

LONG BEACH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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August 21, 2006

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEMBERS
City of Long Beach
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RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to approve and authorize the Executive Director to waive Redevelopment Agency design review authority for expansion of the 24-Hour Fitness Club at 100 Oceangate Plaza. (West Beach – District 2)

DISCUSSION

The Redevelopment Agency has recently been contacted by Legacy Partners, owner of 100 Oceangate Plaza (Exhibit A – Site Map), about plans to expand their complex for an enlarged 24-Hour Fitness Club with additional parking. While there is no Redevelopment Agency involvement in this project, it does fall to the Agency for design review per the adopted policy, since it is located in the West Beach Redevelopment Project Area.

This adopted policy also allows the Executive Director to waive the design review authority. Staff is proposing to exercise this option for this project. To do so will streamline the process for the property owner who has expressed a desire to have the design review and planning processes integrated if possible. Design review will be administered by the Planning Department and Stephanie Reich, the City's Urban Design Officer, who is experienced in architectural design.

Staff has taken a preliminary look at the project and believes that it will have minimal impact on the urban design of the downtown area.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

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Respectfully submitted,

PATRICK H. WEST EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

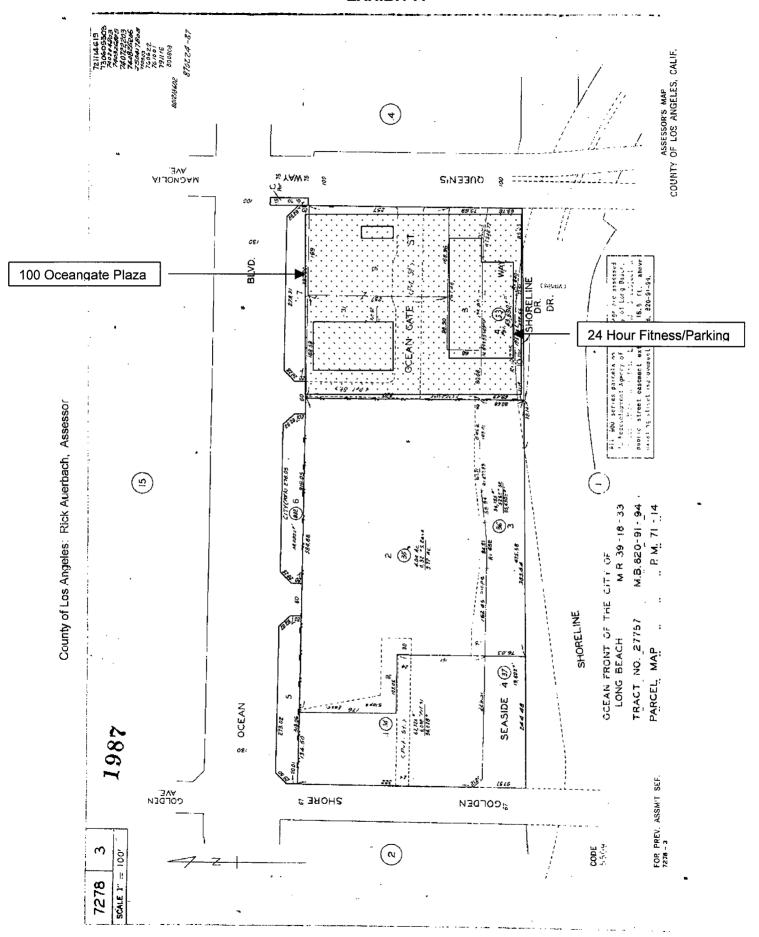
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APPROVED:

GERALD R. MILLER
CITY MANAGER

Attachment: Exhibit A - Site Map

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