

**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
F. PHIL INFELISE, PRESIDENT  
APRIL 27, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 27, 2011, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** F. Phil Infelise, Jeanne Karatsu, Carolyn Smith Watts, Gerald Good

**MEMBER EXCUSED:** Charles Hicks Jr.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mario R. Beas, Executive Director & Secretary  
Melinda George, Deputy Director  
Adam Meirovitz, Acting Executive Assistant  
Salvador Ambriz, Personnel Analyst  
Debbie McCluster, Personnel Analyst  
Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst  
Robert Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst  
Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst  
Donna de Araujo, Assistant Administrative Analyst  
Tara Brewer, Personnel Analyst, Human Resources

**President F. Phil Infelise presided.**

**MINUTES:** It was moved by Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of April 20, 2011, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

It was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the Dismissal Appeals 15-D-910 and 16-D-910 hearing minutes of February 2, 9 & 16, March 2, 23 & 30, 2011, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the Dismissal Appeal 12-D-910 hearing minutes of March 16 & April 13, 2011, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**CONSENT CALENDAR (2-4):** It was moved by Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the Consent

Calendar items be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**EXAMINATION RESULTS:**

Request to approve examination results.

Fire Engineer – 26 Applied, 7 Qualified  
Senior Program Manager - Harbor – 23 Applied,  
15 Qualified

**The motion was made to approve request on Consent Calendar.**

**RETIREMENTS:**

Request to receive and file retirements.

Michael Grauten/Carpenter/Public Works

**The motion was made to receive and file on Consent Calendar.**

**SCHEDULE FOR HEARINGS:**

Request to approve hearings schedule.

Dismissal Hearing 30-D-910, September 8 & 12, 2011  
Dismissal Hearing 30-D-910, September 8 & 12, 2011

**The motion was made to approve hearing schedule on Consent Calendar.**

**REQUEST FOR PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT:**

The Secretary presented a communication from J.C Squires, Manager of Finance and Administration, Airport, requesting Commission authorization to appoint Leon Blum, to the classification of Airport Public Affairs Assistant on a provisional basis. Claudia Lewis, Administrative Officer, Airport, was present and answered Commission questions. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the request be granted in accordance with Civil Service Commission Policy 1.02 and Section 43 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**REQUEST FOR SELECTIVE CERTIFICATION:**

The Secretary presented a communication from David Nakamoto, Acting Director, Financial Management, requesting Commission authorization for the selective certification of individuals from the Administrative Aide eligible list with technical financial experience. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Good,

seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the request be approved, pursuant to Section 28 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**PROTEST OF DISQUALIFICATION  
FROM EXAMINATION:**

The Secretary presented a communication from Gilberto Contreras, requesting Commission approval to participate in the Development Project Manager examination. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst. Ms. McDonald briefed the Commission regarding this request. Mr. Contreras addressed the Commission and answered Commission questions. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the request be granted. The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

AYE: Gerald Good

NAY: Jeanne Karatsu  
Carolyn Smith Watts  
F. Phil Infelise

**REQUEST TO FILE  
LATE APPLICATION:**

The Secretary presented a communication from Sashi Muralidharan, requesting Commission approval to file a late application for Development Project Manager. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst. Mr. Muralidharan addressed the Commission and answered questions. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the request be granted. The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

AYE: Gerald Good

NAY: Jeanne Karatsu  
Carolyn Smith Watts  
F. Phil Infelise

**REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE  
IN EXAMINATION BY  
DISMISSED EMPLOYEE:**

The Secretary presented a Request to File for Civil Service Examination(s) by Dismissed Employee from Ramon Garcia. The Secretary advised the Commission that he would be eligible to apply for any future examinations should this request be approved. Mr. Garcia addressed the Commission. After discussion, it was moved by

Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the request be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**BULLETIN:**

**ELECTRICAL ENGINEER**

It was moved by Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the subject Job Opportunity Bulletin be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**MANAGERS' REPORT:**

Melinda George, Deputy Director, informed the Commission that staff is working with Long Beach City College to use their facilities to run the Refuse Operator exam at Veteran's Stadium.

The Secretary informed the Commission that they will have a tour of the Emergency Communications Operation Center on May 18, 2011. The Long Beach Water Treatment Plant volunteered their facility to hold our Commission meeting on that date. He also informed the Commission that next Tuesday is the annual Police and Fire Memorial at the Civic Center Plaza area.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the Commission, President Infelise adjourned the meeting.



MARIO R. BEAS  
Secretary

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**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
F. PHIL INFELISE, PRESIDENT  
MAY 4, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 4, 2011, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** F. Phil Infelise, Carolyn Smith Watts, Charles Hicks Jr.

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Jeanne Karatsu, Gerald Good

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Melinda George, Deputy Director, Acting Secretary  
Marilyn Hall, Executive Assistant  
Salvador Ambriz, Personnel Analyst  
Debbie McCluster, Personnel Analyst  
Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst  
Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst  
Donna de Araujo, Assistant Administrative Analyst  
Ken Walker, Personnel Operations Manager, Human Resources

**President F. Phil Infelise presided.**

**MINUTES:** The regular meeting minutes of April 27, 2011, were held over due to lack of a quorum for that meeting.

**CONSENT CALENDAR (2-6):** It was moved by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the Consent Calendar items be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**EXAMINATION RESULTS:** Request to approve examination results.

Development Project Manager – 47 Applied, 10 Qualified  
Electrician – 13 – Applied, 13 Qualified  
Hazardous Materials Specialist – 32 – Applied, 15 Qualified

**The motion was made to approve request on Consent Calendar.**

**EXTENSION OF EXPIRING ELIGIBLE LISTS:** Request to extend the following eligible lists for an additional six months, except where otherwise noted:

Aquatics Supervisor (1 Month)  
Clerk Typist (3 months)  
Deputy Fire Marshal

Microbiologist  
Police Recruit  
Public Health Nutritionist (5/19/10 & 5/26/10)  
Registered Nurse  
Senior Civil Engineer (11/10/10, 11/17/10 & 12/1/10)

**The motion was made to approve request on Consent Calendar.**

**RETIREMENTS:**

Request to receive and file retirements.

John Bennett/Harbor Maintenance Mechanic II/Harbor  
Hope Troy/General Librarian/Library  
Albert Hippert/Special Services Officer II/Public Works

**The motion was made to receive and file on Consent Calendar.**

**RESIGNATIONS:**

Request to receive and file resignations.

Shatonjala Griggs/Housing Specialist II/Health  
Maggie Hui/Public Health Nutritionist II/Health

**The motion was made to receive and file on Consent Calendar.**

**SCHEDULE FOR HEARINGS:**

Request to approve hearing schedule.

Suspension Hearing 04-S-1011, June 3, 2011  
Suspension Hearing 10-S-1011, June 10, 2011  
Suspension Hearing 15-S-1011, June 17, 2011  
Suspension Hearing 16-S-1011, June 24, 2011  
Suspension Hearing 07-S-1011, July 8, 2011

**The motion was made to approve hearing schedule on Consent Calendar.**

**MANAGERS' REPORT:**

The Secretary informed the Commission that Mr. Beas was at the Miller Center conducting Performance Evaluation Training for the City's Supervisory Leadership Academy.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the Commission,  
President Infelise adjourned the meeting.

  
MELINDA GEORGE  
Acting Secretary

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Charles Durnin, Chair  
Donita Van Horik, Vice-Chair



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

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## FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER (5:05 PM)

At 5:05 p.m., Chair Durnin called the meeting to order.

### ROLL CALL (5:05 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; Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner; Scott Kinsey, Project Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

### FLAG SALUTE (5:05 PM)

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Commissioner Fox led the flag salute.

### MINUTES (5:05 PM)

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11-017PL

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

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

**Yes:** 6 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

**Abstain:** 1 - Alan L. Fox

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:06 PM)**

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

**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. 11-019PL Recommendation to approve a Local Coastal Development Permit and a Tentative Parcel Map to subdivide an existing one-lot, 18.2-acre shopping center (Long Beach Market Place) into two lots (17 acres and 1.2 acres) located at 6411 E. Pacific Coast Highway within Subarea 18 of PD-1 (SEADIP). (District 3) (Application No. 1102-03)

Commissioner Blair recused herself from the item.

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Gentile and Jeff Winklepleck.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Gentile.

Ungar Kim, Applicant, introduced himself.

Tom McDougal, representing the engineering company for the project, introduced himself.

Ungar Kim and Tom McDougal responded to queries from Chair Durnin.

Ungar Kim responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Gentile.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Gentile and Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Tom McDougal responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Mel Nutter, representing Los Cerritos Wetlands Land Trust, 200 Oceangate, Suite 850, provided public comment.

Janice Dahl, representing Los Cerritos Wetlands Land Trust, 6212 E. Vista Street, provided public comment.

Sandy Van Horne, representing Our Town Long Beach, no address given, provided public comment.

Mary Parcell, representing the El Dorado Audubon Society, no address given, provided public comment.

Elizabeth Lambe, representing Los Cerritos Wetlands Land Trust, no address given, provided public comment.

Gordana Kajer, 235 Loma Avenue, provided public comment.

Ungar Kim responded to remarks made during public comment.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Derek Burnham.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Michael Mais spoke.

Chair Durnin spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gentile, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to deny a Local Coastal Development Permit and a Tentative Parcel Map due to the difficulty in traffic circulation caused by the proximity to the wetlands and existing buildings and also due to possible unknown future environmental damages. Direct staff to prepare negative findings and bring back to the Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith and Donita Van Horik

**No:** 1 - Alan L. Fox

**Excused:** 1 - Becky Blair

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2. 11-020PL

Recommendation to concur with the Zoning Administrator's Classification of Use determination, and receive and file for final action, as follows: find that the use of metal shipping containers as a building material is suitable for residential zoning districts, subject to certain design criteria, and not prohibited under the provisions of Section 21.31.255(B) and (C). (Citywide) (Application No. 1102-04)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Scott Kinsey, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Scott Kinsey responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox, Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, and Derek Burnham.

Scott Kinsey responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Derek Burnham.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Peter DeMaria, Project Architect, spoke.

Peter DeMaria responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Peter DeMaria responded to queries from Chair Durnin.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Peter DeMaria.

Peter DeMaria responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Judith Bailey, 2170 San Francisco Avenue, provided public comment.

Carolyn Hedges, 2167 San Francisco Avenue, provided public comment.

Carolyn Hedges responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Kathleen Reyes, 2172 San Francisco Avenue, provided public comment.

Chris Haw, 2185 San Francisco Avenue, provided public comment.

Jon Glasgow, representing the American Institute of Architects, 4235 Vermont Street, provided public comment.

Benetta Johnson, Executive Director of the Alameda Corridor Jobs Coalition, no address given, provided public comment.

Joachin Arias and Roberta Kato, owners of 2175 San Francisco Avenue, provided public comment.

Roberta Kato and Joachin Arias responded to queries from Commissioner Gentile.

Michael Mais spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Blair, to approve the recommendation with an amendment to add a Site Plan Review requirement.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to comments made by Commissioner Saumur.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Gentile.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to comments by Commissioner Fox.

Chair Durnin requested that a friendly amendment be made to the motion on the floor, that the use of shipping containers be allowed for the construction of new homes, but in the instance of a remodel, the Site Plan Review would require that the container be finished on the exterior in a way that is consistent with the primary architecture of the home that is being remodeled.

Commissioner Smith did not accept the amendment.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Durnin, seconded by Commissioner Saumur, to allow the use of shipping containers for construction of new homes, but in the instance of a remodel, the Site Plan Review would require that the container be finished on the exterior in a way that is consistent with the primary architecture of the home that is being remodeled.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

The motion failed 2-5.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Blair, to approve the recommendation with an amendment to add a Site Plan Review requirement. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 4 - Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

**No:** 3 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox and Charles Durnin

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (7:20 PM)**

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There was no public comment given.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (7:20 PM)**

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A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Durnin and Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Commissioner Gentile.

Amy Bodek responded to a comment by Commissioner Gentile.

Amy Bodek responded to a comment by Commissioner Van Horik.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

**ADJOURNMENT (7:30 PM)**

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At 7:30 p.m., Chair Durnin adjourned the meeting.

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