

Becky Blair, Chair
Alan Fox, Vice Chair



Molly Campbell, Commissioner
Mark Christoffels, Commissioner
Phil Saumur, Commissioner
Melani Smith, Commissioner
Donita Van Horik, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:05 PM)

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At 5:05 p.m., Vice Chair Fox called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:05 PM)

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Commissioners Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Donita Van
Present: Horik and Mark Christoffels

Commissioners Becky Blair and Molly Campbell
Absent:

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator; Jill Griffiths, Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Robert Zur Schmiede, Deputy Director of Development; Steven Valdez, Planner; Mark Hungerford, Planner; Ira Brown, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE (5:06 PM)

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Commissioner Van Horik led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:07 PM)

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[13-050PL](#)

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of August 15, 2013.

A motion was made by Commissioner Van Horik, seconded by Commissioner Christoffels, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Donita Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Abstain: 1 - Melani Smith

Absent: 2 - Becky Blair and Molly Campbell

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:08 PM)

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Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, provided the Director's Report.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:09 PM)

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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.

CONTINUED ITEM (5:09 PM)

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1. [13-037PL](#) Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and Categorical Exemption (CE) to convert an existing office building into a self-storage building at 1700 Santa Fe Avenue, in conjunction with the demolition of an existing two-story office building located at 1724 Santa Fe Avenue located in the General Industrial (IG) zone. (District 1) (Application No. 1210-06)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Steven Valdez, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Steven Valdez responded to queries from Commissioner Christoffels.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Vice Chair Fox spoke.

Paul Collins, project architect, spoke.

Gerardo Licciardi, property owner, spoke.

Gerardo Licciardi responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Gerardo Licciardi responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Smith, Gerardo Licciardi and Paul Collins.

Gerardo Licciardi responded to queries from Vice Chair Fox.

A motion was made by Commissioner Saumur, seconded by Commissioner Van Horik, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Absent: 2 - Becky Blair and Molly Campbell

REGULAR AGENDA (5:27 PM)

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2. [13-052 PL](#)

Recommendation to receive and file the report from The Boeing Company and concur with staff's finding that they have complied with the terms and conditions required under the Douglas Park Development Agreement, and fulfilled the requirements for the reporting period of January 2012 through December 2012. (District 5) (Application No. 1303-07)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, presented the staff report.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, responded to a query from Commissioner Christoffels.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Amy Bodek spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Christoffels, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Absent: 2 - Becky Blair and Molly Campbell

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3. [13-051 PL](#) Recommendation to approve the Resolution certifying the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR), making certain findings and adopting a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, for the restoration of a one-story single-family dwelling at 2810 East 1st Street, within the Bluff Park Historic District. (District 3) (Environmental Application No. 01-13)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, presented the staff report.

Mark Hungerford, Project Planner, spoke.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Vice Chair Fox.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Saumur, seconded by Commissioner Van Horik, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Absent: 2 - Becky Blair and Molly Campbell

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4. [13-053PL](#) Recommendation to certify the East Division Police Substation Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND 02-13), recommend the City Council adopt an Ordinance changing the zoning at 3800 Willow Street from Two-Family Residential (R-2-N) to Institutional (I), and approve the Site Plan Review for the renovation of the Schroeder Hall U.S. Army Reserve Center to serve as the Long Beach East Division Police Department Substation. (District 5) (Application No. 1305-04)

Commissioner Smith recused herself from the item.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, introduced Ira Brown, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Jill Griffiths, Planning Officer, spoke.

Ira Brown spoke.

Vice Chair Fox spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Amy Bodek responded to queries from Commissioner Christoffels.

Ira Brown responded to a query from Commissioner Christoffels.

Amy Bodek and Ira Brown responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Alan Burkes, project architect, spoke.

Alan Burkes responded to a query from Vice Chair Fox.

Amy Bodek introduced Juan Lopez-Rios of the Public Works Asset Management Bureau, who provided additional information about the project.

Vice Chair Fox swore in a member of the audience wishing to provide public comment.

Kurt Cheraper provided public comment.

Jill Griffiths and Ira Brown responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Jill Griffiths responded to a query from Vice Chair Fox.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Amy Bodek spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to query from Commissioner Saumur.

A motion was made by Commissioner Van Horik, seconded by Commissioner Christoffels, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Donita Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Excused: 1 - Melani Smith

Absent: 2 - Becky Blair and Molly Campbell

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5. [13-054PL](#)

Recommendation to receive supporting documentation into the record, conclude the hearing, recommend that the City Council adopt amendments to the Zoning Ordinance related to mortuaries, crematoriums, and cemeteries; and accept Categorical Exemption (CE 13-070). (Citywide) (Application No. 1307-13)

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, introduced Robert Zur Schmiede, Deputy Director of Development, who presented the staff report.

Vice Chair Fox spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Robert Zur Schmiede responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Vice Chair Fox spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Vice Chair Fox.

Gregory Bradley, representing Stricklin Snively, provided public comment.

Joey Vannoni provided public comment.

Joey Vannoni responded to a query from Vice Chair Fox.

Amy Bodek spoke.

Jonathan Polk, Belmont Heights Funeral Center, provided public comment.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Christoffels and Amy Bodek.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Van Horik and Robert Zur Schmiede.

Vice Chair Fox spoke.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Christoffels, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Absent: 2 - Becky Blair and Molly Campbell

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (6:36 PM)

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There were no comments from the public.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (6:37 PM)

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Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

ADJOURNMENT (6:39 PM)

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At 6:39 p.m., Vice Chair Fox adjourned the meeting.

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