# CITY OF LONG BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2012 333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM

Becky Blair, Chair Alan Fox, Vice Chair



Leslie Gentile, Commissioner Phil Saumur, Commissioner Melani Smith, Commissioner Donita Van Horik, Commissioner

#### FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

## CALL TO ORDER (5:04 PM)

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At 5:04 p.m., Chair Blair called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:04 PM)

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Commissioners Alan L. Fox, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Donita

Present: Van Horik and Becky Blair

Commissioners Melani Smith

Absent:

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator; Jill Griffiths, Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Lynette Ferenczy, Planner; Jeff Winklepleck, Planner; Steven Valdez, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

## FLAG SALUTE (5:04 PM)

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Commissioner Saumur led the flag salute.

**MINUTES (5:05 PM)** 

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12-010PL Re

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of January 19, 2012.

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

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

**Becky Blair** 

Excused: 1 - Leslie Fernald Gentile

Absent: 1 - Melani Smith

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

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There was no Director's Report given.

# **SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:06 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.

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

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**1.** 12-011PL

Recommendation to approve Tentative Parcel Map No. 71382 to subdivide one vacant lot into two lots located at 125 Linden Avenue within the Downtown Planned Development District (PD-30). (District 2) (Application No. 1111-11B)

Chair Blair recused herself from the item. Vice Chair Fox chaired the item.

Lynette Ferenczy, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Lynette Ferenczy responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Derek Burnham responded to gueries from Vice Chair Fox.

Vice Chair Fox swore in the applicants.

Jim Najah and John Mars, applicants, responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Jim Najah and John Mars responded to a query from Vice Chair Fox.

John Mars responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

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

**Yes:** 4 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Leslie Fernald Gentile and Donita Van Horik

Excused: 1 - Becky Blair

Absent: 1 - Melani Smith

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## **2.** <u>12-012PL</u>

Recommendation to recommend that City Council approve a street name change from West Coast Choppers Place to Oregon Avenue for the street section between Anaheim Street and 12th Street. (District 1) (Application No. 0910-10)

Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Chair Blair spoke.

Larry Boland presented public comment.

Vice Chair Fox spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, responded to a query from Chair Blair.

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

**Yes:** 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Absent: 1 - Melani Smith

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#### **3.** 12-013PL

Recommendation to deny the appeal by James Hannigan and uphold the Zoning Administrator's decision to approve a one- year (12/29/11 to 12/29/12) time extension request to extend the expiration of an approved Site Plan Review and Conditional Use Permit for a proposed 65-unit senior assisted living facility located at 3655 Elm Avenue in the R-4-U zone. (District 8) (Application No. 1111-10A)

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

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, spoke.

Jim Hannigan, appellant, spoke.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Chair Blair.

Jim Hannigan spoke.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Chair Blair.

Jim Hannigan spoke.

Jim Hannigan responded to a query from Chair Blair.

Michael Mais spoke.

Victor De La Cruz, representing the applicant, spoke.

Victor De La Cruz responded to queries from Vice Chair Fox.

Victor De La Cruz responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Victor De La Cruz responded to queries from Commissioner Gentile.

Dean Isaacson, applicant, spoke.

Dean Isaacson responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Dean Isaacson responded to a query from Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services.

Dean Isaacson responded to a guery from Commissioner Van Horik.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Chair Blair.

Jim Hannigan spoke.

Jim Hannigan responded to queries from Vice Chair Fox.

Odette Harrow provided public comment.

Chair Blair responded to a query from Odette Harrow.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Odette Harrow.

Amy Bodek spoke.

Jonathan Kraus, Chief of Staff for Councilmember Rae Gabelich, spoke.

John Edmonds, Chief of Staff for Councilmember Dee Andrews, spoke.

Mike Kowal provided public comment.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Mike Kowal.

Chair Blair spoke.

Yetta Kane provided public comment.

Dean Isaacson spoke.

James Hannigan provided public comment.

Michael Mais responded to gueries from Vice Chair Fox.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Vice Chair Fox.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Michael Mais responded to comments from Commissioner Saumur.

Vice Chair Fox spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to gueries from Chair Blair.

Chair Blair spoke.

Michael Mais spoke.

Vice Chair Fox spoke.

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

Yes: 3 - Alan L. Fox, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

No: 2 - Phillip Joseph Saumur and Leslie Fernald Gentile

Absent: 1 - Melani Smith

# **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (7:11 PM)**

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Jim Hannigan provided public comment.

Vice Chair Fox responded to comments made by Jim Hannigan.

# **COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (7:12 PM)**

There were no comments from the Commission.

# **ADJOURNMENT (7:12 PM)**

At 7:12 p.m., Chair Blair adjourned the meeting.

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