

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2019  
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM**

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



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

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**FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Lewis called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Also present: Linda Tatum, Director of Development Services; Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Alexis Oropeza, Current Planning Officer; Nick Vasuthasawat, Planner; Dionne Bearden, Secretary.

**Commissioners** Josh LaFarga, Jane Templin, Richard Lewis and Erick  
**Present:** Verduzco-Vega

**Commissioners** Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz and Andy Perez  
**Absent:**

**FLAG SALUTE**

Commissioner Verduzco-Vega lead the flag salute.

**MINUTES**

[19-030PL](#)

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission Minutes of April 4, 2019.

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

**Yes:** 4 - Josh LaFarga, Jane Templin, Richard Lewis and Erick Verduzco-Vega

**Absent:** 3 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz and Andy Perez

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, presented the Director's 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. [19-029PL](#) Recommendation to determine that the project is within the scope of the project previously analyzed under the Long Beach Memorial Medical Center Environmental Impact Report (LBMMC EIR) filed under State Clearinghouse No. 2004081142 and Addendum to the LBMMC EIR (Addendum EIR) and warrants no further environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162; and approve Site Plan Review (SPR19-004) to construct an 80,000-square-foot, four-story medical office building located at 2701 Atlantic Avenue in the Midtown Specific Plan (SP-1-M) District. (District 6)

Alexis Oropeza, Current Planning Officer, introduced Nick Vasuthasawat, Planner, who presented the staff report.

Chair Lewis spoke.

Damon Barda, architect, spoke.

Chair Lewis spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Lewis and Damon Barda, architect.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Verduzco-Vega, seconded by Commissioner Templin, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 4 - Josh LaFarga, Jane Templin, Richard Lewis and Erick Verduzco-Vega

**Absent:** 3 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz and Andy Perez

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Members of the public are invited to address the Planning Commission on items of interest to the public within the Commission's jurisdiction. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes unless that time is extended by the Chair.

No comments from the public.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

Commissioner Verduzco-Vega spoke.

Chair Lewis spoke.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 5:21 p.m., Chair Lewis adjourned the meeting.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: May 2, 2019 - 5:00 p.m.

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