CITY OF LONG BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, JULY 21, 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

FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:09 PM)

At 5:09 p.m., Chair Durnin called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:09 PM)

Boardmembers Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Phillip Joseph

Present: Saumur, Melani Smith and Becky Blair

Boardmembers Donita Van Horik

Absent:

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator; Amy Burton, Deputy City Attorney; Ira Brown, Project Planner; Cuentin Jackson, Project Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE (5:09 PM)

Commissioner Saumur led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:10 PM)

11-038PL

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of July 7, 2011.

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

Yes: 4 - Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Melani Smith and Becky Blair

Abstain: 2 - Leslie Fernald Gentile and Phillip Joseph Saumur

Absent: 1 - Donita Van Horik

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:10 PM)

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

Amy Burton, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:12 PM)

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 (5:12 PM)

1. 11-039PL

Recommendation to recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution certifying the Local Development Report and its conformance with the Congestion Management Program. (Citywide)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Ira Brown, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Ira Brown responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Ira Brown responded to queries from Commissioner Smith.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

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

Yes: 6 - Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith and Becky Blair

Absent: 1 - Donita Van Horik

2. 11-042PL

Recommendation to receive and file the 2010 Annual Report for the Housing Element and instruct the Director of Development Services to submit the Annual Report to the City Council, State Office of Planning and Research and California Department of Housing and Community Development. (Citywide)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Ira Brown, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Derek Burnham.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Smith and Amy Bodek,

Director of Development Services.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Amy Bodek.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Chair Durnin.

Chair Durnin spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Gary Shelton provided public comment.

Amy Bodek responded to comments made by Gary Shelton.

Amy Bodek responded to queries from Commissioner Fox.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Gentile.

Chair Durnin spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the recommendation with an amendment that staff present a follow-up on the RHNA figures presented in the staff report. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith and Becky Blair

Absent: 1 - Donita Van Horik

3. 11-040PL

Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit to allow an existing used car dealership to continue operation in compliance with performance standards codified in Long Beach Boulevard Planned Development District (PD-29). The used car dealership is located at 2180 Long Beach Boulevard. (District 6) (Application No. 1103-20)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, spoke.

Cuentin Jackson, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Derek Burnham.

Abdul Adam, applicant, spoke.

Abdul Adam responded to a query from Chair Durnin.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur, Abdul Adam, and

Derek Burnham.

Abdul Adam responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Smith and Abdul Adam.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Chair Durnin.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Smith.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Amy Burton, Deputy City Attorney, responded to comments made by Commissioner Fox.

A dialogue ensued between Derek Burnham and Commissioner Fox.

Chair Durnin spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Abdul Adam.

Amy Bodek and Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Blair.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Abdul Adam responded to a comments made by Commissioner Gentile.

Chair Durnin spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to comments made by Chair Durnin.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Abdul Adam and Commissioner Saumur.

Lal Akatrai, Hallmark Properties, provided public comment.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Derek Burnham.

Chair Durnin spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Commissioner Saumur, to approve the recommendation with an amendment that the conditions be implemented within twelve months of approval. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Charles Durnin, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith and Becky Blair

No: 2 - Alan L. Fox and Leslie Fernald Gentile

Absent: 1 - Donita Van Horik

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (6:55 PM)

There was no public comment given.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (6:55 PM)

Derek Burnham responded to a comment made by Commissioner Blair.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Smith.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Chair Durnin.

ADJOURNMENT (7:00 PM)

At 7:00 p.m., Chair Durnin adjourned the meeting.

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