

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH WITH THE BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF LONG BEACH CITY HALL, 333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD, LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2006, AT 1 P.M.

Present: Commissioners: Topsy-Elvord, Walter, Hancock, Cordero, Hankla
Absent: " None

Also present:

R. D. Steinke	Executive Director
G. T. Hein	Executive Officer to the Board
R. G. Kanter	Director of Planning
D. T. Holzhaus	Principal Deputy City Attorney

PRESIDENT HANKLA PRESIDED AS CHAIRPERSON.

ROLL CALL.

All Commissioners were present.

MAYORS' REMARKS.

The Board of Harbor Commissioner received comments from Mayor Bob Foster, City of Long Beach.

The Board of Harbor Commissioners received comments from Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, City of Los Angeles.

SAN PEDRO BAY PORTS CLEAN AIR ACTION PLAN OVERVIEW.

Dr. Kanter gave an overview of the San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

The Board of Harbor Commissioners received comments from the public and public officials regarding the San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan.

Commissioner Topsy-Elvord stated that this is a living document and the elements of this plan will come to the Harbor Commission during the next five years with the opportunity for the public to continue to comment and contribute.

Commissioner Topsy-Elvord left the meeting.

Commissioner Walter stated one of the most spectacular achievements of this plan is how it has brought so many people together to work out a groundbreaking plan for improving our environment and it is a historical event with the two ports cooperating. In addition, he stated we have support from many sectors of the business community, participation from the EPA, CARB, and AQMD, as well as our City Council members who support the ports' environmental direction.

Commissioner Walter left the meeting.

Commissioner Hancock stated that this plan will provide the framework for improving air quality, reducing health risks, while providing us with a key to meeting trade demands. Additionally, he stated the ports support more than 500,000 jobs in Southern California and with the adoption of the Clean Air Action Plan, we can retain those jobs while cleaning up the environment, we can move forward with projects to modernize our terminals, and negotiate leases with environmental covenants, which will allow us to implement the measures in the Clean Air Action Plan.

Commissioner Cordero stated this is a monumental plan and the most progressive environmental document ever developed in the history of world seaports and we are setting the standard for the world.

Additionally, Commissioner Cordero stated this plan gives us a way to start addressing the older, dirtier trucks to improve the environment using cleaner fuels, hybrid engines, and other low-polluting technologies.

President Hankla and his Los Angeles counterpart, President Freeman, then made the following statements and suggested amendments:

First, we agree with the demand of many of those who commented on the Plan that there must be measurable goals so the public can have a yardstick to measure progress. So, we propose that we commit to a goal of reducing particulate emissions in 2008 by at least 15% from what it would be without the plan, ratcheting up each year to at least a 45% reduction in 2011.

Second, we think we need to recognize that ultrafine particles are probably the most damaging of the fossil-fuel related air pollutants to human health. Accordingly, we propose that the staffs of the two Ports be directed to work with the USC Research Group on Ultrafine Particles to present the results and suggested next steps to the two commissions no later than July 1, 2007. In addition, our new Technology Advancement Program must include ways to eliminate emissions of ultrafine particles, which in reality, in our view, means moving towards carbon-free fuels.

Third, we should recognize that the recently enacted California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (AB32) requires carbon emissions be reduced back to 1990 levels by the year 2020. In light of the growth prospects of the two Ports, that means we must switch to carbon-free fuels (for example, green electricity) and other carbon-free technologies in every possible application

as soon as possible. Toward that end we propose we direct our respective staffs to include such technology in our Technology Advancement Program. As part of that effort the Ports pledge to contribute and raise from other interested parties the many millions needed to fund this vital effort.

Also there is one technical amendment we offer to make clear that implementation of the individual Plan measures are subject to additional CEQA review, a fact that is beyond dispute and in the interest of all parties. We therefore move that on page 19 of the Overview and page 24 of the Technical Report the three words after “conducted” be stricken and replaced with “subject to CEQA statute, regulations and guidelines”.

Both the environmental organizations and the business communities have expressed a desire for a continuous process for participation in the ongoing review and improvement of the Clean Air Action Plan in the months and years ahead. We welcome such participation. We therefore urge ALL groups to provide the ports, within the next 30 days following adoption of the CAAP [by December 20, 2006], their ideas for how such public participation can best be conducted. We will promptly approve and implement that process within 30 days after receipt and review of their ideas.

A critical initiative in the Plan is a massive effort to deal with the well-recognized problem of heavily polluting trucks driven by under-paid drivers. These trucks produce 10% of the port-related diesel particulate emissions and fully 25% of the NOx emissions. The Ports have identified over 16,000 individual vehicles that make 80% of the trips to and from Port terminals, so cleaning up those vehicles would eliminate a significant portion of port-related air pollution.

That will be a hugely expensive effort that will involve replacing many trucks and retrofitting others with pollution control devices. The commissioners of both Ports believe that we can tackle the dirty truck problem in a manner consistent with the Clean Air Action Plan.

Accordingly, we propose that we direct our respective staffs to work expeditiously to bring forward a plan with the following elements for further future approval of these boards:

- a. The Ports undertake a 5-year, focused effort to replace or retrofit the entire fleet of over 16,000 trucks that regularly serve our Port with trucks that at least meet the 2007 control standards and that are driven by people who at least earn the prevailing wage.
- b. The Ports establish within their respective districts a program that restricts the operation of trucks that do not meet the clean standards established in the Plan. Further, that we impose a system of fees and transportation charges to raise the necessary funds to pay for the cleaner trucks. These fees would be imposed on the shippers, and not on the drivers.
- c. The Ports will invite private enterprise trucking companies to hire the drivers on terms that offer the proper incentives and conditions to achieve the Clean Air Action Plan goals while resulting in adequately paid drivers.

- d. The Ports begin this program with an infusion of cash to the Gateway Cities Program that would fund a 500-truck program that will demonstrate the applicability of new retrofit technologies. This demonstration program will be activated in the 1st quarter of 2007, and the full 16,800-truck program will be rolled out shortly thereafter.
- e. The Ports develop requests for proposals that will encourage truck fleets of alternatively-fueled vehicles, for example, LNG.

We believe that we can count on the support of our private industry and government partners in this effort.

We believe that this program would enable the Ports to achieve one of the major goals of the Clean Air Action Plan quickly and with minimum economic impact to the people who can least afford to absorb extra costs, namely the hard-working truck drivers who move so much of the cargo.

That leads to our second point, which is the issue of monetary incentives. Many people have commented that the Ports need to pay to clean up pollution from port operations. Both Boards want to make it clear that the Ports cannot and will not subsidize the cost of cleaner transportation indefinitely. Those expenses are a legitimate cost of doing business, and we believe that our position will ensure that companies engaged in goods movement pay their fair share of the cost of cleaning up our air and protecting our citizens. Accordingly, it is our policy that monetary payments by the Ports for cleaner technologies and fuels will be granted to true pioneers in the industry, but only for short periods of time. After that, each entity must bear the costs of reducing pollution from its operations.

1. ADOPTION OF THE SAN PEDRO BAY CLEAN AIR ACTION PLAN – DOCUMENT NO. HD-7109 - ADOPTED.

Communication from Robert Kanter, Director of Planning, dated November 16, 2006, requesting adoption of the San Pedro Bay Clean Air Action Plan, developed jointly by the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles, in cooperation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, California Air Resources Board, and South Coast Air Quality Management District to meet shared air quality improvement goals, was presented to the Board. The recommendation was approved by the Executive Director.

Commissioner Cordero moved, seconded by Commissioner Hancock that the communication be received and filed and that the San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan be amended and as recommended by President Hankla and President Freeman and adopted as amended. Carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Comms:	Hancock,Cordero,Hankla
NOES:	“	None
ABSENT:	“	Topsy-Elvord, Walter

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

There was no one present to address the Board on non-agenda items.

ADJOURNED.

At 5:40 p.m., Commissioner Hancock moved, seconded by Commissioner Cordero that the meeting be adjourned sine die. Carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Comms:	Hancock,Cordero,Hankla
NOES:	"	None
ABSENT:	"	Topsy-Elvord,Walter

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE HARBOR DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT 925 HARBOR PLAZA, LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2006, AT 8 A.M.

Present: Commissioners: Topsy-Elvord, Walter, Hancock, Cordero, Hankla
Absent: " None

Also present:

R. D. Steinke Executive Director
S. B. Rubin Managing Director
C. Lytle Managing Director
R. G. Kanter Director of Planning
K. J. McDermott Director of Real Estate Services
D. T. Holzhaus Principal Deputy City Attorney

PRESIDENT HANKLA PRESIDED AS CHAIRPERSON.

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There was no one present to address the Board.

CLOSED SESSION.

At 8:01 a.m., President Hankla recessed the Board meeting to hold a closed session:

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Closed session pursuant to Section 54956.8 of the Government Code for a conference with real property negotiators regarding the liquefied gas terminal on Terminal Island proposed by Sound Energy Solutions. The Port's principal negotiator is Richard D. Steinke.

At 8:40 a.m., the meeting was again called to order by President Hankla.

ADJOURNED.

At 8:41 a.m., Commissioner Hancock moved, seconded by Commissioner Walter that the meeting be adjourned sine die. Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commrs: Topsy-Elvord, Walter, Hancock, Cordero, Hankla
NOES: " None
ABSENT: " None

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Present: Commissioners: Topsy-Elvord, Walter, Hancock, Cordero, Hankla
Absent: " None

Also present:

R. D. Steinke	Executive Director
S. B. Rubin	Managing Director
C. Lytle	Managing Director
D. A. Thiessen	Chief Harbor Engineer
T. K. Whitesell	Director of Human Resources
H. C. Morris	Director of Communications
S. Joumblat	Acting Chief Financial Officer
D. L. Albrecht	Director of Information Management
R. Rich	Director of Maintenance
R. G. Kanter	Director of Planning
K. J. McDermott	Director of Real Estate Services
C. Perrone	Director of Security
D. B. Snyder	Director of Trade Relations
C. A. Kemp	Director of Government Affairs
R. S. Baratta	Director of Risk Management
D. T. Holzhaus	Principal Deputy City Attorney

PRESIDENT HANKLA PRESIDED AS CHAIRPERSON.

Commissioner Hancock left at the end of the Committee meetings.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Upon motion by Commissioner Walter, seconded by Commissioner Topsy-Elvord and unanimously carried, the minutes of the regular meeting of November 27, 2006, were declared read and approved as read.

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There was no one present to address the Board.

CONSENT CALENDAR – ITEM NOS. 1-6.

Item No. 5 was removed from Consent Calendar for discussion.

1. ORTIZ ENTERPRISES INC. - PARTIAL ACCEPTANCE OF WORK UNDER SPECIFICATION NO. HD-S2103A AND PARTIAL RELEASE OF RETENTION.

Communication from D. A. Thiessen, Chief Harbor Engineer, dated November 29, 2006, advising that Ortiz Enterprises, Inc., has satisfactorily partially completed, as of July 14, 2006, the new traffic intersection at Ocean Boulevard and Terminal Island Freeway Interchange as described in Specification No. HD-S2103A and recommending that said work be accepted as partially complete as of that date, and the release of partial retention, in the amount of \$100,000, was presented to the Board. The recommendation was approved by the Acting Executive Director.

2. REJECTION OF BIDS FOR PIER C STREET DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT UNDER SPECIFICATION NO. HD-S2277A - AUTHORITY TO RE-ADVERTISE THE PROJECT.

Communication from D. A. Thiessen, Chief Harbor Engineer, dated November 29, 2006, recommending the rejection of bids for the Pier C Street drainage improvements project under Specification No. HD-S2277A, and authorization to re-advertise the project, was presented to the Board. The request was approved by the Acting Executive Director.

3. PARSONS/HNTB JOINT VENTURE - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE NINTH AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT FOR THE GERALD DESMOND BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT - DOCUMENT NO. HD-6579I - CWO NO. 1233, SUPPLEMENT NO. 12 - APPROVED.

Communication from D. A. Thiessen, Chief Harbor Engineer, dated November 29, 2006, requesting approval of an amendment to Contract with Parsons/HNTB Joint Venture for the Gerald Desmond Bridge Replacement Project, in the amount of \$3,582,461, and CWO No. 1233, Supplement No. 12, in the amount of \$3,682,461, was presented to the Board. The request was approved by the Acting Executive Director.

4. TIDELANDS – PERMIT TO DRILL ONE WATER INJECTION WELL – APPROVED.

Communication from Robert Kanter, Director of Planning, dated November 28, 2006, recommending approval of the application submitted by Tidelands to drill one water injection well (FX-109) on Pier D, was presented to the Board. The recommendation was approved by the Acting Executive Director.

6. BASSAM JOUMLAT – RALPH DELGADO – OLIGARIA P. RESULTAY-KERRY RASMUSSEN – APPOINTMENTS.

Communication from Toni K. Whitesell, Director of Human Resources, dated

November 29, 2006, requesting approval of the appointments of the following individuals:

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Range & Step</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Bassam Joumblat	Chief Financial Officer	EOO	12/09/06
Ralph Delgado	Secretary	410/07	12/05/06
Oligaria P. Resultay	Accounting Clerk III	400/05	12/11/06
Kerry Rasmussen	Administrative Analyst I	570/03	12/09/06

was presented to the Board. The request was approved by the Acting Executive Director.

Commissioner Walter moved, seconded by Commissioner Topsy-Elvord that the communications be received and filed and that Items Nos. 1-4, and 6 be approved as recommended. Carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Comms:	Topsy-Elvord, Walter, Cordero, Hankla
NOES:	"	None
ABSENT:	"	Hancock

Commissioner Cordero left the meeting.

5. CYNTHIA A. STAFFORD – APPOINTMENT.

Communication from Toni K. Whitesell, Director of Human Resources, dated November 29, 2006, requesting approval of the appointment of Cynthia A. Stafford to the position of Acting Director of Human Resources, effective December 30, 2006, at the annual salary of \$112,923, was presented to the Board. The request was approved by the Acting Executive Director.

In response to a question by Commissioner Walter, Mr. Rubin stated Ms. Stafford would be appointed as Acting Director of Human Resources and during her maternity leave we would hire a human resources professional under contract to fill in during her absence. Additionally, Mr. Rubin stated that the recruitment for the Director of Human Resources position would begin after the first of the year.

Commissioner Hankla moved, and the motion died due to no second.

REGULAR AGENDA.

7. GTSI, CORP. – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE FOR PATROL CAR VIDEO SYSTEMS – DOCUMENT NO. HD-7110 -GWO NO. 5091 - RESOLUTION NO. HD-2334 - ADOPTED.

Communication from Cosmo Perrone, Director of Security, by C. Wynne, dated November 29, 2006, recommending approval of a Contract with GTSI, Corp., for the purchase of computer hardware and software, under the terms of the Fairfax County Virginia U.S. Communities contract, for patrol car video systems and GWO No. 5091, both in the amount of \$350,000, was presented to the Board together with the authorizing resolution therefore. The recommendation was approved by the Acting Executive Director.

Commissioner Walter moved, seconded by Commissioner Topsy-Elvord that the communication be received and filed and that the resolution entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE PATRL CAR VIDEO SYSTEMS THROUGH A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA AND GOVERNMENT TECHNOLOGY SERVICES, INC.," be declared read and adopted as read. Carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Commrs:	Topsy-Elvord,Walter,Hankla
NOES:	"	None
ABSENT:	"	Hancock, Cordero

8. ESTABLISHING RATES AND CHARGES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES – ORDINANCE NO. HD-1973 - ADOPTED.

Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, ESTABLISHING RATES AND CHARGES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE TO CERTAIN CONSUMERS WITHIN THE HARBOR DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. HD-1633, AS AMENDED AND MAKING A DETERMINATION RELATING THERETO," was presented to the Board for its second and final reading.

Commissioner Topsy-Elvord moved, seconded by Commissioner Walter that the ordinance be declared read for the second time and adopted as read. Carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Commrs:	Topsy-Elvord,Walter,Hankla
NOES:	"	None
ABSENT:	"	Hancock, Cordero

9. LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT – GRANT DEED AND AGREEMENT CONVEYING AN EASEMENT FOR SUBSURFACE WATER LINE WITHIN THE PORT OF LONG BEACH AND PORT OF LOS ANGELES JOINTLY-OWNED RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY – DOCUMENT NO. HD-7111 - ORDINANCE NO. HD-1974 - ADOPTED.

Ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LONG BEACH HARBOR DEPARTMENT TO EXECUTE A GRANT DEED BETWEEN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, AND MAKING A DETERMINATION RELATING THERETO," was presented to the Board for its second and final reading.

Commissioner Topsy-Elvord moved, seconded by Commissioner Walter that said ordinance be declared read for the second time and adopted as read. Carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Comms:	Topsy-Elvord,Walter,Hankla
NOES:	"	None
ABSENT:	"	Hancock, Cordero

NEW BUSINESS.

Commissioner Walter stated Congressman Dana Rohrabacher rode on the Port Survey float in the Christmas Parade on Saturday.

ADJOURNED.

At 10:40 a.m., Commissioner Walter moved, seconded by Commissioner Topsy-Elvord that the meeting be adjourned sine die. Carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Comms:	Topsy-Elvord,Walter,Hankla
NOES:	"	None
ABSENT:	"	Hancock,Cordero

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Present: Commissioners: None
Absent: " Topsy-Elvord, Walter, Hancock, Cordero, Hankla

Staff Present:

R. D. Steinke Executive Director

NO QUORUM.

No quorum being present, Mr. Steinke adjourned the meeting at 1:01 p.m., sine die.

C I T Y P L A N N I N G C O M M I S S I O N M I N U T E S**O C T O B E R 5, 2 0 0 6**

STUDY SESSION A study session was held at 12:00pm to review the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Seaport Marina Project located at 6400 E. Pacific Coast Highway.

The regular meeting of the City Planning Commission and public hearing reconvened at 1:58pm in the City Council Chambers, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, CA.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS: Matthew Jenkins, Leslie Gentile, Charles Greenberg, Charles Winn, Morton Stuhlbarg, Nick Sramek

ABSENT: EXCUSED: Mitchell Rouse

CHAIRMAN: Matthew Jenkins

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Suzanne Frick, Director
Greg Carpenter, Planning Manager
Carolyne Bihn, Zoning Officer
Lynette Ferenczy, Planner
Jeff Winklepleck, Planner
Lemuel Hawkins, Planner
Scott Mangum, Planner
Monica Mendoza, Planner

OTHERS PRESENT: Mike Mais, Deputy City Attorney
Mark Christoffels, City Engineer
Marcia Gold, Minutes Clerk

P L E D G E O F A L L E G I A N C E

The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Winn.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of July 20, 2006 were approved on a motion by Commissioner Winn, seconded by Commissioner Gentile and passed 6-0. Commissioner Rouse was absent.

The minutes of August 17, 2006 were approved on a motion by Commissioner Winn, seconded by Commissioner Gentile and passed 3-0-3. Commissioners Greenberg, Stuhlbarg and Sramek abstained and Commissioner Rouse was absent. The motion included the

removal of Commissioner Sramek's name from the motion on the Consent Calendar.

The minutes of September 7 2006 were passed on a motion by Commissioner Winn, seconded by Commissioner Sramek and passed 6-0. Commissioner Rouse was absent.

S W E A R I N G O F W I T N E S S E S

C O N S E N T C A L E N D A R

Item 1I was removed to the Regular Agenda for discussion.

Commissioner Stuhlberg moved to accept Items 1A, 1B, 1C (with action corrected as per staff report); 1D, 1E, 1F, 1G, 1H and 1J of the Consent Calendar as presented by staff.

1A. Case No. 0606-24, Conditional Use Permit, CE 06-133

Applicant: Rent 4 Less c/o Crystal Wortman
Subject Site: 3800 E. Pacific Coast Highway (Council District 4)
Description: Request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the rental of automobiles and trucks.

Approved the Conditional Use Permit, subject to conditions.

1B. Case No. 0602-06, Conditional Use Permit, Standards Variance, CE 06-25

Applicant: Pat Brown
Subject Site: 85 W. Del Amo (Council District 8)
Description: Request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit and Standards Variance to allow the operation of a childcare center with less than code required parking.

Continued to the October 19, 2006 meeting.

1C. GPC 10-5-06, Finding of Conformity

Applicant: Craig Beck, Long Beach Redevelopment Agency
Subject Site: 130 E. First Street (Council District 2)
Description: Finding of Conformity with the General Plan for the transfer of real property to Long Beach Transit.

Found the proposed dedication and vacation of public right-of-way, as depicted in Exhibit A, in conformance with the General Plan.

1D. Case No. 0603-01, Condominium Conversion, CE 06-33

Applicant: Pacific Property Assets c/o ALS Consulting
Subject Site: 1190 Newport Avenue (Council District 4)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Tract Map No. 065798 for the conversion of nineteen units into condominiums.

Continued to the October 19, 2006 meeting.

1E. Case No. 0607-14, Tentative Tract Map, CE 06-150

Applicant: Temple LB Partners LLC
Scott Ayres, representative
Subject Site: 1070-1080 Temple Avenue (Council District 4)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Tract Map No. 067570 to convert 18 residential dwelling units of an existing apartment building with 30 ground level off-street parking spaces into condominiums.

Approved Tentative Tract Map. No. 067570 subject to conditions.

1F. Case No. 0607-08, Condominium Conversion, Tentative Tract Map, CE 06-147

Applicant: Bruce & Faye Hummel c/o Matthew Udell
Subject Site: 1637 E. 5th Street (Council District 2)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Tract Map No. 067456 for the conversion of eight apartment units into condominiums.

Approved Tentative Tract Map. No. 067456 subject to conditions

1G. Case No. 0607-10, Condominium Conversion, CE 06-149

Applicant: 1641 Park Avenue LLC
Subject Site: 1641 Park Avenue (Council District 4)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Parcel Map No. 066985 for the conversion of four apartment units into condominiums.

Approved Tentative Parcel Map No. 066985 subject to conditions.

1H. Case No. 0607-21, Tentative Tract Map, CE 06-155

Applicant: William Larson, Alfred Construction & Development
Subject Site: 4701 E. Anaheim Street (Council District 4)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Tract Map No. 067454 to convert 12 apartment units into condominiums.

Approved Tentative Tract Map. No. 067454 subject to conditions.

1I. Case No. 0606-20, Tentative Parcel Map, CE 06-129

Applicant: Kim Napolillo
Subject Site: 4300-4302 - 15th Street (Council District 4)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Parcel Map No. 066552 to convert two detached residential units into condominiums.

Removed to the Regular Agenda.

1J. Mills Act Historic Property Contract

Applicant: Kevin Poi and Thomas Hoehn
Subject Site: 4242 Pine Avenue (Council District 8)
Description: Consideration of a Mills Act Historic Property Contract for the property located at 4242 Pine Avenue, which is a designated City Landmark generally referred to as the Henry Clock House.

Recommended that the City Council approve the execution of a Mills Act Historic Property Contract.

R E G U L A R A G E N D A

1I. Case No. 0606-20, Tentative Parcel Map, CE 06-129

Applicant: Kim Napolillo
Subject Site: 4300-4302 - 15th Street (Council District 4)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Parcel Map No. 066552 to convert two detached residential units into condominiums.

Lynette Ferenczy presented the staff report recommending approval of the request since it complies with City and State Subdivision requirements and would provide increased home ownership opportunities.

Kim Napolillo, 650-101 Brofton Court, applicant, stated she wanted to convert the two separate dwellings on the lot into condominiums.

Lisa Gary, 4305 E. 15th Street, stated she was opposed to the request because it could decrease area property values and alter the character of the neighborhood.

Michelle McBride, 4333 E. 15th Street, also opposed the request on the grounds that it would be negatively precedent-setting.

Elinor Clark, 4322 E. Ransom Street, spoke against the request, expressing fear that the change would attract renters instead of homeowners.

Marcela Meckna, 4314 E. 15th Street, presented letters from area homeowners opposing the conversion because rents were already high in the area to protect nearby homeowners.

Steve Schiro, 4305 E. 15th Street, read a letter from another area resident in opposition to the request because its approval could attract non-resident investors.

Mary Colvin, 4306 E. 15th Street, adjacent neighbor, said she did not agree this would be a precedent-setting action, and would in fact bring a new homeowner to the area.

Commissioner Greenberg stated that although the neighbors seemed to think this approval would be growth-inducing and change the character of the neighborhood, he felt it would be acceptable as long as the approval could be conditioned as isolated and therefore not be precedent-setting. Deputy City Attorney Mike Mais explained that this could be done with an amendment to the findings to indicate that it was not the Commission's intention to set a precedent.

Commissioner Greenberg moved to direct the Director of Planning and Building to fashion appropriate findings expressing the desire of the Commission to ensure this decision was not precedent-setting. Commissioner Gentile seconded the motion.

Commissioner Winn expressed disagreement with the amended finding, stating that he felt this could stifle the construction of affordable housing.

Commissioner Sramek said he felt the request would be precedent-setting although overall density would not change.

Commissioner Greenberg's motion was called, and it failed 3-3, with Commissioners Stuhlbarg, Jenkins and Winn dissenting. Commissioner Rouse was absent.

Commissioner Stuhlbarg moved to accept the staff recommendation to approve Tentative Parcel Map No. 066552 subject to conditions. Commissioner Winn seconded the motion, which passed 4-2. Commissioners Greenberg and Sramek dissented, and Commissioner Rouse was absent.

C O N T I N U E D I T E M S

2. **Case No. 0605-29, Conditional Use Permit, CE 06-101**

Applicant: Orange Rocket LLC c/o Melinda Byrd
Subject Site: 6640 Cherry Avenue (Council District 9)
Description: Request for a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a 1,610 sq.ft. check cashing/payday advance business in an existing retail center.

Jeff Winklepleck presented the staff report recommending denial of the Conditional Use Permit since the proposed use has the potential to be detrimental to the surrounding community and is located in an area undergoing revitalization.

Commissioner Greenberg commented that he felt this kind of social issue raised by staff should be heard instead by the City Council.

Chairman Jenkins stated that he had discussed the issue with area residents who used check cashing businesses, discovering that the use provided opportunities to certain segments of the area population, and commented that the market would determine the survival of this business.

William Lucking, 3802 Hathaway, applicant, stated that their emphasis on service and security in a paperless operation and luxurious surroundings made their operation code-compliant and complaint-free, with no incidents at other area locations, and support from the Long Beach Police Department.

Laurel Kutcher, 1825 E. Harding Street, nearby resident, objected to the use and said she felt there were already enough check-cashing facilities in the area.

Commissioner Greenberg agreed that this was a needed facility and seemed like an appropriate use for the area.

Commissioner Winn also expressed support for the use, saying that he had previously been unaware of the need for this kind of facility, and added that he was impressed with the professionalism of the applicant and his presentation.

Commissioner Greenberg moved to continue the item to the October 19, 2006 meeting to allow staff to prepare positive findings to support approval of the Conditional Use Permit. Commissioner Winn seconded the motion, which passed 6-0. Commissioner Rouse was absent.

3. Case No. 0606-25, Conditional Use Permit, CE 06-135

Applicant: Royal Street Communications
Laton Fuller, Representative
Subject Site: 1455 W. Willow Street (Council District 7)
Description: A request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit to construct and maintain a ground-mounted cellular and personal communication services facility, consisting of a 45 foot high monopole antenna structure designed as a palm tree with accessory equipment.

Lemuel Hawkins presented the staff report recommending denial of the request since the proposed monopole would be located close to another where the proposed carrier had the ability to co-locate, reducing overall visual impact. Mr. Hawkins added that staff had never received evidence that the applicant had investigated co-location opportunities as previously directed by the Commission.

Chantel McCall, 23411 Summerfield Street, applicant representative, explained technically why successful co-location would require a 60' monopole, noting that the DWP property was not an option for security reasons.

Commissioner Gentile asked if a 60' monopalm would work for co-location, and Commissioner Sramek said he felt any antenna would be inappropriate across the street from homes.

Applicant McCall said that cell towers have to be closer to homes to service customers who use the phone as their primary line, and Cingular had indicated they would move to the proposed site.

Kathy Abola-Akinyemi, 350 Commerce, Irvine, RF engineer, Metro PCS, explained that use of a microwave antenna allows a crucial link between sites.

Carolyn Bihn noted that staff continued to recommend that the applicant co-locate on a refurbished, existing monopole, and that equipment stacking would save space. Ms. Abola-Akinyemi stated that stacking was not usually done because it allowed water to enter the equipment and damage it.

Mr. Hawkins added that staff felt stacking was a feasible alternative, and they could not recommend approval of the request when a viable monopole site was only 300' away, although they had not taken the financial viability of that solution into consideration.

Ms. McCall contended that none of her clients had the technical ability to stack equipment on a site.

Mindy Hartstein, 350 Commerce, Irvine, Project Engineer, explained that co-locating on the existing monopole would require a new foundation, making it financially unfeasible, and that the suggested location would be more viable and less obtrusive.

Commissioner Sramek moved to continue the item to the October 19, 2006 meeting to allow the applicant to meet with staff and work out a solution. Commissioner Greenberg seconded the motion, which passed 6-0. Commissioner Rouse was absent.

4. Case No. 0601-20, Text Amendment, Conditional Use Permit, Standards Variance, Lot Merger, Mitigated Negative Declaration, ND 13-06

Applicant: David Pfeifer, Representative for
California Heights United Methodist Church

Subject Site: 3754-3758 Cerritos Avenue
(Council District 7)

Description: Request for Site Plan Review, Conditional Use Permits, Zoning Ordinance Amendment, Lot Merger, and Code Exceptions for (1) Front yard setback of 20'; (instead of not less than 25'); (2) Provision of less than code required parking; (3) Fence height of 5' within front yard setback (instead of not higher than 3') to establish a new two-story 16,964 sq.ft. dual use facility with day care center for 147 children in an R-1-N zone.

Scott Mangum presented the staff report recommending approval of the requests since positive findings could be made to support most of the requests with no significant environmental impacts with mitigation; and because the recommended text amendment would be consistent with the Land Use Element of the General Plan; but recommending denial of the fence height request since it could substantially alter the visual character of the neighborhood.

David Pfeifer, 2150 W. Washington Street, San Diego, applicant, stated that as a result of neighborhood meetings and research into state licensing requirements, they had adjusted the fence height request to 4', 1' lower than the height of the existing fence. Mr. Pfeifer also asked that termination of the permit and development rights be extended from one to three years to allow them time for financing and fundraising.

Mr. Carpenter added that staff felt the newly proposed fence was more attractive, but staff still supported the code requirements on its height.

Deborah Simmons, 3749 Cerritos Avenue, resident, stated she was still concerned about potential noise created by the church expansion, and she liked a higher fence for that reason.

Commissioner Winn moved to certify Mitigated Negative Declaration No. ND 13-06; to recommend that the City Council amend the Municipal Code to allow for the expansion of churches or similar religious facilities on existing or abutting sites in the R-1-N Zone with a Conditional Use Permit; to approve the Site Plan Review, Standards Variances (front yard setback and parking); Lot Merger, and Conditional Use Permits subject to revised conditions with a three-year permit and development extension instead of one year; and to allow the Standards Variance request for a fence height of 4' within the front yard setback on Cerritos Avenue.

Commissioner Gentile seconded the motion which passed 6-0. Commissioner Rouse was absent.

Item #6 was taken out of order
D I S C U S S I O N I T E M

6. Long Beach Airport Parking Structure Massing Study & Site Plan

Applicant: City of Long Beach

Subject Site: 4100 Donald Douglas Drive (Council
District 5)
Description: The Long Beach Airport Parking Structure
Massing Study.

Mark Christoffels, City Engineer, City of Long Beach, asked for input from the Commission on the three options designed so far.

Michelle Wendler, Watry Design, Inc., 1700 Seaport Blvd., Suite 210, Redwood City, CA 94063, presented a PowerPoint showing the elevations and computer generated three-dimensional models of each alternative design.

Commissioner Gentile suggested exploring the option of external exit ramps, and Mr. Christofle explained that they had not looked at changing the exit design framework since the current design provided support for the building.

Commissioner Gentile expressed dissatisfaction with the designs, stating that the current options were too big, overwhelming the scale of the airport. She also pointed out that the selling point of the original structure design was that it had successfully echoed the historical aspects of the existing buildings. Ms. Gentile cited the parking structure of the California Science Center as a good example of creative use of style and materials, and said that this design did not contain enough expression of architectural style for a building that would dominate this location for a long time.

Genaro Morales, Watry Design, Inc., 1700 Seaport Blvd., Suite 210, Redwood City, CA 94063, in response to a query from Commissioner Gentile, explained that the proposed tex-coating was chosen because it would work best for this type of finish, and be easier to clean.

Commissioner Greenberg agreed that this had to create a more dramatic entrance off of Lakewood.

Commissioners Gentile and Sramek offered to work with staff to create a better, more historically relevant and pleasing design, citing Option A as a good place to start.

R E G U L A R A G E N D A (cont'd)

5. Case No. 0601-02, Modification to Approved Master Development Plan and Site Plan Review

Applicant: Robert J. Norris, Jr.
Subject Site: 2001 River Avenue (Council District 7)
Description: Request for approval of a modification to the Master Development Plan and Site Plan Review to allow the construction of an 81-unit family transitional housing development at Century Villages at Cabrillo.

Monica Mendoza presented the staff report recommending approval of the requests since the project was well-designed and architecturally consistent with the existing development at the site, and complied with PD-31 standards while offering comprehensive services designed to encourage self-sufficiency in the homeless.

Peter Postlmayr, 2001 River Avenue, applicant, outlined the mission of the assistance group and how they serve the emergency, transitional and permanent housing needs of the homeless.

In response to a query from Commissioner Winn, Mr. Postlmayr explained that a normal client stay was about two years at which point they would be merged into the community to make space for newcomers.

Commissioner Sramek complimented the applicant on the quality of the program, saying he had visited the operation and was impressed.

Commissioner Sramek moved to approve the Modification to the Master Development Plan and Site Plan Review, subject to conditions. Commissioner Winn seconded the motion, which passed 6-0. Commissioner Rouse was absent.

M A T T E R S F R O M T H E A U D I E N C E

There were no matters from the audience.

**M A T T E R S F R O M T H E D E P A R T M E N T O F
P L A N N I N G A N D B U I L D I N G**

Greg Carpenter stated that the Council hearing on the Home Depot project had resulted in approval of the EIR with Home Depot had

agreeing to make it a leed-certified building, and to pay their fair share into any future assessment district to restore nearby wetlands.

**M A T T E R S F R O M T H E P L A N N I N G
C O M M I S S I O N - Chair and Vice-Chair Elections**

Commissioner Sramek moved to nominate Commissioner Gentile as Chairman of the Planning Commission. Commissioner Greenberg seconded the motion, which passed 6-0. Commissioner Rouse was absent.

Commissioner Sramek moved to nominate Commissioner Rouse as Vice Chairman of the Planning Commission. Commissioner Greenberg seconded the motion, which passed 6-0. Commissioner Rouse was absent.

Commissioner Greenberg expressed concern about the disconnect on the check cashing issue between the Commission and the City Council, and suggested making it a policy issue to bring it to a discussion.

A D J O U R N

The meeting adjourned at 5:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Gold
Minutes Clerk

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES**October 19, 2006**

The regular meeting of the City Planning Commission convened Thursday, October 19, 2006 at 1:35 pm in the City Council Chambers, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS: Leslie Gentile, Matthew Jenkins, Nick Sramek, Charles Winn

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: Charles Greenberg, Mitchell Rouse, Morton Stuhlbarg

CHAIRMAN: Leslie Gentile

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Suzanne Frick, Director
Greg Carpenter, Planning Bureau Manager
Angela Reynolds, Advance Planning Officer
Carolyn Bihn, Zoning Officer
Jeff Winklepleck, Planner
Steve Valdez, Planner
Heidi Eidson, Minutes Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Lisa Malmsten, Deputy City Attorney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Winn led the pledge of allegiance.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Item #1A was pulled from the Consent Calendar and moved to the Regular Agenda.

Commissioner Winn moved to approve Items 1B, 1C, and 1D as presented by staff. Commissioner Jenkins seconded the motion which passed 4-0. Commissioners Greenberg, Rouse and Stuhlbarg were absent.

1A. Case 0605-29, Conditional Use Permit, CE 06-101

Applicant: Orange Rocket, LLC
c/o Melinda Byrd
Subject Site: 6640 Cherry Avenue (Council District 9)
Description: Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of
a 1,610 square foot check cashing/payday advance business in an
existing retail center.

Moved to Regular Agenda.

1B. Case No. 0608-10, Tentative Tract Map, CE 06-171

Applicant: David Lines
Subject Site: 1760 Temple Avenue (Council District 4)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Tract Map No.
67762 to convert four (4) apartments into condominiums.

Approved Tentative Tract Map No. 67762, subject to conditions.

1C. Case No. 0607-09, Tentative Tract Map, CE 06-95

Applicant: 318 Cherry LLC/SUBTEC
Robert Vargo, Representative
Subject Site: 318 Cherry Avenue, (Council District 2)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Tract Map No.
65589 to convert twelve (12) residential dwelling units of an
existing apartment building into condominiums.

Approved Tentative Tract Map No. 65589, subject to conditions.

1D. Case No. 0606-25, Conditional Use Permit, CE 06-135

Applicant: Royal Street Communications
Laton Fuller, Representative
Subject Site: 1455 W. Willow Street (Council District 7)
Description: Request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit
to construct and maintain a ground-mounted cellular and personal
communication services facility, consisting of a forty-five foot
(45') high monopole antenna structure designed as a palm tree
with accessory equipment.

Continued to November 16, 2006.

REGULAR AGENDA

1A. Case 0605-29, Conditional Use Permit, CE 06-101

Applicant: Orange Rocket, LLC
c/o Melinda Byrd
Subject Site: 6640 Cherry Avenue (Council District 9)
Description: Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a 1,610 square foot check cashing/payday advance business in an existing retail center.

Jeff Winklepleck presented the staff report recommending approval of the project. The item had been continued from a prior meeting and staff was directed to prepare Findings and Conditions of Approval in support of the project.

Pat Brown, applicant's representative, stated that the applicant was in agreement with the conditions as presented.

Jesse Brown, 353 E. Plenty Street, stated that he was opposed to the project because he felt that it would invite crime due to its location and proximity to the 91 Freeway entrance.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit request. Commissioner Winn seconded the motion which passed 4-0. Commissioners Greenberg, Rouse and Stuhlberg were absent.

2. Case No. 0602-06, Conditional Use Permit, Standards Variance, CE 06-25

Applicant: Pat Brown
Subject Site: 85 W. Del Amo (Council District 8)
Description: Request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit and Standards Variance to allow the operation of a childcare center with less than code required parking.

Steven Valdez presented the staff report, recommending approval of the Conditional Use Permit request for a childcare center with 20 children instead of 31 as requested by applicant.

Pat Brown, applicant's representative, requested that the item be continued, as the applicant was unable to be present at the hearing.

In response to a query from Commissioner Winn, Carolyne Bihn stated that she was not aware of any consistent complaints being received by the City regarding parking issues at childcare centers. She added that staff would provide further research into the issue when the item came back before the Commission.

Ms. Bihn stated that staff recommended that the item be continued until the hearing of November 16, 2006.

Jesse Brown, 353 E. Plenty Street, stated that he was opposed to the project because parking in the area is congested.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to continue the item to November 16, 2006. Commissioner Sramek seconded the motion which passed 4-0. Commissioners Greenberg, Rouse and Stuhlberg were absent.

3. Case No. 0603-01, Tentative Tract Map, CE 06-33

Applicant: Pacific Property Assets
c/o ALS Consulting
Subject Site: 1190 Newport Avenue (Council District 4)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Tract Map No. 65798 for the conversion of nineteen (19) units into condominiums.

Greg Carpenter stated that the applicant had requested that the item be continued until the hearing of November 2, 2006.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to continue the item to November 2, 2006. Commissioner Sramek seconded the motion.

In response to a query from Commissioner Winn, Ms. Bihn stated that the Condominium Conversion Ordinance does not allow for a certain percentage of units under 450 square feet. She continued that another similar project would be coming to the Commission in the near future and that staff would recommend not approving the small units, but rather combining them.

The question was called and the motion passed 4-0. Commissioners Greenberg, Rouse and Stuhlberg were absent.

MATTERS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no matters from the audience.

MATTERS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING

Mr. Carpenter stated that the City Council had approved the amendment to PD-30 to adopt a loft district and they directed staff to add a definition of loft and also to establish minimum parking standards for re-use of commercial buildings to residential. They also requested that the Director of Planning and Building be able to waive the standard on a case by case basis.

MATTERS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION

There were no matters from the Planning Commission.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 2:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Eidson
Minutes Clerk

MINUTES
 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
 LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA
 NOVEMBER 16, 2006

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 November 16, 2006.

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

PRESENT:	Frank Clarke	Commissioner
	William B. Townsend	Commissioner
	Lillian Y. Kawasaki	Commissioner
	Helen Z. Hansen	Commissioner
	Stephen T. Conley	Commissioner
	Donna Gwin	Senior Deputy City Attorney
	Lisa Peskay Malmsten	Deputy City Attorney
	Kevin L. Wattier	General Manager
	Sandra L. Fox	Secretary to the Board of Water 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
	Paul Fujita	Director of Finance
	Issac C. Pai	Director of Engineering
	David Honey	Administrative Officer
	Robert V. Swain	Division Engineer
	Melissa L. Keyes	Administrative Analyst II/Special Projects Coordinator
	Dynna Long	Senior Secretary
	Theresa Wu	Senior Engineer
	Patricia A. Robinson	Administrative Analyst II
	Martha Flores	Office Administrator
	Steven Maestas	Senior Equipment Operator
	Maestas Family Members	
	Robert Katzenberger	Water Operations Superintendent
	Bobby Jones	Water Utility Supervisor II
	Jim Canales	Water Utility Supervisor I
	Jeff Jones	Water Utility Supervisor I
	Tim Phelps	Water Utility Supervisor I

ABSENT: None.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Robert C. Cheng, Deputy General Manager – Operations, led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Clarke opened the public comment period. As there were no requests to address the Board, the public comment period was closed.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 2, 2006

The minutes of November 2nd, 2006 were unanimously approved as corrected by Commissioner Townsend.

4. A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING ADMIRATION AND RESPECT TO STEVE MAESTAS FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE LONG BEACH WATER DEPARTMENT

President Clarke read the resolution and presented a copy of it to Mr. Maestas along with a meter clock in recognition of his retirement from the City of Long Beach.

Mr. Maestas made remarks regarding his service with the Long Beach Water Department, and complimented the Department on the work accomplished by the Water Department employees.

Comments were made by Bobby Jones and Robert Katzenberger, and his fellow crew members made a photo presentation to Mr. Maestas.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- **Frank Clarke, President, Board of Water Commissioners**

None.

6. REVIEW BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 2006

- **Frank Clarke, President, Board of Water Commissioners**

The Board discussed their meeting schedule for the month of December 2006 and agreed to the following meeting schedule:

December 7, 2006	Regular Meeting, 9:15 A.M. Education Garden Grand Opening immediately following the Board meeting
December 14, 2006	No Meeting – Lack of a quorum due to attendance at CRUWA Annual Conference
December 21, 2006	Regular Meeting, 9:15 A.M.
December 28, 2006	Committee of the Whole, 9:15 A.M.

Commissioner Townsend advised he would be absent from the December 28th meeting.

7. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

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

MALLORCA, SPAIN DESALINATION CONFERENCE REPORT

Mr. B. Anatole Falagan reported on the recent desalination conference he was invited to participate at, held in Mallorca, Spain – November 7, 2006 – November 10, 2006.

There was general discussion by the Board members and staff regarding Spanish desalination projects. Mr. Anatole reported these projects were heavily subsidized through European Union and Spanish government funding.

CALIFORNIA WATER CONFERENCE PANEL

Mr. Wattier advised the Board he would be participating on a panel entitled "Regional Water Management Plans: Ready for Primetime?" at the two-day California Water Conference being held in Los Angeles, November 16 – 17, 2006.

HUELL HOWSER VIDEO REGARDING DESALINATION

Mr. Wattier advised the Board that the Huell Howser segment on desalination had run on public television on November 9th, 2006. Mr. Wattier reported that Mr. Alsop would show the video clip from this program later in the meeting.

UPDATE ON BEACH CLOSURES

Mr. Wattier reported he was pleased with the responsiveness by other city departments regarding the recent water quality issues at the Colorado Lagoon, Mother's Beach and Alamitos Bay. He advised that the Public Works Department would be hiring a consultant to do a hydrology model on water flows in the Alamitos Bay area. He further reported they would be coordinating this study with AES, LADWP and Haynes plant personnel.

PIPELINE PERMIT FEE MUNICIPAL CODE CHANGE

Mr. Wattier advised that the City Council had approved the change to the Municipal Code regarding pipeline permit fees at their November 14th council meeting.

INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (IRWMP)
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

Mr. Wattier provided background on the IRWMP MOU and advised he would be bringing this item to the Board at their December 7, 2006 Board meeting for discussion and authorization to join as a party to the MOU.

Commissioner Kawasaki requested that the General Manager provide an update on the IRWMP process at the upcoming Committee of the Whole Meeting scheduled for November 30, 2006.

8. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

- **Lisa Peskay Malmsten, Deputy City Attorney**

Ms. Malmsten advised she would defer her report to a future meeting due to meeting time constraints.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Commissioner Hansen and seconded by Commissioner Kawasaki, and unanimously approved that the Board approve Consent Calendar Items 9a., 9b., and 9c.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES:	COMMISSIONERS	<u>FRANK CLARKE, WILLIAM TOWNSEND</u> <u>LILLIAN KAWASAKI; HELEN HANSEN</u> <u>STEPHEN CONLEY</u>
NOES:	COMMISSIONERS:	<u>NONE</u>
ABSENT:	COMMISSIONERS:	<u>NONE</u>
ABSTAIN:	COMMISSIONERS:	<u>NONE</u>

9a. Approval of Retirement Order No. RO-6074 for Items that have Become Obsolete or Unrepairable during the Current Year

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

Action Requested:

- That the Board approve the retirement order for the items listed, and that they be removed from the Department's records.

9b. Authorize the General Manager to execute First Amendment to Agreement WD-2716 with S & J Supply Company, Inc. to Extend Contract for One (1) Year to Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Water Works Materials and Bronze Products for an Amount not to Exceed \$697,248.00 for the New Contract Period

A communication was presented to the Board from Robert C. Cheng which is on file at the Long Beach Water Department.

Action Requested:

Authorize the General Manager to execute First Amendment to Agreement WD-2716 with S & J Supply Company, Inc. to Extend Contract for One (1) Year to Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Water Works Materials and Bronze Products for an Amount not to Exceed \$697,248.00 for the New Contract Period

9c. Adopt Specifications WD-18-06 for the Purchase and Removal of Scrap Metal from Long Beach Water Department and Authorize the General Manager to Execute and Agreement with Atlas Pacific Corporation for this purchase

A communication was presented to the Board from Robert C. Cheng which is on file at the Long Beach Water Department.

Action Requested:

Adopt Specifications WD-18-06 for the Purchase and Removal of Scrap Metal from Long Beach Water Department and Authorize the General Manager to Execute and Agreement with Atlas Pacific Corporation for this purchase

10. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES/ACTIONS/BILLS

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

CHARTER AMENDMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

Mr. Alsop provided background on the Charter Amendment process, and provided copies of the schedule of Charter Amendment Committee meetings, workshops and hearings to the Board. He reported on agenda items discussed at recent Charter Amendment community meeting he attended.

There was general discussion regarding this topic.

NOTE: Commissioner Conley joined the meeting at 10:35 A.M.

The Board reviewed a draft letter regarding the Charter amendment process, and agreed they would send the letter to the Mayor and City Council.

NOTE: Commissioner Kawasaki left the meeting at 10:42 A.M.

HUELL HOWSER VIDEO REGARDING DESALINATION

Mr. Alsop showed a video clip of the segment Mr. Howser taped at the Long Beach desalination prototype plant.

11. **REPORT OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT (MWD) BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14, 2006**
- Helen Z. Hansen, MWD Director

Commissioner Hansen in her capacity as the City of Long Beach MWD Director, provided a report of the MWD Board of Director's meeting of November 14, 2006.

12. **NEW BUSINESS**

EXCUSED ABSENCE

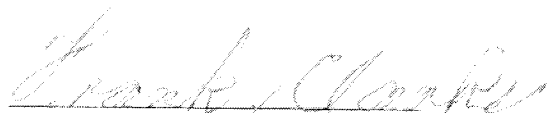
President Clarke excused Commissioner Hansen from the November 2nd 2006 Board meeting.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Clarke adjourned the meeting at 11:09 a.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Water Commission to be held on Thursday, December 7, 2006, at 9:15 a.m., in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 1800 E. Wardlow, in Long Beach, California


Lillian Y. Kawasaki, Secretary

Attest:


Frank Clarke, President