

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 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

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**FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

At 5:15 p.m., Chair Van Horik called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners** Richard Lewis, Erick Verduzco-Vega, Donita Van Horik and

**Present:** Andy Perez

**Commissioners** Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz and Jane Templin

**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; Mark Hungerford, Planner; Fern Nueno, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Commissioner Perez led the flag salute.

**MINUTES**

17-042PL      Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of June 1, 2017.

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

**Yes:** 4 - Richard Lewis, Andy Perez, Erick Verduzco-Vega and Donita Van Horik

**Absent:** 3 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz and Jane Templin

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

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

Chair Van Horik spoke.

Linda Tatum responded to a query from Chair Van Horik.

#### **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.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to queries from Chair Van Horik.

Chair Van Horik swore in City staff.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

1. 17-043PL Recommendation to accept Categorical Exemption CE 17-083 and approve a Conditional Use Permit request for the establishment and operation of a commercial parking lot at 2600 California Avenue within the Institutional (I) zoning district. (District 7) (Application No. 1703-43)

Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer, introduced Mark Hungerford, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Lewis and Mark Hungerford.

Sean Hitchcock, applicant, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Van Horik and Sean Hitchcock.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Lewis and Sean Hitchcock.

Commissioner Perez spoke.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

Christopher Koontz, Advance Planning Officer, responded to a query from Chair Van Horik.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

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

**Yes:** 4 - Richard Lewis, Andy Perez, Erick Verduzco-Vega and Donita Van Horik

**Absent:** 3 - Mark Christoffels, Ron Cruz and Jane Templin

## STUDY SESSION

2. 17-045PL Conduct a study session regarding the Land Use Element and Urban Design Element.

Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer, introduced Fern Nueno, Project Planner, who presented the study session item.

Christopher Koontz, Advance Planning Officer, spoke.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

Christopher Koontz responded to a query from Commissioner Lewis.

Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega and Christopher Koontz.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Christopher Koontz and Chair Van Horik.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Lewis and Christopher Koontz.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

Christopher Koontz spoke.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

Annie Greenfeld, Magnolia Industrial Group, provided public comment.

Corliss Lee provided public comment.

Mike Laquatra provided public comment.

Diana Budd provided public comment.

Laura Greco provided public comment.

Elaine O'Neal provided public comment.

Lee Fukui provided public comment.

Ann Cantrell provided public comment.

Elizabeth Lambe, Los Cerritos Wetlands Land Trust, provided public comment.

Lynette Ferenczy provided public comment.

Belinda Watson provided public comment.

Roman (no last name given) provided public comment.

Mauna Eichner provided public comment.

Christopher Koontz spoke.

Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Verduzco-Vega and Christopher

Koontz.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

Christopher Koontz responded to queries from Commissioner Lewis.

Commissioner Lewis spoke.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Van Horik and Christopher Koontz.

Christopher Koontz spoke.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

Christopher Koontz responded to a query from Chair Van Horik and Commissioner Lewis.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, spoke.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to a query from Chair Van Horik.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

#### **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 7:35 p.m., Chair Van Horik adjourned the meeting.

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