CITY OF LONG BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2011 333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM

Charles Durnin, Chair Donita Van Horik, Vice-Chair



Becky Blair, Commissioner Alan Fox, Commissioner Leslie Gentile, Commissioner Phil Saumur, Commissioner Melani Smith, Commissioner

FINAL AGENDA AND MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:10 PM)

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At 5:10 p.m., Chair Durnin called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:10 PM)

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

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator; Jill Griffiths, Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner; Jorge Ramirez, Project Planner; Steven Valdez, Project Planner; Sandra Gonzalez, Manager of Planning and Development for Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE (5:11 PM)

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Commissioner Saumur led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:12 PM)

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11-003PL

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of January 6, 2011.

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

Yes: 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile and Becky Blair

Abstain: 1 - Donita Van Horik

Absent: 1 - Melani Smith

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:13 PM)

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

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

(Commissioner Smith arrived at 5:19 p.m.)

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:21 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.

CONSENT CALENDAR (5:21 PM)

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1. <u>11-004PL</u>

Recommendation to approve a finding of conformity with the adopted General Plan for a vacation of public right-of-way adjacent to 5855-5865 Naples Plaza within the CNP zone. (District 3) (Application No. 1101-11)

In response to a request from Chair Durnin, Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner, provided a brief background for the project.

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

Yes: 7 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

REGULAR AGENDA (5:25 PM)

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2. 11-005PL Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit request to attach

a 69-square-foot electronic message center sign to an existing pole sign located at 198 W. Artesia Boulevard (District 9) (Application No. 1008-14)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Jorge Ramirez, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

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

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Fox.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to comments made by Commissioner Smith.

Chris Bolster, applicant, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chris Bolster and Commissioner Fox.

Roger Holley, applicant, responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Jorge Ramirez responded to a query from Chair Durnin.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Chair Durnin.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Larry Goodhue provided public comment.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to comments made by Larry Goodhue.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Chair Durnin spoke.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

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

Yes: 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith and Becky Blair

No: 2 - Alan L. Fox and Donita Van Horik

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3. 11-006PL

Recommendation to deny the Appeal and uphold the Zoning Administrator's decision to approve a Local Coastal Development Permit to remove and replace an existing electronic switchboard and feeders that service restrooms and lighting in Marina Vista Park located at 5350 Colorado Street in PD-1, sub-area 32. (District 3) (Application No. 1009-14)

Commissioners Gentile and Smith recused themselves from the item.

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

Sandra Gonzalez, Manager of Planning and Development, Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine, spoke.

Sandra Gonzalez responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Sandra Gonzalez.

Sandra Gonzalez responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Sandra Gonzalez responded to gueries from Chair Durnin.

Larry Goodhue, appellant, spoke.

Sandra Gonzalez responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Chair Durnin spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Sandra Gonzalez responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, spoke.

Chair Durnin spoke.

Sandra Gonzalez spoke.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Chair Durnin.

A motion was made by Commissioner Van Horik, seconded by Commissioner Saumur, to continue the item to the meeting of April 7, 2011, to allow staff time to prepare an alternative analysis. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Excused: 2 - Leslie Fernald Gentile and Melani Smith

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (6:20 PM)

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Larry Goodhue spoke.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (6:25 PM)

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Chair Durnin spoke.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to a request made by Chair Durnin.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Michael Mais responded to a guery from Commissioner Van Horik.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, responded to comments made by Commissioner Fox.

Chair Durnin spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Amy Bodek and Derek Burnham responded to comments from Commissioner Van Horik.

ADJOURNMENT (6:45 PM)

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At 6:45 p.m., Chair Durnin adjourned the meeting.

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