

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM**

Donita Van Horik, Chair
Erick Verduzco-Vega, Vice Chair
Mark Christoffels, Commissioner
Ron Cruz, Commissioner



Richard Lewis, Commissioner
Andy Perez, Commissioner
Jane Templin, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

At 5:08 p.m., Chair Van Horik called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Richard Lewis, Andy Perez, Jane Templin and Donita Van Horik
Present:

Commissioners Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz and Erick Verduzco-Vega
Absent:

Also present: Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager; Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer; Christopher Koontz, Advance Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Jorge Ramirez, Planner; Gina Casillas, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Planning Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Lewis led the flag salute.

MINUTES

17-001PL Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of January 5, 2017.

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

Yes: 4 - Richard Lewis, Andy Perez, Jane Templin and Donita Van Horik

Absent: 3 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz and Erick Verduzco-Vega

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager, provided the Directors Report.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES

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

1. 17-003PL Recommendation to accept Categorical Exemption CE 16-274 and approve a Conditional Use Permit request to allow the sale of beer for off-site consumption at a brewery satellite tasting room located at 3768 Long Beach Boulevard, Unit 110, within the Commercial Automobile-Oriented (CCA) zone. (District 7) (Application No. 1611-19)

Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer, introduced Jorge Ramirez, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Laurie Porter, applicant, co-owner Smog City Brewery, spoke.

Commissioner Perez spoke.

Laurie Porter spoke.

Blair Cohn, Bixby Knolls Improvement Association, provided public comment.

Sherman Greenspan provided public comment.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager, responded to a query from Chair Van Horik.

Commissioner Perez spoke.

Christopher Koontz, Advance Planning Officer, responded to a query from Commissioner Perez.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

Christopher Koontz responded to comments by Chair Van Horik.

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

Yes: 4 - Richard Lewis, Andy Perez, Jane Templin and Donita Van Horik

Absent: 3 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz and Erick Verduzco-Vega

2. 17-002PL

Recommendation to recommend that the City Council adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration 16-16 and approve a Zone Change for three parcels located at 2640 N. Lakewood Boulevard, 2610 N. Lakewood Boulevard and 4141-4217 Willow Street from Regional Highway District (CHW) zone to Willow Street Center Planned Development District (PD-27), a Conditional Use Permit, and Site Plan Review for the construction of a new six-story hotel (Staybridge Suites) located at 2640 N. Lakewood Boulevard. (District 5) (Application No. 1505-20)

Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer, introduced Gina Casillas, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

Gina Casillas responded to queries from Commissioner Lewis.

Heather Lee, representing the applicant, spoke.

Iris Heimert, Long Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau, provided public comment.

Joshua Castellanos, President and CEO, Greater Lakewood Chamber of Commerce, provided public comment.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Gina Casillas responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

Gina Casillas responded to a query from Chair Van Horik.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

Carrie Tai responded to a query from Chair Van Horik.

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

Yes: 4 - Richard Lewis, Andy Perez, Jane Templin and Donita Van Horik

Absent: 3 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz and Erick Verduzco-Vega

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public comment.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:48 p.m., Chair Van Horik adjourned the meeting.

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