

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2017
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM**

Erick Verduzco-Vega, Chair
Richard Lewis, Vice Chair
Mark Christoffels, Commissioner



Ron Cruz, Commissioner
Josh LaFarga, Commissioner
Andy Perez, Commissioner
Jane Templin, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

At 5:00 p.m., Chair Verduzco-Vega called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz, Josh LaFarga, Andy Perez, Jane
Present: Templin, Richard Lewis and Erick Verduzco-Vega

Also present: Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager; Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer;
Christopher Koontz, Advance Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Cuentin
Jackson, Planner; Craig Chalfant, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Christoffels led the flag salute.

MINUTES

17-079PL Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes
of October 19, 2017.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Templin, seconded by
Vice Chair Lewis, to approve the recommendation. The motion
carried by the following vote:**

Yes: 7 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz, Josh LaFarga, Andy Perez, Jane Templin, Richard Lewis and Erick Verduzco-Vega

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager, presented the Director's Report.

Vice Chair Lewis spoke.

Linda Tatum responded to a query from Vice Chair Lewis.

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.

CONTINUED ITEM

1. 17-077PL Recommendation to accept Categorical Exemption CE17-134 and approve a Conditional Use Permit (CUP17-010) to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption (ABC Type 41 License) at an existing movie theater located in a shopping center (Long Beach Towne Center), located at 7501 E. Carson Street within the Community Automobile-Oriented (CCA) District. (District 5) (Application No. 1705-17)

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager, responded to queries from Commissioner Templin.

A motion was made by Commissioner Christoffels, seconded by Commissioner Perez, to continue the item to a date uncertain. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz, Josh LaFarga, Andy Perez, Jane Templin, Richard Lewis and Erick Verduzco-Vega

REGULAR AGENDA

2. 17-080PL Recommendation to approve a Site Plan Review (SPR17-017) for the construction of a new seven-story mixed-use development with 82 apartment units and 4,091 square feet of commercial retail space over a four-level parking garage located at 135 Linden Avenue within the Downtown Planned Development District (PD-30). (District 2) (Application No. 1709-49)

Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer, introduced Cuentin Jackson, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Cuentin Jackson responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Andrew Ranallo, applicant, spoke.

David Hibber, architect, spoke.

Andrew Ranallo spoke.

Vice Chair Lewis spoke.

Andrew Ranallo responded to queries from Vice Chair Lewis.

Debbie Dobias, President of TAPS, provided public comment.

Anne Proffit provided public comment.

Adam Carrillo, Economic Development Manager, Downtown Long Beach Alliance, provided public comment.

Josh Steiner provided public comment.

Joe Cross provided public comment.

Michelle Paktakan provided public comment.

Melinda Hines provided public comment.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Cuentin Jackson responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Carrie Tai responded to queries from Commissioner Christoffels.

Vice Chair Lewis spoke.

Linda Tatum responded to queries from Vice Chair Lewis.

Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

Carrie Tai responded to a query from Chair Verduzco-Vega.

Vice Chair Lewis spoke.

Carrie Tai responded to a query from Vice Chair Lewis.

Commissioner Cruz spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Cruz and Carrie Tai.

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

Yes: 7 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz, Josh LaFarga, Andy Perez, Jane Templin, Richard Lewis and Erick Verduzco-Vega

3. 17-081PL Recommendation to adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration ND 09-17 and approve a Site Plan Review (SPR17-067) for construction of an approximately 6,480-square-foot building addition to the east of the existing community center at Houghton Park, located at 6301 Myrtle Avenue in the Park (P) zone. (District 9) (Application No. 1708-13)

Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer, introduced Craig Chalfant, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

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

Vice Chair Lewis spoke.

Christopher Koontz responded to a query from Vice Chair Lewis.

Eric Lopez, Project Management Officer, Department of Public Works, responded to a query from Vice Chair Lewis.

Commissioner Perez spoke.

Christopher Koontz responded to a query from Commissioner Perez.

Eric Lopez spoke.

Rania Alomar, RA-DA Architects, spoke.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Rania Alomar responded to queries from Commissioner Templin.

Vice Chair Lewis spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Lewis and Rania Alomar.

Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

Rania Alomar responded to a query from Chair Verduzco-Vega.

Christopher Koontz spoke.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Tony Resendez, Capital Projects Coordinator, Department of Public Works, responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Eric Lopez spoke.

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

Yes: 7 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz, Josh LaFarga, Andy Perez, Jane Templin, Richard Lewis and Erick Verduzco-Vega

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no comments from the public.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION

There were no additional comments from the Planning Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:10 p.m., Chair Verduzco-Vega adjourned the meeting.

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