

William Baker, Chair
Diane Arnold, Vice Chair
John Cross, Member
Teer L. Strickland, Member



John W. Thomas, Member
James Thompson III, Member
Vivian Tobias, Member

FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING - 8:30 A.M. - COUNCIL LOUNGE

ROLL CALL

Boardmembers Present: Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, John Thomas,

Present: James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

Boardmembers Absent: Teer L. Strickland

Absent:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

09-001R A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - Government Code §54956.9 (a). Copp Contracting, Inc. vs. Redevelopment Agency of the City of Long Beach.

It was unanimously agreed that when the meeting adjourn, it be adjourned to an Executive Session pursuant to the California Government Code §54956.8 for the purpose of a conference with the Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - Government Code §54956.9 (a) regarding Copp Contracting, Inc. vs. Redevelopment Agency of the City of Long Beach.

This RDA-Agenda Item was receive and file.

ROLL CALL

Boardmembers Present: Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland,

Present: John Thomas, James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

ALSO PRESENT: Craig Beck, Executive Director; Amy Bodek, Assistant Executive Director; Heather Mahood, Chief Assistant City Attorney; Jamilla Vollmann, Development Project Manager; Carl Morgan, Redevelopment Project Officer; Barbi Clark, Development Project Manager; Aldo Schindler, Redevelopment Project Officer; Erika Martin, Administrative Analyst; Tony Foster, Development Project Manager; David White, Redevelopment Project Officer; Lisa Fall, Redevelopment Administrator; Thelinjoris Roberts, Clerk Typist III; and Carolyn Harris, City Clerk Specialist.

Mayor Bob Foster thanked the Boardmembers for their cooperation, work, dedication, and continued support.

FLAG SALUTE

Boardmember Cross led in the flag salute.

09-011R Recommendation to receive and file Notice of Adjournment of the January 5, 2009 Regular Meeting of the City of Long Beach Redevelopment Agency.

A motion was made by Boardmember Thomas, seconded by Boardmember Tobias, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland, John Thomas, James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

09-012R Recommendation to receive and file Notice of Adjournment of the January 19, 2009 Regular Meeting of the City of Long Beach Redevelopment Agency.

A motion was made by Boardmember Cross, seconded by Vice Chair Arnold, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland, John Thomas, James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

09-002R **Recommendation to approve the Minutes for the meeting of December 15, 2008.**

Chair Baker spoke.

A motion was made by Boardmember Cross, seconded by Boardmember Thomas, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland and John Thomas

Abstain: 2 - James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

PROJECT AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

Martha Thuente, Chair, North Long Beach Redevelopment Project Area Committee, (NPAC), spoke.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Craig Beck, Executive Director, welcomed Thelinjoris Roberts, new staff member supporting RDA and the Planning Commission; and provided the Director's report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

There were no public comments.

PRESENTATION: ARTS COUNCIL FOR LONG BEACH QUARTERLY REPORT

Amy Bodek, Assistant Executive Director, introduced Leslie Markle, Director of Public Art, who provided a PowerPoint presentation of the Quarterly Report for Arts Council of Long Beach.

REGULAR AGENDA (1-8)

Chair Baker spoke.

1. 09-003R Recommendation to approve and authorize the Executive Director to enter into a Letter of Intent with the Judicial Council of California for the development of a regional courthouse in downtown Long Beach. (Central, Downtown and West Beach - Districts 1, 2)

Amy Bodek, Assistant Executive Director, provided opening remarks, and introduced Jamilla Vollmann, Development Project Manager, who presented the staff report.

Craig Beck, Executive Director, spoke.

Maureen Bailey, Vice President, Long Beach Heritage, spoke.

Boardmember Thomas spoke.

A motion was made by Boardmember Thomas to approve recommendation with a request to not demolish the Julian's Ship Supply building until the project is secured and has begun.

Craig Beck, Executive Director, responded to questions.

Boardmember Thompson spoke.

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Boardmember Thomas withdrew stipulations to not demolish the Julian's Ship Supply building suggested in previous motion and is in full support of the downtown Long Beach Courthouse.

Craig Beck, Executive Director, spoke.

Maureen Bailey, Vice President, Long Beach Heritage, spoke.

Chair Baker spoke.

A motion was made by Boardmember Thomas, seconded by Boardmember Cross, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland, John Thomas, James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

2. 09-004R Recommendation to receive and file a presentation on the proposed "Art Exchange" and authorize staff to move forward with conceptual plans, site plan review, and CEQA clearance for the project. (Downtown - District 2)

Amy Bodek, Assistant Executive Director, welcomed the public and introduced Carl Morgan, Redevelopment Project Officer, who presented the staff report.

Allen Pullman, Principal, Studio One Eleven, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed Art Exchange.

Carl Morgan, Redevelopment Project Officer, spoke.

Chair Baker spoke.

Phil Appleby, Downtown Long Beach Associates (DLBA), spoke.

Steve Elengar, resident, spoke.

Helene Ansel, Office of Senator Alan Lowenthal, spoke.

Alex Slato, boardmember of Art Exchange and senior executive member of Museum of Latin American Art, spoke.

Kraig Kojian, Downtown Long Beach Associates, spoke.

Chair Baker spoke.

Boardmember Thomas spoke.

Boardmember Cross spoke.

Craig Beck, Executive Director, spoke.

Boardmember Tobias spoke.

A motion was made by Boardmember Thomas, seconded by Boardmember Tobias, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland, John Thomas, James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

3. 09-005R Recommendation to approve and authorize the Executive Director to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with California State University, Long Beach to negotiate the development of the Broadway Block. (Downtown - District 2)

Amy Bodek, Executive Director, introduced Barbi Clark, Development Project Manager, who presented the staff report.

Boardmember Tobias spoke.

Amy Bodek, Assistant Executive Director, responded to questions.

A dialogue ensued between Boardmember Tobias and Amy Bodek, Assistant Executive Director.

Boardmember Cross spoke.

Amy Bodek, Assistant Executive Director, spoke.

Boardmember Strickland spoke.

Amy Bodek, Assistant Executive Director, spoke.

Boardmember Thomas spoke.

Amy Bodek, Assistant Executive Director, spoke.

Mary Stevens, Vice President, Administration Finance, California State University, Long Beach (CSULB), spoke.

Chair Baker spoke.

A motion was made by Boardmember Tobias, seconded by Boardmember Thomas, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland, John Thomas, James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

4. 09-006R Recommendation to approve and authorize the Executive Director to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement and all other related documents for the acquisition of properties at 5100-5110 Long Beach Boulevard for a purchase price of \$2,400,000 plus closing costs. (North - District 8)

Aldo Schindler, Redevelopment Project Officer, presented the staff report.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Arnold, seconded by Boardmember Thomas, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland, John Thomas, James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

5. 09-007R Recommendation to approve and authorize the Executive Director to enter into agreements with West Coast Choppers, Inc. and Patrick Vogel Designs, Inc. for decorative metal fabrication services. (All Project Areas - Citywide)

Erika Martin, Administrative Analyst, presented the staff report.

A motion was made by Boardmember Tobias, seconded by Boardmember Thomas, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland, John Thomas, James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

6. 09-008R Recommendation to approve and authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Mega Lighting, Inc., dba Mega Way Enterprises, in an amount not to exceed \$1,265,230 for the completion of improvements to Seaside Park. (Central - District 1)

Tony Foster, Development Project Manager, presented the staff report; and responded to questions.

Chair Baker spoke.

Pat Paris, Vice Chair, Central Long Beach Redevelopment Project Area Committee (CPAC), spoke.

David White, Redevelopment Project Officer, spoke.

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Craig Beck, Executive Director, spoke.

A motion was made by Boardmember Thompson III, seconded by Boardmember Cross, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland, John Thomas, James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

7. 09-009R Recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to amend project area budgets as necessary and submit the required Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund payment to the State as specified; and adopt a resolution finding that there are insufficient funds to make the payment required by Section 33685 of the Health and Safety Code unless funds from the Low and Moderate-Income Housing Fund are used.

(All Project Areas - Citywide)

Lisa Fall, Redevelopment Administrator, presented the staff report; and responded to questions.

Martha Thuyente, Chair, NPAC, spoke.

Craig Beck, Executive Director, spoke.

Dennis Thys, Director of Community Development and President, Long Beach Housing Development Company, spoke.

Chair Baker spoke.

Boardmember Thompson spoke.

Craig Beck, Executive Director, spoke.

A motion was made by Boardmember Tobias, seconded by Boardmember Thompson III, to approve recommendation and adopt Resolution No. R.A. 01-2009. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland, John Thomas, James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

8. 09-010R Recommendation to approve and authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with City Light and Power, Inc. to install pedestrian lighting in an amount not to exceed \$1,033,200. (Central - District 2)

Jamilla Vollmann, Development Project Manager, presented the staff report; and responded to questions.

Boardmember Tobias spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Boardmember Tobias and Jamilla Vollmann, Development Project Manager.

Boardmember Thompson spoke.

Boardmember Tobias spoke.

Boardmember Thomas spoke.

Chair Baker spoke.

Pat Paris, CPAC, spoke.

Richard Lewis, East Village resident, spoke.

Kraig Kojian, DLBA, spoke.

Boardmember Thompson spoke.

Jamilla Vollmann, Development Project Manager, spoke.

Chair Baker spoke.

A motion was made by Boardmember Thomas, seconded by Boardmember Cross, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Diane L. Arnold, William E. Baker, John Cross, Teer L. Strickland, John Thomas, James Thompson III and Vivian Marie Tobias

COMMENTS FROM REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARDMEMBERS

There were no comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:53 A.M., there being no objection, Chair Baker declared the meeting adjourned in honor of Boardmember Arnold's mother.

William Baker, Chair

Craig Beck, Executive Director