

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2020  
HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE, 5:00 PM**

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



Ron Cruz, Commissioner  
Josh LaFarga, Commissioner  
Jane Templin, Commissioner  
Joni Ricks-Oddie, Commissioner

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**FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner LaFarga lead the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL**

Also present: Linda F. Tatum, Director of Development Services; Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager; Alexis Oropeza, Current Planning Officer; Patricia Diefenderfer, Advance Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Alison Spindler-Ruiz, Project Planner; Alejandro Sanchez-Lopez, Project Planner; Dionne Bearden, Bureau Secretary.

**Commissioners** Ron Cruz, Josh LaFarga, Jane Templin, Erick Verduzco-Vega,  
**Present:** Joni Ricks-Oddie, Mark Christoffels and Richard Lewis

**FLAG SALUTE**

Commissioner LaFarga lead the flag salute.

**MINUTES**

[20-026PL](#)

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of March 19, 2020.

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

**Yes:** 7 - Ron Cruz, Josh LaFarga, Jane Templin, Erick Verduzco-Vega, Joni Ricks-Oddie, Mark Christoffels and Richard Lewis

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### 20-030PL

#### Director's Report

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, presented the Director's Report.

Chair Lewis spoke.

## REGULAR AGENDA

1. 20-027PL Recommendation to accept Categorical Exemption CE18-156 and approve Conditional Use Permit CUP18-017 to establish a drive-through use within an existing, remodeled shopping center at 1320 Atlantic Avenue in the Community Automobile-Oriented District (CCA) zone. (District 6)

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

Chair Lewis spoke.

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Chair Lewis spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Christoffels, seconded by Commissioner Verduzco-Vega, to continue item to an unknown date. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Ron Cruz, Josh LaFarga, Jane Templin, Erick Verduzco-Vega, Joni Ricks-Oddie, Mark Christoffels and Richard Lewis

2. [20-028PL](#)

Recommendation to find that this action is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and receive and file the 2019 Mobility Element Implementation Report and instruct the Director of Development Services to submit the Implementation Report to the City Council and State Office of Planning and Research. (Citywide)

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, introduced Alison Spindler-Ruiz, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Chair Lewis spoke.

Commissioner Ricks-Oddie spoke.

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Chair Lewis spoke.

Vice Chair Christoffels spoke.

Chair Lewis spoke.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

Chair Lewis spoke.

Vice Chair Christoffels spoke.

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Chair Lewis spoke.

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

**Yes:** 7 - Ron Cruz, Josh LaFarga, Jane Templin, Erick Verduzco-Vega, Joni Ricks-Oddie, Mark Christoffels and Richard Lewis

**3. [20-029PL](#)**

Recommendation to find that this action is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and receive and file the 2019 Housing Element Annual Report and instruct the Director of Development Services to submit the Annual Report to the City Council, State Office of Planning and Research, and the California Department of Housing and Community Development. (Citywide)

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke and introduced Alejandro Sanchez-Lopez, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Chair Lewis spoke.

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

**Yes:** 7 - Ron Cruz, Josh LaFarga, Jane Templin, Erick Verduzco-Vega, Joni Ricks-Oddie, Mark Christoffels and Richard Lewis

**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.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Vice Chair Christoffels spoke.

Chair Lewis spoke.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Lewis adjourned the meeting at 5:48 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: April 16, 2020 - 5:00 p.m.

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