

Becky Blair, Chair  
Alan Fox, Vice Chair



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

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## FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER (5:08 PM)

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At 5:08 p.m., Chair Blair called the meeting to order.

### ROLL CALL (5:08 PM)

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**Commissioners** Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Becky Blair, Mark Christoffels  
**Present:** and Molly Campbell

**Commissioners** Melani Smith and Donita Van Horik  
**Absent:**

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator; Jill Griffiths, Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Mark Hungerford, Planner; Scott Kinsey, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

### FLAG SALUTE (5:09 PM)

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Commissioner Christoffels led the flag salute.

### MINUTES (5:09 PM)

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[13-014PL](#)

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of March 7, 2013.

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

**Yes:** 5 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Becky Blair, Mark Christoffels and Molly Campbell

**Absent:** 2 - Melani Smith and Donita Van Horik

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:10 PM)**

[see media](#)

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

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Chair Blair.

### **SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:11 PM)**

[see media](#)

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 (5:11 PM)**

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1. [13-015PL](#) Recommendation to approve a Site Plan Review for a new 24,500-square-foot North Branch Library and recommend that the City Council approve a Zoning Map Amendment to convert a series of vacant parcels at the project site from Two-Family Residential (R-2-N) to Neighborhood Commercial Automobile-Oriented (CNA) and a Zoning Text Amendment to permit public library uses in all commercial zoning districts. (District 9: North Branch Library; Zoning Map Amendment) (Citywide: Zoning Text Amendment) (Application No. 1205-11)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Mark Hungerford, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Christoffels.

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

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Chair Blair.

Laurie Angel, former Chair of North PAC, provided public comment.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Laurie Angel.

Mark Hungerford responded to a query from Laurie Angel.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Chair Blair.

Margaret Durnin, Chair of the Endowment Committee for the Long Beach Public Library Foundation, provided public comment.

Chair Blair spoke.

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

**Yes:** 5 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Becky Blair, Mark Christoffels and Molly Campbell

**Absent:** 2 - Melani Smith and Donita Van Horik

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2. [13-016PL](#)

Recommendation to receive the proposed zoning amendments regarding updates to the City's regulation of emergency shelters to effect compliance with state law SB2 and the 2008-2014 Housing Element, and recommend that the City Council adopt said amendments into ordinance. (Citywide) (Application No. 1302-20)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Scott Kinsey, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

A discussion ensued between Commissioner Christoffels and Derek Burnham.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Derek Burnham.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Campbell.

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

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Chair Blair.

Amy Bodek responded to queries from Chair Blair.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Amy Bodek.

Sandra Krall, Board Member of Housing Long Beach, provided public comment.

Janine Pearce, Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy, provided public comment.

Susanne Browne, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles, provided public comment.

Angelo Logan, East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice, provided public comment.

Gary Shelton, Long Beach Area Coalition for the Homeless, provided public comment.

Amy Bodek and Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to a query from Chair Blair.

Karrie Gallagher, Executive Director of Housing Long Beach, provided public comment.

Shirley Broussard, Senior Consultant and Senior Pastor for SWARM Group, provided public comment.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Campbell.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Campbell and Michael Mais.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Chair Blair.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Christoffels, seconded by Commissioner Campbell, to approve the recommendation.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Chair Blair spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Michael Mais.

Chair Blair spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Michael Mais spoke.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Commissioner Campbell.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Campbell and Derek Burnham.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Chair Blair spoke.

Commissioner Campbell spoke.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Chair Blair.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Chair Blair spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

A dialogue ensued between the Commission and staff.

A dialogue ensued between Amy Bodek and Commissioner Fox.

Commissioner Campbell spoke.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Chair Blair spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Chair Blair.

A dialogue ensued between the Commission and staff.

Commissioners Christoffels and Campbell accepted the amendment to their motion.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Chair Blair spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Christoffels, seconded by Commissioner Campbell, to approve the recommendation with an amendment directing staff to look at additional locations to consider as by right zoning for homeless shelters to be included when the Housing Element 5 Update comes back before the Planning Commission for consideration. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Becky Blair, Mark Christoffels and Molly Campbell

**Absent:** 2 - Melani Smith and Donita Van Horik

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (6:40 PM)**

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Shirley Broussard provided public comment.

Gary Shelton provided public comment.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (6:46 PM)**

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Chair Blair spoke.

**ADJOURNMENT (6:48 PM)**

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At 6:48 p.m., Chair Blair adjourned the meeting.

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