOR**

The Secretary presented a staff report, prepared by him, requesting Commission approval to an exception to Article IV, Section 7 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations – Qualifications and Requirements, in accordance with Article VIII, Section 115(3) of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations, to approve the selection process for Equipment Operator as an open-competitive examination, but limit the candidate pool to current City employees. Melinda George, Deputy Director, briefed the Commission regarding the request to conduct the examination open-competitive to City employees rather than as a promotional examination. Commissioner Saafir addressed concerns regarding non-career and provisional employees being considered. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried to approve the Exception to Civil Service Rules and Regulations Section 115(3), Article IV, Section 7 – Qualification and Requirements. In a substitute motion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir to direct staff to do a study on the selection and hiring practice each department uses in selecting non-career employees. The motion died due to lack of a second. The Commission returned to its original motion to approve the Exception to Civil Service Rules and Regulations Section 115(3), Article IV, Section 7 – Qualification and Requirements. The motion carried by the following roll call vote.

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| AYE: | Douglas Haubert<br>Jeanne Karatsu<br>F. Phil Infelise |
| NO:  | Ahmed Saafir<br>Mary Islas                            |

**ESTABLISHMENT OF ELIGIBLE  
LIST:**

**BATTALION CHIEF – PROMOTIONAL LIST**

The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst, requesting Commission approval to establish the effective date of the Battalion Chief promotional eligible list as of October 1, 2009, or the date of the first requisition – whichever occurs first. The Secretary briefed the Commission regarding this request. David Honey, Administrative Officer, Fire Administration stated that the Fire Department supported the request. After discussion, it was moved by

Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the request to establish the Battalion Chief promotional eligible list effective October 1, 2009, or date of first requisition, whichever occurs first be approved pursuant to Sections 25 & 26 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**PROTEST OF WRITTEN EXAMINATION ITEMS:**

**CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR**

The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst regarding the protested questions from the Construction Inspector examination, which was administered on June 4 & 11, 2009. Ms. Ferrer briefed the Commission regarding the protests. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried to approve the recommended disposition of the protested item. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**BULLETINS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried that the following Job Opportunity Bulletins be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Equipment Operator  
Senior Program Manager - Water

**EXAMINATION RESULTS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried that the following examination results be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Civil Engineering Assistant – 65 Applied, 27 Qualified  
Geographic Information Systems Technician – 65 Applied  
27 Qualified

**EXTENSION OF EXPIRING ELIGIBLE LISTS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following eligible lists be extended for an additional six months, with the exception of Senior Accountant, to be extended for three months. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Electrician  
General Librarian  
Mechanical Equipment Stock Clerk  
Senior Accountant (**3 months**)



**RETIREMENT:**

**JERRY BENTON/CAPITAL PROJECTS COORDINATOR II/HARBOR**

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the subject retirement be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**RESIGNATIONS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following resignations be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

John Belden/General Maintenance Supervisor II/Parks  
Evan West/Ambulance Operator/Fire  
Samira Husain/Special Services Officer II/Airport

**TRANSFERS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the following transfers between departments be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Jimmy Chen/Senior Civil Engineer/Water to Senior Civil Engineer/Harbor  
Travis Frost/Accounting Clerk II/Financial Management to Accounting Clerk III/Public Works

**DOWNGRADE (Voluntary):**

**RAFAEL BENITEZ-ESTRADA/PARKING CONTROL CHECKER II/PUBLIC WORKS TO PARKING CONTROL CHECKER I/PUBLIC WORKS**

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried that the subject downgrade (voluntary) be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**CONSIDERATION OF HEARING OFFICER'S REPORT:**

**SUSPENSION HEARING 18-S-78**

The Secretary presented a report prepared by Hearing Officer Robert Kilpatrick, Attorney at Law, to the Commission, regarding the subject hearing which was conducted on May 15, 2009. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the hearing officer's report be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**CONSIDERATION OF HEARING OFFICER'S REPORT:**

**DISABILITY RETIREMENT HEARING DR-S-78**

The Secretary presented a report prepared by Administrative Law Judge Chris Ruiz, to the Commission, regarding the subject hearing which was conducted on January 15, 2009. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the administrative law judge's report be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**CANCELLATION OF CSC MEETING OF JULY 1, 2009:**

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the regular Commission meeting of July 1, 2009, be cancelled due to lack of a quorum. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**MANAGERS' REPORT:**

The Secretary informed the Commission that Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer is working on the Civil Service Department budget for the Citywide budget book. He acknowledged that Civil Service Department staff averaged 3.4 hours of sick leave usage for calendar year 2008, and congratulated staff on their dedication and commitment to the City.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

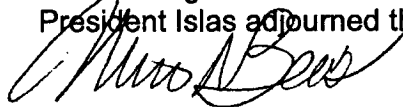
Commissioner Haubert requested a discussion on the hiring processes selecting non-career employees.

**COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:**

Chris Ward, Union Representative, CESL, stated that he looks forward to the discussion of the hiring of non-career employees.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the Commission, President Islas adjourned the meeting.



MARIO R. BEAS  
Secretary

MRB:meh

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES  
MAY 21, 2009**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by Drew Satariano, President, at 9:06 a.m., at the El Dorado Park West Community Center, in the Senior Center Library. Phil Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine, took roll call and confirmed a quorum.

**Present:** Drew Satariano, President  
Brett Waterfield, Vice President  
Simon George  
Albert Guerra  
Harry Saltzgaver  
Sarah Sangmeister

**Absent:** None

**Staff:** Phil Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine  
Ramon Arevalo, Manager, Maintenance Operations  
JC Squires, Manager of Business Operations  
Sherri Nixon-Joiner, Manager, Community Recreation Services  
Marc Gutfeld, Superintendent, Community Recreation Services  
Anna Mendiola, Park Development Officer, Planning and Development  
Bob Livingstone, Superintendent of Golf Operations  
Robin Black, Executive Assistant to the Director

**Guests:** Jeff Winklepleck, Planning, Development Services  
John Horne, Salvation Army  
John McCann, Chairman, Municipal Golf Commission  
Mike Duree, Livingston Tot Lot Committee  
Diane Wiley, Partners of Parks

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APRIL 16, 2009**

**It was moved by Commissioner George and seconded by Commissioner Sangmeister to approve the April 16, 2009 Parks and Recreation Commission minutes. The motion carried unanimously with Vice President Waterfield abstaining.**

President Satariano said he would take the KROC Center item at this time.

**V. COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS**

**#09-0506**

Recommendation to receive and file the KROC Center Development update.

Ms. Anna Mendiola said that the Department of Development Services asked to come before the Parks and Recreation Commission to give an update of the KROC Center development. Jeff Winklepleck, with Development Services, is going to give an overview and then there will be a presentation from the Salvation Army.

Mr. Winklepleck said that the Planning Bureau has been working with the Salvation Army for about two years on the KROC Center project at Pacific Coast Highway and Walnut Avenue. We are just wrapping up the Environmental Impact Report process and will be going to the Planning Commission in June and are on a fast track to get the project moving forward. He introduced John Horne to walk through the project.

Mr. Horne said that there are certain things that the Salvation Army will do in this project that are important to understand. There is a definite mission. This is a beacon of hope for the community. This is to provide services to people who normally wouldn't have that opportunity. It is to create a world-class facility that people will be able to go to for recreation or for an Olympic hopeful. He described the site and showed a presentation of the proposed plan. He said that the neighborhood requested that they have a site where they feel safe. The site will have monitored ingress and egress.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said the site still has to be a flood control basin. With the development, does it still maintain the proper amount for a flood control basin?

Mr. Horne responded yes, and they increase the amount of flood control area. There is some underwater storage as well. If there is a major storm, the buildings would still be dry because they are built at grade, equal to Pacific Coast Highway, and the water could be pumped out within 18 hours.

Commissioner Saltzgaver asked how much of the administration building would be devoted to the chapel? Also, are they planning on regular services there or just for special events like weddings?

Mr. Horne responded that there would be regular Sunday services held there. The chapel would not be in the administration building; it would be in the performing arts building. On Sundays it would be used as a chapel and it could also be used as a music conservatory and a performing arts center.

Commissioner Saltzgaver asked if they have enough money to do it?

Mr. Horne responded that at this time everything is en route to be able to go ahead and do it.

Commissioner Guerra asked if the Department provides programs at the site now? If so, where would we put those groups?

Mr. Horne responded that he spoke with Dennis Thys, the Director of Community Development. We recognize that the people who are using that site now are not using it for free. The groups are paying to use the site. He is getting that fee schedule and if the KROC Center can match what the groups currently pay, they will make the Center's site available to those groups.

Mr. Hester said that it is only adult leagues that are playing in the site now. This should not be an issue.

Commissioner Sangmeister asked what the timeframe is for the project and to break ground?

Mr. Horne responded that once they break ground, it would take approximately two years to complete. It is dependent on when they would break ground. They cannot work on the project during the rain because the site is a catch basin.

Vice President Waterfield asked if they have any feel for fee structures?

Mr. Horne responded yes. Because of the Salvation Army and because of what Mrs. Kroc wants to happen, they would make sure people are able to use the center. If a person cannot afford to use the center, they won't have to pay. But someone would end up having to pay for that. For instance, in San Diego, it costs \$140 a year per person. A day pass costs \$5 per day to use the facility. There is a sliding scale based on a person's

income. A person might pay \$10 per year and someone else would pick up the difference. The center is designed specifically to make it available to everyone.

President Satariano said that this is a great center, but it is surrounded by City facilities and he is concerned that there needs to be more discussion with the people that currently service this community.

Mr. Horne responded that they had a firm come in who did a community needs analysis with that community. The facilities designed are specific to that community needs analysis. There are people that would like to see an ice rink, but the community did not want that. They are enthusiastic about the gymnasium and the pools. The Cambodian community said that they would be happy to use the facility, but they want to feel secure there. We are happy to discuss information with the Department and exchange information. It is a great opportunity to enhance each other's programs. This would also be a great place to hold swim meets and soccer meets.

**It was moved by Commissioner Saltzgaver and seconded by Vice President Waterfield to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.**

President Satariano said that they would go back to the regular order on the agenda.

### **III. LIVINGSTON TOT LOT COMMITTEE PRESENTATION**

President Satariano introduced Mike Duree from the Livingston Tot Lot Committee. This has been a very successful public/private partnership with a neighborhood coming together and raising money and putting a park where there wasn't one. Evidently there was some money left over and they would like to make a donation to Partners of Parks. Diane Wiley is present to accept that.

Mr. Duree thanked the Commission for giving him the opportunity to come in and speak. He explained that the community members came together with the express intent of renovating the Livingston Park Tot Lot. It was a tiny park before and one of the most heavily used facilities in the city. It had fallen into disrepair. We were able to, in a very short period of time, raise over \$150,000, which the City matched. In about two and a half years the park was built. It is still one of the busiest little parks in the city. He presented Diane Wiley with a check for a little under \$1,600 for Partners of Parks.

Ms. Wiley said that she often drives by the tot lot and it is always packed. She appreciated what the committee did with this park. She said that this money would go toward the youth assistance fund for kids who can't afford classes.

#### **IV. MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS BUREAU PRESENTATION**

Mr. Ramon Arevalo introduced his superintendents and supervisors in attendance. He described each of his five divisions: Facility Maintenance, Grounds Maintenance, Beach Maintenance, Marine Maintenance, and Administration, with the help of a PowerPoint presentation.

Commissioner Saltzgaver asked about the contract supervisor for landscaping.

Mr. Arevalo responded that the Grounds Maintenance supervisors meet with the contractor weekly.

#### **V. COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS**

##### **#09-0501**

Recommendation to authorize the Director, or his or her management designee to execute the Personal Services and Instruction Agreements and amend Attachment "A" of the agreements as needed.

**It was moved by Commissioner Saltzgaver and seconded by Commissioner Sangmeister to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.**

##### **#09-0502**

Recommendation to authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute all documents necessary to issue a permit to ESPN, Inc., doing business as ESPN/RISE, for the use of Blair and Joe Rodgers Fields for the 2009 Area Code Games, from August 4, 2009 through August 10, 2009.

Commissioner Saltzgaver asked if this is a full-paid permit fee?

Mr. Hester responded that it is a negotiated fee that is significantly more than they previously paid.

Mr. Squires stated that is about \$12,000, which is almost 40% higher than they paid last year.

**It was moved by Commissioner Saltzgaver and seconded by Commissioner Sangmeister to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.**

**#09-0503**

Recommendation to authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute a permit with Knowledge Learning Corporation® for the operation of a science camp from June 20, 2009 through August 26, 2009, at El Dorado Park West, Picnic Site A.

Mr. Hester stated that the program has been here for some time.

Commissioner Guerra asked if they offer scholarships?

Ms. Sherri Nixon-Joiner responded no, they do not.

**It was moved by Commissioner Saltzgaver and seconded by Commissioner George to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.**

**#09-0504**

Recommendation to authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute all documents necessary to issue the Tenth Amendment to Permit No. 23430 with A.J.'s Custom Picnics for a term of one year, through June 30, 2010.

**It was moved by Commissioner Saltzgaver and seconded by Commissioner George to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.**

**#09-0505**

Recommendation to authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine to execute all documents necessary to issue a revocable permit to St. Mary Medical Center, a subsidiary of Catholic Healthcare West, for the use of approximately 2,050 square feet of building space, at the Long Beach Senior Center, located at 1150 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Long Beach, for the administration and provision of a physician-based ambulatory healthcare clinic for seniors, for a month-to-month tenancy subject to the discretion of the Director.

Mr. Squires stated that the Health Department ran an advisory clinic out of the Senior Center for many years. With this last round of budget reductions they had to reduce and close this item. The Senior Center has been without this service for about three months now. St. Mary's came forward quickly, offering not only to replace the service but also to upgrade it to a physician-based clinic. Our fee to them will be \$1 per month. Once



we go through a more formal RFP to get a real contract in place, they have offered to put almost \$40,000 in improvements for this and significantly upgrade the services to the residents and users.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said this was pretty amazing and asked how it came forward.

Ms. Nixon-Joiner said that the Health Department recruited St. Mary's when they knew they were going to have to close this office.

Mr. Squires said that this is the mission of St. Mary's, to provide health services to the poor and underprivileged in the downtown area. They will be getting what reimbursements they can through Medicare and Medicaid.

Commissioner Guerra asked if the offices would be in the same footprint as what is already there?

Mr. Squires responded yes, it is in the same footprint.

**It was moved by Commissioner Sangmeister and seconded by Commissioner Guerra to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.**

## **VI. PUBLIC HEARING**

- A. Recommendation to approve temporary recreation surcharge fee on certain rounds of golf in Attachment A for immediate implementation and running through September 30, 2010.

President Satariano introduced John McCann, President of the Municipal Golf Commission, and Bob Livingstone, Superintendent of Golf Operations.

President Satariano opened the public hearing and attendees were sworn in by Robin Black.

Mr. Bob Livingstone said that because of the City's budget crisis, staff has been looking into various ways to generate additional revenue from the golf operation. We presented some ideas to the Municipal Golf Commission. The Commission said that it was appropriate for the golfing public to try and help the Department at this time, provided that the burden was across the board and not in just one segment of the population or in one or two of the golf

courses. Also, any increases or assistance given to the Department would go just to the Department and not to the concessionaire, American Golf. The Municipal Golf Commission recommended the adoption of a temporary surcharge on certain fees that would be the least likely to result in a drop in play. Staff brought forth the attached surcharges. The fees on Long Beach resident seniors and all junior golf is less than on regular play. It is anticipated that this would be implemented on June 20, 2009. For the remainder of this fiscal year, that would be approximately \$50,000 back to the Department. For fiscal year 2010, approximately \$220,000 would come to the Department for recreation programs. Since none of these fees would go to the concessionaire, its implementation is not contemplated in the City Council approved lease with American Golf. The fee would have to be approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission under the City Charter, Section 902 (b). Staff is recommending that this be approved.

Mr. John McCann commended the Parks and Recreation Commission for the work they do. The initial proposal to raise green fees about \$7 at Recreation Park would have chased golfers away. We have great golfing here in Long Beach and we want to maintain it.

Vice President Waterfield asked why they chose to put in a fee reduction for all juniors as opposed to just Long Beach juniors?

Mr. Livingstone said that has been our philosophy. We have always tried to support all juniors, not just Long Beach residents. All junior rates apply to all junior golf, not just Long Beach junior golf.

Commissioner Waterfield asked if he has a sense of the numbers?

Mr. Livingstone responded that since the juniors don't have driver's licenses, there is no way to prove whether they are residents or not.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said that a lot of people play on the 9-hole course at Heartwell Golf Course. What would they pay?

Mr. Livingstone responded that they would pay nothing. The surcharge is only on the 18-hole round of golf.

Mr. Hester said that the important thing to remember is that this is a temporary surcharge, a financial emergency type surcharge, and we want to watch the reaction very closely. We don't want to drive away golfers.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said it is important to note that American Golf still would be able to raise their regular CPI. When does that happen?

Mr. Hester responded that they have two options. They can implement the CPI adjustment October 1<sup>st</sup>, but it is negative right now. They could also submit a proposal for some other type of adjustment, but that has to go through the normal approval process.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said that he played golf in St. George, Utah this last weekend and their golf courses are pretty well known and we are still cheaper for residents than St. George. He thinks our golf courses compare favorably.

President Satariano asked if any members of the audience wished to speak on this issue. There were none. He closed the public hearing.

**It was moved by Commissioner Saltzgaver and seconded by Commissioner Sangmeister to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.**

## **VII. COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS**

### **A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE President Satariano, Chair**

President Satariano stated that the Committee met and discussed the budget.

#### **1) Selection of Nomination committee for 2009-2010 Officers**

President Satariano asked Commissioner Saltzgaver to chair the Nominating Committee with Albert Guerra on the committee and that they bring back their recommendations to the Parks and Recreation Commission at the June meeting.

B. FINANCE AND APPEALS COMMITTEE  
President Satariano, Chair

President Satariano said that the Committee met and discussed the budget. The financial statement is included in the packet.

Mr. Squires stated that 50% of the year has passed and we are at 49% of our budget. The water charges are going up and Maintenance is working hard on a water plan to keep that number down. Recreation is going to have some increased expenses but they are working hard to keep their number down. For the current year we are in pretty good shape. The current plan for 2010 is rolling back to a 6% reduction for the departments, so we are working on that new list. It will take a very dramatic affect on recreation programs.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said that the 6% is dependent on the \$23 million giveback from employees, and that would include all employees including Fire and Police.

C. PARK SAFETY COMMITTEE  
Commissioner Saltzgaver, Chair

Commissioner Saltzgaver said that the Committee met this morning. The discussion was, in the face of the budget cuts, about 27 out of the 54 playgrounds will be unsupervised and we will have more time when community centers are not staffed. We are looking at reviving the Park Watch program, which was established but has been dormant. It is the Park Safety Committee's recommendation that staff look at reviving that program and making a big public push to try and gain even more public ownership in our parks. It accomplishes public relations, it shows we are being proactive, despite our budget cuts, and it improves the reporting in issues in parks so we can respond more quickly. We ask that Tristina Meche make the effort to find out about the program as it stands today. We don't want to wait until the August Park Safety Committee meeting; we want this to happen soon. That is our recommendation to the Commission as a whole.

Commissioner Saltzgaver said that they also discussed park ranger staffing and that we don't have very many rangers. They are doing what they can. They also discussed the video surveillance pilot program. They would like to find out whether the camera at Drake Park had any impact and the costs thereof.

D.     **MARKETING AND CUSTOMER SERVICE COMMITTEE**  
Commissioner Guerra, Chair

Commissioner Guerra said that there was no meeting, but would like to jump on board on the Park Watch program. We see it as a valuable way to get the word out to our constituents and our users of our parks that we are in a budget crunch and the public needs to take responsibility and take ownership of the parks. If we can get more of these signs out and develop a marketing plan to help get the word out, that would be a good thing to focus on.

Mr. Hester said that the Department was planning on implementing the Park Watch program. The Department is also taking this opportunity to have a Volunteer Coordinator to coordinate all the volunteer services. We used to have a very active program years ago and it is important to look at now. I can see the Park Watch program under the Volunteer Coordinator. Recreation and Maintenance are working on some organizational changes that will allow more oversight at all of our parks. The camera surveillance is very important and the technology changes every day.

Commissioner Guerra said that Tristina Meche hopes to have a member of the Maintenance Operations Bureau included as part of the Park Safety Committee.

E.     **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**  
Vice President Waterfield, Chair

Vice President Waterfield stated that the Committee did not meet, that they would meet in June. The Homeland groundbreaking went well.

Ms. Anna Mendiola said that Seaside Park is under construction so there are two big projects with that and Homeland. As part of a stimulus package, Neighborhood Services received Community Development Block Grant funds of about \$2 million. Most of that has been given to Parks, Recreation and Marine and they would be putting that on a City Council agenda in June. The funds would go toward the 14<sup>th</sup> Street Skate Park, the restroom at MacArthur Park, and additional revenue for a Pacific Electric right-of-way bike lane.

Mr. Hester said that this would go on the June 2<sup>nd</sup> City Council agenda.

F. SPECIAL EVENTS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE  
Commissioner Guerra, Chair

Commissioner Guerra said that the Committee did not meet.

Mr. Hester said that the alcohol in the parks item should be going before the Parks and Recreation Commission in June.

VIII. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO COMMISSION**

- A. Recommendation to receive and file the Director's Monthly Highlights Report for April 2009.

**It was moved by Commissioner Saltzgaver and seconded by Commissioner George to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.**

IX. **CORRESPONDENCE**

President Satariano said that there was no correspondence.

X. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

President Satariano said that there was no unfinished business.

XI **NEW BUSINESS**

President Satariano said that there was no new business.

XII. **COMMENTS**

A. AUDIENCE

President Satariano asked for comments from the audience. There were none.

B. STAFF

President Satariano asked for comments from the staff.

Mr. Marc Gutfeld said that the Civil War Re-enactment is next weekend. The Audubon Society surveyed the area. Long Beach Unified School District students and Boy Scouts would be able to get in free. There will not be a school program on Friday, as the organization did not receive a response back from Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD).

Ms. Nixon-Joiner said that the group should have focused on schools in walking distance from the event and should not have put in a request to the LBUSD office. Staff will suggest they do that next year.

Mr. Hester said that there was a newspaper article about leasing Blair Field. One of the items that came out of the Department's all management meetings was the possibility of selling or leasing Blair Field because it is a high-cost facility to run. There were some preliminary conversations with California State University, Long Beach, when they were looking at raising their student fees for several projects, including updating their stadium. They would prefer using Blair Field. City Council gave the OK to negotiate the contract.

Ms. Nixon-Joiner distributed a flyer for the Juneteenth event on June 13, at Martin Luther King, Jr. Park.

Mr. Squires said he would like to recognize the Department's Business Operations staff, particularly in the areas of accounting, budgeting, and purchasing. They have gone beyond the call of duty for several months.

Mr. Arevalo described what Maintenance Operations is doing to control water costs.

Commissioner Saltzgaver asked what happened with the project to update the park's irrigation system?

Mr. Arevalo said that the project was denied.

Mr. Hester said that there is a proposal in the federal budget with Senators Boxer and Feinstein for \$1 million for irrigation in parks.

#### C. COMMISSIONERS

President Satariano asked for comments from the Commissioners.

Commissioner Saltzgaver thanked the Commissioners and staff for sending their condolences on the death of his father.

Commissioner Guerra said that he attended the public meeting on the Leeway Sailing Center, which was pretty interesting. Overall the community is in support of a change.

President Satariano said that he attended a Boy Scout awards ceremony and Commissioner Guerra was awarded with their prestigious Silver Beaver Award.

**XIII. NEXT MEETING**

President Satariano stated that the next meeting would be held at 9:00 a.m., on Thursday, June 18, 2009, at Admiral Kidd Park Community Center, 2125 Santa Fe Avenue, Long Beach.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

President Satariano adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin Black  
Executive Assistant to the Director

c: Phil T. Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine



**CITY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES****FEBRUARY 19, 2009**

The regular meeting of the City Planning Commission and public hearing convened Thursday, February 19, at 5:08 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, CA.

**PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS:** Philip Saumur, Becky Blair, Charles Durnin, Donita Van Horik, Alan Fox

**ABSENT: EXCUSED:** Leslie Gentile, Melani Smith

**CHAIRMAN:** Philip Saumur

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Craig Beck, Director of Development Services  
Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer  
Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer  
Lynette Ferenczy, Planner  
Monica Mendoza, Planner  
Mark Hungerford, Planner  
Cuentin Jackson, Planner  
Heidi Eidson, Minutes Clerk

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mike Mais, Assistant City Attorney  
Dina Lopez, City Clerk Specialist

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Fox.

**MINUTES**

Commissioner Blair spoke.

The minutes of December 18, 2008 were approved as amended on a motion by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Commissioner Van Horik and passed 5-0. Commissioners Gentile and Smith were absent.

A dialogue ensued between the Commission and staff.

The minutes of January 15, 2009 were approved as amended on a motion by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Chair Saumur and passed 4-0-1, with Commissioner Fox abstaining. Commissioners Gentile and Smith were absent.

The minutes of February 5, 2009 were approved on a motion by Commissioner Durnin, seconded by Commissioner Blair and passed 4-0-1, with Commissioner Fox abstaining. Commissioners Gentile and Smith were absent.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

There was no Director's Report given.

#### **SWEARING OF WITNESSES**

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public comment given at this time.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

##### **Agenda Item #1**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Planning Commission deny the appeal and uphold the decision of the Zoning Administrator to approve a Local Coastal Development Permit to allow the establishment of a weekly Farmer's market in the parking lot of Marine Stadium at 5255 Paoli Way. (District 3) (Application No. 0801-11)

Lynette Ferenczy, Project Planner, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

Larry Goodhue, appellant, spoke.

Lee Ostendorf, applicant, spoke.

Elisabeth Barnes, 6119 Costa del Rey, spoke.

William Thomas, 620 Winslow Avenue, spoke.

Shirley Thomas, 620 Winslow Avenue, spoke.

Mr. Goodhue gave a rebuttal.

A dialogue ensued between the Commission and staff.

Commissioner Durnin made a motion to deny the appeal and uphold the decision of the Zoning Administrator to approve a Local Coastal Development Permit to allow the establishment of a weekly Farmer's Market in the parking lot of Marine Stadium and Commissioner Blair seconded the motion.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Assistant City Attorney Mike Mais.

The motion passed 5-0. Commissioners Gentile and Smith were absent.

**Agenda Item #2**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Planning Commission approve the Historic Landmark Designation and a Conditional Use Permit request to establish a Special Group Residence home for transitional aged youth with a Standards Variance request for a third story roof deck railing to exceed the height limit of 28 feet located at 2640 E. Anaheim Street in the CCP zone. (District 4) (Application No. 0811-03)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Mark Hungerford, Project Planner, presented the staff report and PowerPoint presentation.

Allison Riley, applicant, spoke.

Staff responded to queries from the Commission.

Jack Smith, 2453 Golden Avenue, spoke.

Jill Hill, 2075 San Francisco Avenue, spoke.

Larry Goodhue, address on file, spoke.

Alicia Streeter, 1210 Ohio Avenue, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between staff, the Commission, and the applicant.

Commissioner Blair made a motion to approve the Historic Landmark Designation and a Conditional Use Permit request to establish a Special Group Residence home for transitional aged youth with a Standards Variance request for a third story roof-deck railing to exceed the height limit of 25 feet located in the CCP zone and Commissioner Van Horik seconded the motion.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

The motion passed 5-0. Commissioners Gentile and Smith were absent.

### Agenda Item #3

**RECOMMENDATION:** Planning Commission deny the appeal and uphold the Site Plan Review Committee's decision to approve a Modification to a Conditional Use Permit to allow the placement of an emergency generator and containment pad within the enclosure of an existing wireless telecommunication facility at 6502 E. Stearns Street. (District 5) (Application No. 0806-14)

Derek Burnham introduced the item and clarified the amended conditions.

Monica Mendoza, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Michelle Felten, applicant, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between the Commission, staff and the applicant.

Commissioner Durnin made a motion to approve a Modification to the Conditional Use Permit to allow the placement of an emergency generator and containment pad within the enclosure of an existing wireless telecommunication facility without Condition of Approval #4. Commissioner Blair seconded the motion which passed 4-1 with Commissioner Fox dissenting. Commissioners Gentile and Smith were absent.

### Agenda Item #4

**RECOMMENDATION:** Planning Commission approve a Conditional Use Permit to allow the installation of a roof-mounted telecommunications site consisting of nine panel antennas and six ground-mounted equipment cabinets at 745 Alamos Avenue within the R-4-N zone. (District 1) (Application No. 0805-12)

Derek Burnham introduced the item.

Cuentin Jackson, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Tim Miller, applicant spoke.

Mr. Miller responded to queries from the Commission.

Commissioner Van Horik made a motion to approve a Conditional Use Permit to allow the installation of a roof-mounted telecommunications site consisting of nine panel antennas and six ground-mounted equipment cabinets within the R-4-N zone. Commissioner Fox seconded the motion which passed 5-0. Commissioners Gentile and Smith were absent.

**MATTERS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

There were no matters from the Planning Commission.

**ADJOURN**

Chair Saumur adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Eidson  
Minutes Clerk

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
PLANNING COMMISSION**



**THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2009  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 P.M.**

Phillip Saumur, Chair  
Melanie Smith, Vice Chair

Becky Blair, Member  
Donita Van Horik, Member  
Charles Durnin, Member  
Leslie Gentile, Member  
Alan Fox, Member

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**FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER (5:03 PM)**

At 5:03 p.m., Chair Saumur called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL (5:03 PM)**

**Roll Call**

Present: Phil Saumur; Becky Blair; Donita Van Horik; Charles Durnin;  
Leslie Gentile.

Absent/Excused: Melani Smith; Alan Fox.

Also present: Craig Beck, Director, Development Services; Derek Burnham;  
Current Planning Officer; Amy Burton, Deputy City Attorney; Angie  
Zetterquist, Project Planner; Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner; Cuentin  
Jackson, Project Planner; Heidi Eidson, Minutes Clerk; Dina Lopez, City  
Clerk Specialist.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (5:03 PM)**

Commissioner Durnin led the pledge of allegiance.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:04 PM)**

Craig Beck, Director, Development Services, spoke.

Chair Saumur spoke.

Craig Beck, responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Members of the public are invited to address the Planning Commission on items of interest to the public within the Commission's jurisdiction. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes unless that time is extended by the Chair.

There were no public comments at this time.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES Do you solemnly swear or affirm that the evidence you shall give in this Planning Commission Meeting shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. (5:09 PM)

STUDY SESSION (5:09 PM)

Site Plan Review process.

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the study session regarding the Site Plan Review process.

Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

Commissioner Van Horik requested a copy of the PowerPoint presentation.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Illuminated freeway sign with electronic message center at 3377-3399 Long Beach Boulevard. (5:09 PM)

Derek Burnham introduced the item regarding illuminated freeway signage.

Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner provided a presentation and PowerPoint presentation.

Jeff Winklepleck responded to a question from the Commissioner Durnin.

Dan Dudridge, applicant , spoke.

Dan Dudridge responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Bob Gill, 3828 Pine Avenue, spoke.

Joan Greenwood, 2091 San Francisco, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Durnin and Ms. Greenwood.

John Deats, 3600 Pacific Avenue, spoke.

Richard Jacobs, no address given, spoke.

Richard Ivey, no address given, spoke.

Cheryl Jacobs, 4020 Linden Avenue, spoke.

Rob Webb, address on file, representing CompuLink Management Center for Laserfiche, spoke.

Mana Eichner, address on file, representing Wrigley Going Green, spoke.

Jack Smith, 2400 Golden Avenue, spoke.

Dan Dudridge responded to comments made by the public.

Craig Beck responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer, Craig Beck and Commissioner Gentile.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Chair Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Durnin spoke.

Chair Saumur asked for information regarding signage stats.

**REGULAR AGENDA (6:07 PM)**

1. Application No. 0812-07 Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit for the construction of a new 60-foot high wireless telecommunications monopole disguised as a pine tree (monopine) at 3655



Norwalk Boulevard (District 5)

Derek Burnham introduced the item.

Cuentin Jackson, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Gentile.

Tim Miller, applicant, spoke and responded to questions from the Commission.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Gentile.

Chris Williams, 8015 Ring Street, spoke.

Pam Davis, 8025 Ring Street, spoke.

Derek Burnham , Craig Beck, and Chair Saumur responded to a query from Ms. Davis.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Tim Miller responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

Tim Miller responded to queries from Commissioner Durnin.

Mrs. Williams, 8015 Ring Street, spoke.

Tim Miller responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

**Motion:** Approve the Conditional Use Permit for the construction of a 65' high monopine at 3655 Norwalk Boulevard.

Moved by Donita Van Horik, seconded by Becky Blair.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Chair Saumur spoke.

**Motion:** Amend motion to add a tree cluster to staff's satisfaction to better disguise the pole and equipment.

Moved by Charles Durnin, seconded by Becky Blair.

**Vote:** Amend motion to add a tree cluster to staff's satisfaction to better disguise the pole and equipment. (Carried 4-1)

Yes: Charles Durnin, Donita Van Horik, Becky Blair, and Phil Saumur.

No: Leslie Gentile.  
Absent: Alan Fox, Melani Smith.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Saumur adjourned the meeting at 6:36 pm.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING: March 19, 2009 - 5:00 PM**

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**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
PLANNING COMMISSION**



**THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2009  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 P.M.**

Phillip Saumur, Chair  
Melanie Smith, Vice Chair

Becky Blair, Member  
Donita Van Horik, Member  
Charles Durnin, Member  
Leslie Gentile, Member  
Alan Fox, Member

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## **FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES**

### **CALL TO ORDER (5:04 PM)**

Chair Saumur called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

### **ROLL CALL**

#### **Roll Call (5:04 PM)**

Present: Phil Saumur; Melani Smith; Donita Van Horik; Charles Durnin;  
Leslie Gentile; Alan Fox.

Absent/Excused: Becky Blair.

Also present: Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, Craig Beck, Director of Development Services, Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer, Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, Mark Hungerford, Project Planner, Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner, Meredith Elguira, Project Planner, Scott Kinsey, Project Planner, Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, Heidi Eidson, Minutes Clerk

### **FLAG SALUTE (5:05 PM)**

Commissioner Smith led the flag salute.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:05 PM)**

There was no Director's Report given.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:06 PM)**

Members of the public are invited to address the Planning Commission on items of interest to the public within the Commission's jurisdiction. Each

speaker will be limited to three minutes unless that time is extended by the Chair.

There were no public comments at this time.

**SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:07 PM)**

Do you solemnly swear or affirm that the evidence you shall give in this Planning Commission Meeting shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

**REGULAR AGENDA (5:07 PM)**

**1. Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit for the construction of a new 60'-high wireless telecommunications monopole disguised as a pine tree (monopine) located at 6655 Atlantic Avenue (District 9) (Application No. 0812-05). (5:07 PM)**

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Mark Hungerford, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Tim Miller, applicant, spoke.

Mr. Miller responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

**Motion:** Approve a Conditional Use Permit for the construction of a new 60'-high wireless telecommunications monopole disguised as a pine tree (monopine) located at 6655 Atlantic Avenue.  
Moved by Melani Smith, seconded by Charles Durnin.

**Vote:** Approve a Conditional Use Permit for the construction of a new 60'-high wireless telecommunications monopole disguised as a pine tree (monopine) located at 6655 Atlantic Avenue. (Carried 6-0)  
Yes: Leslie Gentile, Charles Durnin, Donita Van Horik, Alan Fox, Phil Saumur, and Melani Smith.  
Absent: Becky Blair.

A dialogue ensued between Mike Mais, Assistant City Attorney and Commissioner Fox.

**2. Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit and Local Coastal Development Permit request to upgrade an alcohol license from a Type 41 (beer and wine) to a Type 47 (beer, wine, and distilled spirits) at an existing restaurant located 4828 E. 2nd Street within the CNP Zone (District**

3) (Application No. 0901-10)

Derek Burnham introduced the item.

Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Craig Hoffman, applicant, spoke.

Jeff Miller, Secretary of Belmont Shore Residents' Association, spoke.

Mr. Miller responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Donald Dame, 183 St. Joseph Avenue, neighborhood resident, spoke.

Chair Saumur swore in late arriving members of the public wanting to speak.

Mike Ruehle, President of the Belmont Shore Residents' Association, spoke.

Mr. Ruehle responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Mr. Ruehle responded to queries from Commissioner Gentile.

Nancy Wride, 129 Pomona Avenue, neighborhood resident, spoke.

Harold Sturgeon, 183 St. Joseph Avenue, neighborhood resident, spoke.

Melinda Cotton, address on file, neighborhood resident, spoke.

Terry Enderson, Vice President of Belmont Shore Residents' Association, spoke.

Marvin Jones, neighborhood resident, spoke.

Jim Lazarus, member of the Belmont Shore Parking Committee, spoke.

Mr. Hoffman, responded to public comment.

Mr. Lazarus responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Mr. Hoffman responded to a query from Commissioner Gentile.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Melinda Cotton responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Marvin Jones responded to a query from the Commission.

Mr. Hoffman responded to a query from Chairman Saumur.

Karen Zieba, 2609 E. 1st Street, neighborhood resident, spoke.

Commissioner Durnin spoke.

Mr. Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Angie Zetterquist responded to queries from Commissioner Gentile.

Mr. Burnham responded to queries from Chair Saumur.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Mike Mais responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Van Horik, Mr. Mais and Mr. Hoffman regarding amending the suggested action.

**Motion:** Approve Conditional Use Permit and Local Coastal Development Permit request to upgrade an alcohol license from a Type 41 (beer and wine) to a Type 47 (beer, wine, and distilled spirits) at an existing restaurant located at 4828 E. 2nd Street within the CNP Zone.

Moved by Charles Durnin, seconded by Donita Van Horik.

**Vote:** Approve Conditional Use Permit and Local Coastal Development Permit request to upgrade an alcohol license from a Type 41 (beer and wine) to a Type 47 (beer, wine, and distilled spirits) at an existing restaurant located at 4828 E. 2nd Street within the CNP Zone. (Carried 6-0)

Yes: Phil Saumur, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik, Charles Durnin, Leslie Gentile, and Alan Fox.

Absent: Becky Blair.

3. Recommendation to receive and file the report from The Boeing Company and concur with staff's recommendation that they complied with the terms and conditions required under the Douglas Park Development Agreement, and fulfilled the requirements for the reporting period of January 2008 through December 2008 for the project located at 3855 Lakewood Boulevard. (Council District 5) (Application No. 0903-01)

Meredith Elguira, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Gene Wordell, applicant, spoke and gave a PowerPoint presentation.

**Motion:** Receive and file the report from The Boeing Company.  
Moved by Melani Smith, seconded by Donita Van Horik.

**Vote:** Receive and file the report from The Boeing Company. (Carried 6-0)

Yes: Leslie Gentile, Charles Durnin, Donita Van Horik, Alan Fox, Phil Saumur, and Melani Smith.

Absent: Becky Blair.

#### STUDY SESSION (6:39 PM)

Douglas Park mixed-use commercial business park located at 3855 Lakewood Boulevard. (Taken out of order)

Derek Burnham introduced the study session item.

Meredith Elguira presented the study session and gave a PowerPoint presentation.

Stephane Wandel, Boeing Company, spoke and gave a PowerPoint presentation.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Commissioner Durnin spoke.

Chair Saumur spoke.

Mr. Wandel responded to queries from Chair Saumur.

Mr. Wandel responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik

A dialogue ensued between Mr. Wandel and Commissioner Smith.

Mr. Wandel spoke.

5-story, 125-room hotel with ground floor retail at 290 Bay Street.

Derek Burnham introduced the Study Session.

Scott Kinsey, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Chris Gebert, Lodgeworks, gave a PowerPoint presentation for the item.

Jeff Krebel, project architect, presented additional information regarding the design of the hotel.

Mr. Krebel responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Mr. Krebel and Mr. Gebert responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Mr. Gebert and Mr. Krebel responded to queries from Commissioner Smith.

Mr. Krebel responded to queries from Commissioner Gentile.

Mr. Krebel responded to queries from Chair Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Gentile and Mr. Krebel.

Mr. Gebert responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Mr. Burnham summarized the concerns of the Commission.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Green building standards. (8:17 PM)

Derek Burnham introduced the study session item.

Mark Hungerford gave a brief presentation and PowerPoint presentation.



Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, gave a presentation and PowerPoint presentation.

Craig Beck responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

Mr. Rich responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Mr. Rich responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Mr. Rich and Mr. Beck responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

Karen Zieba, resident, spoke.

**COMMENTS FROM PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS (6:40 PM)**

There were no comments from the Planning Commission.

**ADJOURNMENT (6:40 PM)**

Chair Saumur adjourned the meeting at 8:39 pm.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING April 2, 2009**

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**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
PLANNING COMMISSION**



**THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2009  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 P.M.**

Phillip Saumur, Chair  
Melanie Smith, Vice Chair

Becky Blair, Member  
Donita Van Horik, Member  
Charles Durnin, Member  
Leslie Gentile, Member  
Alan Fox, Member

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## **FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Saumur called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

### **ROLL CALL (5:04 PM)**

#### **Roll Call (5:04 PM)**

Present: Phil Saumur; Melani Smith; Becky Blair; Charles Durnin; Leslie Gentile; Alan Fox.

Absent/Excused: Donita Van Horik.

Also present: Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer; Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer; Mike Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Jeff Winklepleck, Senior Planner; Mark Hungerford, Planner; Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator; Marcia Robertson, Clerk Typist

### **FLAG SALUTE (5:04 PM)**

Commissioner Durnin led the flag salute.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:05 PM)**

There was no Director's Report given.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:05 PM)**

Members of the public are invited to address the Planning Commission on items of interest to the public within the Commission's jurisdiction. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes unless that time is extended by the Chair.

**SWEARING OF WITNESSES** Do you solemnly swear or affirm that the evidence you shall give in this Planning Commission Meeting shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

**REGULAR AGENDA (5:06 PM)**

**1. Recommend that the City Council approve proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding Green Building Standards. (Citywide)**  
**(Application No. 0903-09) (5:06 PM)**

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, provided opening comments and introduced the item.

Mark Hungerford, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Larry Rich, Sustainability Coordinator, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Gentile and Mr. Rich.

Commissioner Durnin spoke.

Larry Rich spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Durnin and Mr. Rich.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Commissioner Durnin spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Durnin and Mr. Burnham.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Larry Rich spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Mr. Rich.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Derek Burnham spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Mr. Burnham.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Larry Rich responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Chairman Saumur spoke.

Derek Burnham spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Mr. Burnham.

Mike Mais spoke.

Chairman Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Larry Rich responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Mr. Rich.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Larry Rich spoke.

Chairman Saumur spoke.

**Motion:** Approve recommendation that the Planning Commission recommend that the City Council approve proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding Green Building Standards. Moved by Charles Durnin, seconded by Melani Smith.

**Vote:** Approve recommendation that the Planning Commission recommend that the City Council approve proposed amendments to

the Zoning Ordinance regarding Green Building Standards. (Carried 5-1)

Yes: Leslie Gentile, Charles Durnin, Alan Fox, Phil Saumur, and Melani Smith.

No: Becky Blair.

Absent: Donita Van Horik.

#### STUDY SESSION (5:47 PM)

Condominium conversion and new condominium construction at 1900 E. Ocean Boulevard.

Derek Burnham provided opening comments for the study session.

Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner, presented the staff report and gave a PowerPoint presentation.

Chairman Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Jeff Winklepleck responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Mr. Winklepleck.

Commissioner Durnin spoke.

Jeff Winklepleck responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Chair Saumur spoke.

Peter Zak, applicant, spoke.

Jeff Winklepleck spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Peter Zak responded to queries from Commissioner Smith.

Chairman Saumur spoke.

Peter Zak responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Commissioner Durnin spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Peter Zak spoke and gave a PowerPoint presentation.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Mr. Zak.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Chairman Saumur spoke.

Jeff Winklepleck spoke.

Chairman Saumur spoke.

#### COMMENTS FROM PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS (6:12 PM)

Jill Griffiths spoke.

Chairman Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Mr. Burnham.

Commissioner Durnin spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

#### ADJOURNMENT (6:17 PM)

At 6:17 p.m., Chair Saumur adjourned the meeting.

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**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
PLANNING COMMISSION**



**THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2009  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 P.M.**

Phillip Saumur, Chair  
Melanie Smith, Vice Chair

Becky Blair, Member  
Donita Van Horik, Member  
Charles Durnin, Member  
Leslie Gentile, Member  
Alan Fox, Member

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**FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER (5:07 PM)**

Chair Saumur called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

**ROLL CALL (5:07 PM)**

**Roll Call (5:09 PM)**

Present: Phil Saumur; Melani Smith; Becky Blair; Charles Durnin; Leslie Gentile; Alan Fox.

Absent/Excused: Donita Van Horik.

Also present: Craig Beck, Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer; Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Jeff Winklepleck, Senior Planner; Dale Wiersma, Building Bureau; Heidi Eidson, Minutes Clerk

**FLAG SALUTE (5:07 PM)**

Chair Saumur led the flag salute.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:08 PM)**

Craig Beck, Director of Development Services, presented the report.

Craig Beck responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

Craig Beck responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Mr. Beck.



Commissioner Durnin spoke.

Mr. Beck spoke.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:28 PM)**

There were no comments made at this time.

**SWEARING OF WITNESSES**

There was no swearing in of witnesses as there were no hearing items on this agenda.

**STUDY SESSION Development Services Center (5:28 PM)**

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, provided opening comments for the study session item regarding the Development Services Center.

Mr. Beck introduced Dale Wiersma from the Building Bureau.

Dale Wiersma, Building Bureau, presented the study session regarding the Development Services Center and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Chair Saumur spoke.

Mr. Wiersma responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Mr. Wiersma responded to queries from Commissioner Gentile.

Mr. Beck responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Mr. Wiersma responded to queries from Commissioner Blair.

Mr. Wiersma responded to a query from Chair Saumur .

Mr. Wiersma responded to queries from Commissioner Fox.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (6:01 PM)**

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, spoke.

Larry Goodhue, address on file, spoke regarding the Farmers Market and fencing issues at the Marine Stadium.

STUDY SESSION Cabe Toyota Freeway Sign (6:04 PM)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, provided opening comments for the study session item.

Jeff Winklepleck, Senior Planner, presented the study session item and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Dan Dudridge, applicant, spoke and provided financial information per a previous request from the Commission.

Mr. Dudridge responded to queries from Commissioner Gentile.

Mr. Dudridge responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Mr. Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Mr. Burnham and Mr. Dudridge responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Mr. Dudridge responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Mr. Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Durnin.

Mr. Mais responded to queries from Commissioner Durnin.

Mr. Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Chair Saumur spoke.

Mr. Dudridge spoke in response to Chair Saumur's remarks.

Mr. Burnham responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

Mr. Dudridge responded to query from Chair Saumur.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Chair Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Mr. Dudridge spoke.

Jack Smith, 2453 Golden Avenue, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Saumur and Mr. Dudridge.

Commissioner Durnin asked for guidelines regarding sign from staff.

Chair Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Chair Saumur spoke.

Mr. Mais spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Mr. Beck responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

**COMMENTS FROM PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS (7:04 PM)**

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Mr. Beck responded to Commissioner Gentile.

Chair Saumur spoke.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Saumur adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Next regular meeting: May 7, 2009 - 5:00 PM

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Phil Saumur, Chair  
Melani Smith, Vice-Chair



Becky Blair, Member  
Charles Durnin, Member  
Alan Fox, Member  
Leslie Gentile, Member  
Donita Van Horik, Member

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## CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Boardmembers Present:** Donita Van Horik, Becky Blair, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin and Melani Smith

**Boardmembers Absent:** Leslie Fernald Gentile and Phillip Joseph Saumur

Also present: Craig Beck, Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer; Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Jeff Winklepleck, Senior Planner; Lynette Ferenczy, Planner; Steven Valdez, Planner; Pat Garrow, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Minutes Clerk

## FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Blair led the flag salute.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Craig Beck, Director of Development Services, presented the Director's Report.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Members of the public are invited to address the Planning Commission on items of interest to the public within the Commission's jurisdiction. Each speaker will be limited to two minutes unless that time is extended by the Chair.

There was no public participation at this time.

## SWEARING OF WITNESSES

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Assistant City Attorney Michael Mais led potential witnesses in the Oath.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

1. 09-001PL Recommendation to approve a request to certify a Mitigated Negative Declaration and approve a Site Plan Review, Tentative Tract Map and Local Coastal Development Permit to reduce an existing apartment building from 266 units to 248 units by combining units, convert the units to condominiums and construct a new four-story, 18-unit condominium building with a 132 space subterranean garage at 1900-1910 E. Ocean Boulevard. (District 2) Application No. (0709-12)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner, presented the staff report, provided a PowerPoint presentation and discussed changes to the Conditions of Approval.

Mr. Winklepleck responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Mr. Winklepleck responded to queries from Vice Chair Smith.

Pete Zak, Vice President of Development at Lyon, applicant, spoke.

Thom Rowell, 1901 E. Ocean Boulevard, #111, spoke.

Alan Kinsel, 25 15th Place, spoke.

Richard Hess, Civil and Structural Engineer, representing Palacio del Mar Home Owners Association, spoke.

Vice Chair Smith spoke.

Maria Geesey, 1901 E. Ocean Boulevard, #201, spoke.

Roberto Curiel, 1745 E. Ocean Boulevard, #2, spoke.

Patricia Benoit, 4433 E. Barker Way, spoke.

Andramik Asayuryan, 1900 E. Ocean Boulevard, #1201, spoke.

Pete Zak, applicant, responded to some of the public's comments.

Craig Beck, Director of Development Services, spoke.

Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer, spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox, Craig Beck and Vice

Chair Smith.

Richard Hess, responded to queries from the Commission.

A dialogue ensued between Alan Kinsel, Commissioner Fox and Vice Chair Smith.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Van Horik, Vice Chair Smith and Derek Burnham.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Vice Chair Smith.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Vice Chair Smith.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Craig Beck responded to a query from Vice Chair Smith.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Durnin, seconded by Commissioner Van Horik, to certify a Mitigated Negative Declaration and approve a Site Plan Review, Tentative Tract Map and Local Coastal Development Permit to reduce an existing apartment building from 266 units to 248 units by combining units, convert the units to condominiums and construct a new four-story, 18-unit condominium building with a 132 space subterranean garage at 1900-1910 E. Ocean Boulevard. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Donita Van Horik, Becky Blair, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin and Melani Smith

**Absent:** 2 - Leslie Fernald Gentile and Phillip Joseph Saumur



2. 09-002PL Recommendation to respectfully request that the City Council amend the Rancho Estates Planned Development District (PD-11) and modify the district boundaries. (District 5) (Application No. 0904-02)

Vice Chair Smith recused herself and Commissioner Blair chaired the item.

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Lynette Ferenczy, Project Planner, presented the staff report and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to queries from Commissioner Fox.

June Freeman, 3246 Roxanne, spoke.

Doug Kramer, 7130 Premium Street, spoke.

Jerry Freeman, 3246 Roxanne, spoke.

Joe Sackett, 3115 Stevely, spoke.

Pat Bliss, 7215 E. Killdee, spoke.

Allison Benerret, 3322 Roxanne, spoke.

Angie Merrill, 3241 Lees, spoke.

Rochelle Kramer, 7130 Premium Street, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer, Pat Bliss and Commissioner Van Horik.

Craig Beck, Director of Development Services, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Derek Burnham and Commissioner Van Horik.

June Freeman, resident, responded further to Commissioner Van Horik's query regarding setbacks.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to a query from

Commissioner Durnin.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Commissioner Van Horik, to request that the City Council amend the Rancho Estates Planned Development District (PD-11) and modify the district boundaries. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 4 - Donita Van Horik, Becky Blair, Alan L. Fox and Charles Durnin

**Abstain:** 1 - Melani Smith

**Absent:** 2 - Leslie Fernald Gentile and Phillip Joseph Saumur

Phil Saumur, Chair  
Melani Smith, Vice-Chair



Becky Blair, Member  
Charles Durnin, Member  
Alan Fox, Member  
Leslie Gentile, Member  
Donita Van Horik, Member

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## CALL TO ORDER

Chair Saumur called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Boardmembers** Becky Blair, Alan L. Fox, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Phillip Joseph  
**Present:** Saumur and Melani Smith

**Boardmembers** Donita Van Horik and Charles Durnin  
**Absent:**

Also present: Craig Beck, Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer; Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner; Scott Kinsey, Project Planner; Ira Brown, Project Planner; Heidi Eidson, Minutes Clerk.

## FLAG SALUTE

Chair Saumur led the flag salute.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Craig Beck, Director of Development Services, presented the Director's Report.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Members of the public are invited to address the Planning Commission on items of interest to the public within the Commission's jurisdiction. Each speaker will be limited to two minutes unless that time is extended by the Chair.**

## SWEARING OF WITNESSES

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## REGULAR AGENDA

1. 09-005PL Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit to allow alcohol sales for off-premises consumption, Type 20 License (beer and wine only), in conjunction with a new convenience market and accessory juice bar located at 443 Pine Avenue within the PD-30 zone. (District 1)

(Application No. 0902-09)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Mr. Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Mr. Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Rob Katherman, 1218 El Prado Avenue, #128, Torrance, applicant's representative, spoke.

Javier Ortiz, applicant, spoke.

Mr. Ortiz responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

Kerry Gerot, President of Kress Loft Building HOA, 100 W. 5th Street, spoke.

Ms. Gerot responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Neysa Colizzi, 207 E. Broadway, Insurance Exchange Building HOA President, spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Blair, to approve a Conditional Use Permit to allow alcohol sales for off-premises consumption, Type 20 License (beer and wine only), in conjunction with a new convenience market and accessory juice bar located at 443 Pine Avenue within the PD-30 zone. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Becky Blair, Alan L. Fox, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Phillip Joseph Saumur and Melani Smith

**Absent:** 2 - Donita Van Horik and Charles Durnin

**STUDY SESSION**

2. 09-006PL Recommendation to hold a study session regarding Billboard Code Amendment (Citywide)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the Study Session item regarding the Billboard Code Amendment.

Scott Kinsey, Project Planner, presented the study session and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Craig Beck, Director of Development Services, responded to a query from Commissioner Gentile.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Mr. Beck responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Smith and Mr. Beck.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Mr. Burnham responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

Mr. Beck responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

Mr. Burnham responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Jeff Miller, address on file, spoke.

Larry Goodhue, address on file, spoke.

John Deats, 3600 Pacific Avenue, representing Los Cerritos Improvement Area, spoke.

Mr. Beck, responded to Mr. Deats comments.

Laurie Angel, 458 E. Platt, spoke.

Mr. Mais, responded to comments from Ms. Angel.

Jack Smith, 2400 Golden Avenue, spoke.

Jane Kelleher, address on file, spoke.

Pepper Russell, 1900 Atlantic, representing CPAC, spoke.

Layne Lawson, Clear Channel Outdoors, spoke.

Diane Sundstrom, 4507 E. Barker Way, spoke.

Mr. Beck responded to queries from Ms. Sundstrom.

Christy Moffitt, 5115 Wilshire Boulevard, Vista Media, spoke.

Michael Pauls, 203 Argonne, spoke.

Taren Olson, 1st and Grand, spoke.

Chair Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Mr. Mais responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Mr. Mais responded to a query from Commissioner Gentile.

A dialogue ensued between Mr. Mais, Mr. Burnham, Mr. Kinsey and Chair Saumur.

Mr. Mais responded to a query from Commissioner Gentile.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Chair Saumur spoke.

**There being no objection, Chair Saumur moved to receive and file.**

3. 09-007PL Recommendation to hold a study session regarding SEADIP

Craig Beck, Director of Development Services, introduced the Study Session item regarding SEADIP.

Ira Brown, Project Planner, presented the study session and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Mr. Beck spoke.

Mr. Brown responded to queries from Commissioner Gentile.

Mr. Brown responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

Mr. Beck elaborated on Mr. Brown's comments.

Mr. Brown responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Mr. Brown responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

Thomas Marchese, 6312 E. 5th Street, spoke.

Bill Orton, 5400 E. The Toledo, spoke.

Pat Towner, spoke.

Elizabeth Lam, Executive Director of Los Cerritos Wetlands Land Trust, spoke.

Sandy Van Horne, spoke.

Tarin Olson, spoke.

Larry Goodhue, spoke.

Jeff Miller, spoke.

Mr. Beck responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Mr. Beck responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

There being no objection, Chair Saumur moved to receive and file.

**COMMENTS FROM PLANNING COMMISSION**

Chair Saumur spoke.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney responded to a query from Chair Saumur.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Saumur adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Next regular meeting of the Planning Commission - June 4, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.



MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA  
MAY 21, 2009

The Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Long Beach met in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 1800 E. Wardlow Road, Long Beach, California, on May 21, 2009.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Allen.

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| PRESENT: | John Allen          | Commissioner  |
|          | Frank Clarke        | Commissioner  |
|          | Suzanne Dallman     | Commissioner  |
|          | Charles Parkin      | Principal Deputy City Attorney                          |
|          | Kevin L. Wattier    | General Manager   |
|          | Sandra L. Fox       | Secretary to the Board of Water Commissioners           |
|          | B. Anatole Falagan  | Deputy General Manager – Business                       |
|          | Ryan J. Alsop       | Director, Government & Public Affairs                   |
|          | Isaac Pai           | Director of Engineering                                 |
|          | Eric Leung          | Director of Water Resources                             |
|          | Paul T. Fujita      | Director of Finance                                     |
|          | Melissa L. Keyes    | Administrative Analyst III/Special Projects Coordinator |
|          | Greg Sorensen       | Administrative Analyst III                              |
|          | Matt Veeh           | Management Assistant                                    |
|          | Greg Sorensen       | Administrative Analyst III                              |
|          | Dynna Long          | Office Administrator                                    |
|          | Bob Bryant          | Long Beach Constituent                                  |
|          | Paul Eakins         | Press Telegram  |
|          | William Pearl       | LBReport.com  |
| ABSENT:  | Paul Blanco         | Commissioner (EXCUSED)                                  |
|          | William B. Townsend | Commissioner (EXCUSED)                                  |

## 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dynna Long led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Allen opened the public comment period.

Mr. Bob Bryant spoke regarding the difficult issue of utility meter readings occurring every other month. He noted this is an issue reported to him by other constituents as well.

President Allen advised that he too shares their concerns for bi-monthly billing.

As there were no additional requests to address the Board on non-agenda items, the public comment period was closed.

### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

April 23, 2009 & May 7, 2009

Upon motion by Commissioner Dallman, seconded by Commissioner Clarke and unanimously carried, the minutes of the meetings of April 23, 2009 and May 7, 2009 were unanimously approved.

### **4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- **John D. S. Allen, President, Board of Water Commissioners**

President Allen reported on Commissioner absences for the May 21, 2009 board meeting. He reported that Commissioner Townsend's father had passed away, and that he did not have any information regarding services. He also noted Commissioner Blanco was absent due to a family event conflict.

**NOTE: AGENDA ITEM 6 WAS TAKEN OUT OF ORDER AT THIS POINT IN THE MEETING**

### **6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT Kevin L. Wattier, General Manager**

STATE WATER PROJECT ALLOCATION INCREASE

Mr. Wattier reported the Department of Water Resources had increased the State water project allocation from 30% to 40%. He noted that Metropolitan Water District (MWD) would still continue their Allocation Plan storage level of 10%. He further advised that storage reserves would not be used as extensively as originally planned.

GROUNDWATER STORAGE FRAMEWORK

Mr. Wattier reported that the cities of Downey, Cerritos and Signal Hill had filed a petition against the moving parties regarding the recently filed Groundwater Judgment Amendment. He noted attorneys are working on a defense strategy.

Commissioner Clarke requested an update on the current water supply situation.

Mr. Wattier provided a briefing on how the drought and environmental restrictions are affecting the Southern California water reserves. He also noted reductions in MWD's supplies that would become permanent reductions, stressing the need for conservation as a means to adjust to the new realities.

Mr. Wattier reported that Long Beach per capita water consumption is the lowest since 1945.

There was general discussion regarding the water supply issues.

**NOTE: AGENDA ITEM 5 WAS TAKEN OUT OF ORDER AT THIS POINT IN THE MEETING**

**5. REVIEW BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 2009**

- John D. S. Allen, President, Board of Water Commissioners

The Board discussed the proposed meeting schedule for the month of June 2009.

President Allen advised that due to a work related event he would probably be late to the June 18, 2009 meeting.

The Board agreed to the following meeting schedule:

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| June 4, 2009  | Regular Meeting – 9:15 A.M. |
| June 18, 2009 | Regular Meeting – 7:00 P.M. |

**NOTE: AGENDA ITEM 6 WAS CONSIDERED EARLIER IN THE MEETING**

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

It was moved by Commissioner Dallman and seconded by Commissioner Clarke to approve Consent Calendar item 7a.

President Allen called for the question and a vote. Consent Calendar item 7a. was unanimously approved.

**7a. Approval of Transfer of Funds by Journal Entry Dated May 21, 2009**

A communication was presented to the Board from Paul Fujita, which is on file at the Long Beach Water Department.

**8. Authorize temporary reduction in General Manager's salary rate of 5.56% beginning May 23, 2009 through September 25, 2009**

- B. Anatole Falagan, Deputy General Manager - Business

Mr. Falagan provided a briefing regarding this agenda item.

It was moved by Commissioner Clarke and seconded by Commissioner Dallman to Authorize a temporary reduction in the General Manager's salary rate of 5.56% beginning May 23, 2009 through September 25, 2009.

President Allen called for public comment regarding Agenda item 8. Hearing none, President Allen called for a vote. The motion carried unanimously.

**9. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES/ACTIONS/BILLS**

• **Ryan J. Alsop, Director, Government & Public Affairs**

Mr. Alsop provided the following report:

- Reported on California election fallout/defeat of budget propositions.
- He noted the Governor may revise the budget to fill the \$21.2 billion gap.
- He reported spot bills are being moved to enable May revisions to budget.
- He advised major state budget cuts were anticipated.
- He reported on the President's Budget and noted that LBWD was scheduled to receive \$700,000 for the desalination project, and \$1.4 million for the recycled water project.

President Allen complimented staff on the new 90H<sub>2</sub>O water conservation flyer. Mr. Alsop thanked and complimented Matt Veeh, Management Assistant, and Melissa Keyes, Administrative Analyst III/Special Projects Coordinator, for their assistance in developing and designing this new informative flyer that will be replacing the previous utility bill stuffer, *The Wave*.

**10. REPORT OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT (MWD) BOARD MEETING ON MAY 12, 2009**

• **Kevin L. Wattier, General Manager**

Mr. Wattier provided the report in the absence of Suja Lowenthal, Metropolitan Water District Director.

Mr. Wattier provided a summary of the action taken at the MWD May 12, 2009 board meeting which included: 1) MWD Board adopted policy principles that MWD will use in addressing water use efficiency legislation designed to achieve a 20 percent reduction in water use by 2020; 2) The Board installed a new director, David W. Fleming, representing the City of Los Angeles; 3) The MWD board approved committee assignments made by Chairman Brick. It was noted that Long Beach MWD Director, Suja Lowenthal was appointed to the Special Committee on Desalination and Recycling.

**11. Revenue, Rates and Budget Overview**

• **B. Anatole Falagan, Deputy General Manager – Business**

Mr. Falagan provided a briefing on the FY 2009-2010 proposed budget and rates as follows: 1) Reviewed status of key components which included Water Replenishment District Replenishment fee increase of 18.9%; Federal Grants – LBWD expects stimulus funds or Federal appropriations; State Grants – assume continued freeze on these funds; Labor costs – FY 09 furlough and potential FY 10 reductions (he noted labor is less than 25% of the total department budget); Utility Billing System –

assume vendor financing will be used; 2) Reviewed cast iron main replacement program and the impacts of potential program reductions; 3) Reviewed significant factors affecting Water and Sewer Funds and noted budget control efforts; 4) Reviewed proposed expenditures for FY 10 for the Water and Sewer Funds; 5) Reviewed number of full time employees (218) and personal services costs which included labor and benefit costs; 6) Reviewed city services charges (billing and collections; city overhead; insurance; tech services; financial systems) for both Water and Sewer funds; 7) Noted Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the Water and Sewer Programs; 8) Reviewed revenue budgets for Water and Sewer Funds.

Commissioner Clarke inquired about earthquake damage to any water facilities/infrastructure from the recent earthquakes. Mr. Wattier reported no damage was reported.

President Allen called for public comment on Agenda item 11.

Mr. Bryant spoke regarding possibility of using reclaimed water for household use and fire hydrants.

Mr. Wattier responded that retrofitting households for reclaimed water use would be very cost prohibitive. He noted that fire hydrants must currently use potable water.

Mr. Wattier also reported that LBWD is attempting to get the LADWP to convert to recycled water for their repowering use at the Haynes power plant.

President Allen closed the public comment period, and called for Board member comments.

Commissioners Clarke and Dallman commented that the budget and rate presentation was thorough and well presented. Mr. Falagan thanked Paul Fujita, Director of Finance, and Greg Sorensen, Administrative Analyst III, for their assistance in compiling data and preparing the presentation.

## **12. Full Scale Seawater Desalination Plant Feasibility Study**

- **Eric Leung, Director, Water Resources**

Mr. Leung provided a briefing regarding the plans for a full scale seawater desalination plant feasibility study. He outlined a phased approach as follows:

- Phase I: Fatal flaw analysis
  - All sites
  - Narrow down to three potential sites
  - Customize plant size to fit potential sites
  - Preliminary costs estimates
- Cost for this study - \$500,000
- Timeframe – one year

- Phase II: Site selection
  - In-depth review of the potential sites from phase I
  - Preliminary permit applications and EIR
  - Project financing and schedule
- Cost for this phase - \$500,000
- Timeframe – six to nine months

President Allen commented that the schedule is to have a plant online by 2015. Staff responded that was correct, and noted the Metropolitan Water District rebate was based on this timeframe.

There was general discussion regarding the feasibility of potential sites.

Commissioner Clarke advised he would like to see a comparison between the potential LBWD desalination plant and the one slated for siting in Carlsbad by Poseidon.

The Board directed staff to move forward with a study for a full scale desalination plant. Mr. Wattier noted that staff would revise the proposed FY 10 budget to reflect the funding for this study.

### **13. NEW BUSINESS**

President Allen requested a motion be made to excuse Commissioner Blanco and Commissioner Townsend from the May 21, 2009 meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Clarke, seconded by Commissioner Dallman, and unanimously approved to excuse Commissioner Blanco and Commissioner Townsend from the May 21, 2009 board meeting.

### **14. CLOSED SESSION CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9 of the California Government Code) City of Long Beach vs. The Olson Company, Case Number NC051405**

President Allen called for public comment regarding the closed session topic. Hearing none he adjourned the Board to the closed session.

The Board adjourned to the closed session at 8:40 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 8:54 p.m.

President Allen reported that the Board had agreed in closed session to accept the \$400,000 settlement offer from the Olson Company to settle Long Beach Superior Court Case No. NC051405.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Allen adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m. to the next regular meeting of the Water Commission to be held June 4, 2009, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 1800 E. Wardlow, in Long Beach, California.

  
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Frank Clarke, Secretary

Attest:

  
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John D. S. Allen President

MINUTES  
 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
 LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA  
 JUNE 4, 2009

The Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Long Beach met in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 1800 E. Wardlow Road, Long Beach, California, on June 4, 2009.

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by President Allen.

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| PRESENT: | John Allen          | Commissioner   |
|          | Paul Blanco         | Commissioner   |
|          | Frank Clarke        | Commissioner   |
|          | Suzanne Dallman     | Commissioner   |
|          | William B. Townsend | Commissioner   |
|          | Charles Parkin      | Principal Deputy City Attorney                             |
|          | Kevin L. Wattier    | General Manager  |
|          | Sandra L. Fox       | Secretary to the Board of Water<br>Commissioners           |
|          | Robert C. Cheng     | Deputy General Manager – Operations                        |
|          | B. Anatole Falagan  | Deputy General Manager – Business                          |
|          | Ryan J. Alsop       | Director, Government & Public Affairs                      |
|          | Matthew P. Lyons    | Director, Planning & Conservation                          |
|          | Isaac C. Pai        | Director of Engineering                                    |
|          | Eric Leung          | Director of Water Resources                                |
|          | Robert Verceles     | Division Engineer  |
|          | Melissa L. Keyes    | Administrative Analyst III/Special Projects<br>Coordinator |
|          | Dynna Long          | Office Administrator                                       |
|          | Greg Sorensen       | Administrative Analyst III                                 |

ABSENT: NONE

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

William Townsend led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

May 21, 2009

Upon motion by Commissioner Blanco, seconded by Commissioner Townsend the minutes of the Meeting of May 21, 2009 were unanimously approved.



### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Allen opened the public comment period. As there were no requests to address the Board on non-agenda items, the public comment period was closed.

### **4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- **John D. S. Allen, President, Board of Water Commissioners**

President Allen reported that he had attended the Newcomb Academy landscape improvement celebration on Saturday, May 23, 2009. He advised that the Long Beach Water Department had been recognized for their assistance with their landscape improvement project through a \$5,000 Beautiful Long Beach grant that enabled them to plant California native plants in their conservation garden.

President Allen advised that he had signed documents related to the Sewer Commercial Paper program that was scheduled to close on June 11, 2009.

### **5. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT** **Kevin L. Wattier, General Manager**

#### MAY WATER CONSERVATION UPDATE

Mr. Wattier provided an update on the May water conservation data. He reported this was the thirteenth monthly record for water conservation, with a 15-1/2 – 16% water reduction on an annual basis.

#### CITY COUNCIL ACTION RELATED TO SENIOR SEWER REVENUE COMMERCIAL PAPER NOTES

Mr. Wattier reported that on June 2, 2009, the City Council had ratified the Board's previous approval for the Issuance and Sale of City of Long Beach, California Senior Sewer Revenue Commercial Paper Notes, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000.

#### SALMON BIOLOGICAL OPINION UPDATE

Mr. Wattier advised that the salmon biological opinion was expected to be released today. He reported it was originally scheduled for release on June 2, 2009, but had been delayed. He noted this opinion was expected to place additional restrictions on water pumping from the Sacramento Bay Delta. He advised the Board he would e-mail them when this information was available.

## 6. CONSENT CALENDAR

President Allen requested a motion to approve Consent Calendar item 6a.

It was moved by Commissioner Townsend and seconded by Commissioner Blanco to approve Consent Calendar item 6a.

President Allen called for the question and a vote. The Consent Calendar item was unanimously approved.

- 6a. **Authorize the General Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Long Beach Airport (LGB) of the City of Long Beach to abandon approximately 1,600 linear feet (LF) of existing sewer line, construct approximately 1,560 LF of new sewer line, and install a trash removal system at the Long Beach Water Department's (LBWD) S-27 sewer lift station, for the LGB Terminal Area Improvement Plan**

A communication was presented to the Board from Isaac Pai, which is on file at the Long Beach Water Department.

7. **Adopt Resolution No. WD-1256, A Resolution of the Board of Water Commissioners Adopting the Annual Budget for Long Beach Water Department for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 and Authorize Staff to Transmit the Resolution and the Budget to the City Manager, Mayor and City Council**
- **Kevin L. Wattier, General Manager**

Mr. Falagan provided a briefing on the Long Beach Water Department annual budget for FY 10. He reviewed budget revisions that had been made from previous budget workshops.

He reported to the Board that final fringe benefit rates and city support charges would not become available until after the Board adopted the budget. He noted that the LBWD budget resolution included language to grant the General Manager authority to adjust the budget; not to exceed 5% of total fringe and city support charges. He noted if the adjustment was beyond 5% this would require additional Board approval.

There was a brief discussion related to potable water sales. President Allen asked if budget and rate briefings were being scheduled with the Mayor and City Council. Mr. Wattier advised that as in past years, staff would be scheduling budget and rate briefings with the Mayor and City Council for late July/early August that usually included the Board President and Vice President.

President Allen thanked staff for their hard work on preparing the budget. He noted that several budget study sessions had been held over the past three months. He noted the presentation had been informative and very helpful. President Allen also advised that it had been a difficult budget to prepare in light of recent increases from the Metropolitan Water District for imported water; the Water Replenishment District for an increased RA, and increased chemical costs which had resulted in unwelcome, but necessary rate increases to allow the Water Department to continue to provide clean, fresh water, and safe processing of sewage waste.

It was moved by Commissioner Blanco and seconded by Commissioner Townsend to Adopt Resolution No. WD-1256, A Resolution of the Board of Water Commissioners Adopting the Annual Budget for Long Beach Water Department for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 and Authorize Staff to Transmit the Resolution and the Budget to the City Manager, Mayor and City Council.

President Allen called for a Roll Call vote.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

|          |                |                                    |
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| AYES:    | COMMISSIONERS: | <u>PAUL BLANCO, FRANK CLARKE</u>   |
|          |                | <u>WILLIAM TOWNSEND,</u>           |
|          |                | <u>SUZANNE DALLMAN, JOHN ALLEN</u> |
| NOES:    | COMMISSIONERS: | <u>NONE</u>                        |
| ABSENT:  | COMMISSIONERS: | <u>NONE</u>                        |
| ABSTAIN: | COMMISSIONERS: | <u>NONE</u>                        |

The motion carried unanimously.

- 8. Adopt Resolution WD-1257, A Resolution of the Board of Water Commissioners Fixing Rates and Charges for Water and Sewer Services to All Customers, Subject to the Approval of the City Council by Ordinance**
- **Kevin L. Wattier, General Manager**

Mr. Falagan provided a briefing on Long Beach Water Department rates and charges for FY 10. This briefing included: 1) Overview of expenditures and revenues; 2) Rate recommendations and effects by customer type, for potable water, reclaimed water and sewer service, and the daily service charge.

Mr. Falagan pointed out that rate resolution WD-1257 included a reference to the Water Conservation and Water Supply Shortage Plan (Resolution WD-1232) that the Board adopted on November 3, 2005. He pointed out this resolution gives the Board the ability to declare a Stage 1, Stage 2 or Stage 3 water supply shortage. He noted as a result the Board may increase water rates accordingly if that plan were implemented. He also reviewed Water Supply Shortage Rate increases.

Mr. Falagan reported that after the budget and rate adoptions, staff would be scheduling Mayor and City Council briefings; communications regarding the rate increases would be published in the Press Telegram and other local publications; and the Public Notice for the August 27<sup>th</sup> Prop 218 rate public hearing would be mailed out to the ratepayers.

Commissioner Dallman inquired how rates had been set for the different tiers. Mr. Falagan responded that the rate increase had been applied evenly for all tiers.

It was moved by Commissioner Blanco and seconded by Commissioner Dallman to Adopt Resolution WD-1257, A Resolution of the Board of Water Commissioners Fixing Rates and Charges for Water and Sewer Services to All Customers, Subject to the Approval of the City Council by Ordinance.

President Allen called for a Roll Call vote.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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| AYES:    | COMMISSIONERS: | <u>PAUL BLANCO, FRANK CLARKE</u>   |
|          |                | <u>WILLIAM TOWNSEND,</u>           |
|          |                | <u>SUZANNE DALLMAN, JOHN ALLEN</u> |
| NOES:    | COMMISSIONERS: | <u>NONE</u>                        |
| ABSENT:  | COMMISSIONERS: | <u>NONE</u>                        |
| ABSTAIN: | COMMISSIONERS: | <u>NONE</u>                        |

The motion carried unanimously.

## 9. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES/ACTIONS/BILLS

- **Ryan J. Alsop, Director, Government & Public Affairs**

Mr. Alsop advised that staff would be preparing the ratepayer notification of the Prop 218 hearing scheduled for August 27, 2009, to educate the public regarding the proposed rate increase. He advised staff would include the Board's sentiment regarding the budget and rates in outreach materials.

Mr. Alsop reported that Congressman Pete Visclosky had stepped down from the Chairmanship of the Energy and Water Development Subcommittee following a series of subpoenas issued to his office and certain employees recently involving his ties to a now-defunct defense lobbying firm under federal investigation. He noted Visclosky will hand over the gavel on the Energy and Water Development Subcommittee to Arizona Democratic Rep. Ed Pastor.

Mr. Alsop provided an overview of recent conservation advertising pieces, and noted the recent billboards that had been installed at the beginning and end of the commercial corridor on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in the Belmont Shore area. He advised the first billboard was the picture of the historical high/low water levels at the Oroville reservoir. He advised as drivers exited the corridor (eastern end of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street) there was a companion billboard that reads "Don't Ignore It". He advised these billboards would be up through the 2009 summer months.

## **10. NEW BUSINESS**

President Allen reminded the Board members that he would be arriving late for the June 18, 2009 meeting due to a scheduling conflict with his job. He reported he had asked Vice President Blanco to chair this meeting.

President Allen requested that staff agendaize an action item on the June 18<sup>th</sup> board agenda authorizing staff to conduct a study for fatal-flaw assessment of sites for development of a full-scale seawater desalination plant.

Mr. Wattier reported that he would be absent from the June 18<sup>th</sup> board meeting as he would be serving on an interview panel that evening for the Gateway Region in his capacity as Chair of the Los Angeles Region Integrated Regional Water Management JPA.

## **11. CLOSED SESSION**

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9 of the California Government Code)  
Central and West Basin Water Replenishment District, etc. vs. Charles E. Adams, et al. (Case No. C786656);**

**City of Cerritos; City of Downey and City of Signal Hill vs. Water Replenishment District of Southern California; City of Huntington Park; City of Lakewood; City of Long Beach; Long Beach Water Department; City of Los Angeles; City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power; City of Vernon; City of Compton; and Does 1 through 20, inclusive. (Case No. BS120643)**

President Allen called for public comment regarding the closed session topic. Hearing none he adjourned the Board to the closed session.

The Board adjourned to the closed session at 9:55 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:15 a.m.


President Allen advised he had nothing to report from the closed session.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Allen adjourned the meeting at 10:16 a.m. to the next meeting of the Water Commission to be held June 18, 2009, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 1800 E. Wardlow, in Long Beach, California.

  
Frank Clarke, Secretary

Attest:

  
John D. S. Allen, President