

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 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

SPECIAL MEETING

FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

At 5:18 p.m., Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz, Richard Lewis, Jane Templin and

Present: Erick Verduzco-Vega

Commissioners Andy Perez and Donita Van Horik

Absent:

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager; Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer; Christopher Koontz, Advance Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Scott Kinsey, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Cruz led the flag salute.

MINUTES

[17-018PL](#)

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of March 16, 2017.

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

Yes: 5 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz, Richard Lewis, Jane Templin and Erick Verduzco-Vega

Absent: 2 - Andy Perez and Donita Van Horik

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Linda Tatum, 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. [17-019PL](#) Recommendation to accept Categorical Exemption CE 16-267 and approve a Conditional Use Permit for an outpatient behavioral health urgent care center, with a capacity of twelve adult patients and six adolescent patients, plus a walk-in clinic, located in an existing medical building at 3200-3220 Long Beach Boulevard in the SP-1-CDR and CCA zoning districts. (District 7) (Application No. 1611-08)

Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer, spoke.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, spoke.

Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega.

Doug Otto, counsel representing Dr. Tawansy, asked for a continuance of the item.

Michael Mais spoke.

Lawrence Cagney, counsel representing 2H Property 3060 LLC, applicant and property owner of record, spoke.

Doug Otto responded to comments made by Lawrence Cagney.

Michael Mais spoke.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Christoffels and Michael Mais.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Michael Mais spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Christoffels, seconded by Commissioner Lewis to deny the request for a continuance. The motion carried 5-0.

Scott Kinsey, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Kent Dunlap, President and CEO of Stars Behavioral Health Group, applicant, spoke.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Lewis and Kent Dunlap.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Kent Dunlap responded to queries from Commissioner Christoffels.

Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

Kent Dunlap responded to queries from Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Kent Dunlap responded to queries from Commissioner Templin.

Debbie Innes Gumberg, Deputy Director of Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health, provided public comment.

Shawn Ashley provided public comment.

Dave Pilon, President and CEO of Mental Health America of Los Angeles, spoke.

Alan Stevens provided public comment.

Kathryn Miles, Executive Director of Jewish Family and Children's Service of Long Beach and West Orange County, provided public comment.

Rick Pulido provided public comment.

Fred Magenheimer provided public comment.

Mike Laquatra provided public comment.

Charlie Gandy provided public comment.

Naphar Isley provided public comment.

Troy Carmen provided public comment.

Lisa Powell, Department of Mental Health, provided public comment.

Sandy Villano provided public comment.

Brittney Weissman, Executive Director of NAMI of Los Angeles County, provided public comment.

Herlinda Chico, Field Deputy for Supervisor Janice Hahn, provided public comment on behalf of Supervisor Hahn.

Rick Ivey, representing the Los Cerritos Neighborhood Association, provided public comment.

Jacqueline Glass provided public comment.

Monica Lopez provided public comment.

Alejandra Alvarez provided public comment.

Tony Leggitt provided public comment.

David Amir provided public comment.

Paul Barry provided public comment.

Kathy Parsons provided public comment.

Alan Thompson provided public comment.

Mark Christoffels spoke.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega and Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

Kent Dunlap responded to queries from Commissioner Lewis.

Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

Kent Dunlap responded to queries from Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

Kent Dunlap responded to queries from Commissioner Lewis.

Commissioner Cruz spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Cruz and Kent Dunlap.

Scott Kinsey spoke.

Linda Tatum spoke.

Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

Linda Tatum responded to a query from Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega.

Christopher Koontz, Advance Planning Officer, spoke.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

Scott Kinsey and Linda Tatum responded to a query from Commissioner Lewis.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Cruz, to approve the recommendation.

Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega proposed a friendly amendment to the motion.

Commissioners Lewis and Cruz accepted the friendly amendment.

The motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Christoffels, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, to deny the request for a continuance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz, Richard Lewis, Jane Templin and Erick Verduzco-Vega

Absent: 2 - Andy Perez and Donita Van Horik

A motion was made by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Cruz, to approve the recommendation with an amendment to Condition No. 6 that if the applicant should request that the hours of operation be extended, the matter come back before the Planning Commission for approval. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz, Richard Lewis, Jane Templin and Erick Verduzco-Vega

Absent: 2 - Andy Perez and Donita Van Horik

STUDY SESSION

2. [17-020PL](#) Conduct a study session regarding affordable housing.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, introduced the study session item.

Patrick Ure, Housing Operations Officer, presented the study session.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

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

Amy Bodek spoke.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Patrick Ure responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to comments made by Commissioner Templin.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to queries from Commissioner Lewis.

Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega.

Commissioner Cruz spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Cruz.

Amy Bodek spoke.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Linda Tatum responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Jorge Rivera, Program Director for Libre Long Beach Residents Empowered, provided public comment.

Lee Fukui provided public comment.

Mauna Eichner provided public comment.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no additional comments from the public.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION

There were no additional comments from the Planning Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:15 p.m., Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega adjourned the meeting.

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