

Donita Van Horik, Chair
Alan Fox, Vice Chair



Becky Blair, Commissioner
Molly Campbell, Commissioner
Mark Christoffels, Commissioner
Phil Saumur, Commissioner
Melani Smith, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:04 PM)

At 5:04 p.m., Chair Van Horik called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:04 PM)

Commissioners Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Donita Van
Present: Horik, Becky Blair, Mark Christoffels and Molly Campbell

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Jeff Winklepleck, Acting Zoning Administrator; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Patrick Ure, Housing Operations Officer; Craig Chalfant, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary

FLAG SALUTE (5:05 PM)

Commissioner Campbell led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:06 PM)

13-069PL Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of November 21, 2013.

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

Yes: 7 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Becky Blair, Donita Van Horik, Mark Christoffels and Molly Campbell

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:06 PM)

There was no Director's Report given.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:06 PM)

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 (5:06 PM)

1. 13-070 PL Recommendation to recommend that the City Council certify Negative Declaration ND 03-13 and adopt the 2013-2021 Housing Element as presented. (Citywide)

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, introduced Veronica Tam, consultant, who presented the agenda item.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Veronica Tam.

Amy Bodek spoke.

Veronica Tam spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to queries from Chair Van Horik.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Chair Van Horik.

Amy Bodek responded to queries from Commissioner Smith.

Amy Bodek introduced Patrick Ure, Housing Operations Officer, who responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Amy Bodek spoke.

Dianne McNinch provided public comment.

Frances Emily Dawson Harris provided public comment.

Joe Ganem provided public comment.

Mike Dunfee provided public comment.

Chair Van Horik responded to queries from Clive Graham.

Clive Graham, representing the Apartment Association Southern California Cities, provided public comment.

Clive Graham responded to a query from Chair Van Horik.

Larry Goodhue provided public comment.

Gary Shelton, Long Beach Area Coalition for the Homeless, provided public comment.

Kraig Kojian, representing the Downtown Long Beach Associates, provided public comment.

Brian D'Andrea, Senior President of Century Housing and President of Villages at Cabrillo, provided public comment.

Jorge Rivera, Housing Long Beach, provided public comment.

Chair Van Horik swore in a member of the audience wishing to provide public comment.

Winton Johnson, East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice, provided public comment.

Lydia Fuentes, member of Housing Long Beach, provided public comment.

Keri Gallagher, Executive Director of Housing Long Beach, provided public comment.

Tom Crowe, Vice President of Housing Long Beach Board, provided public comment.

Drew Gagner, President of St. Mary's Medical Center Foundation, provided public comment.

Andreas Garcia provided public comment.

Allen Greenley, Executive Director of Southern California Association of Non-Profit Housing, provided public comment.

Susanne Browne, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles, provided public comment.

Arlene Mercer, representing Long Beach Area Coalition for the

Homeless, provided public comment.

Chair Van Horik swore in a member of the audience wishing to provide public comment.

Lucia Vargas provided public comment.

Anna Bonia, staff member for Building Healthy Communities Long Beach and steering member of Housing Long Beach, provided public comment.

Chair Van Horik responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Gary Shelton responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Susanne Browne responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Susanne Browne.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Christoffels and Amy Bodek.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Commissioner Christoffels.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Christoffels.

Commissioner Blair made a motion to approve the recommendation as presented.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Commissioner Campbell spoke.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Chair Van Horik.

Commissioner Blair accepted the amendment to her motion as made by Commissioner Smith.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fox and Amy Bodek.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Amy Bodek and Commissioner Saumur.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Christoffels and Veronica Tam.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Christoffels and Amy Bodek.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Van Horik and Amy Bodek.

A dialogue ensued between Michael Mais and Chair Van Horik.

Commissioner Saumur and Commissioner Blair responded to a query from Chair Van Horik.

Commissioner Smith responded to a query from Michael Mais.

Chair Van Horik made an amendment to the motion.

Chair Van Horik responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

A motion was made by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the recommendation with an amendment with regards to Program 2.2 to include the language "should also conclude the review of PD-29, PD-21, IL and IM zones for their appropriateness for inclusion as sites for emergency shelters by 2015" and an amendment with regards to Program 3.3 that includes the language "that the Franchise Tax Board Substandard Housing Program and the Rental Escrow Program be looked at at the same time". The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Becky Blair, Donita Van Horik, Mark Christoffels and Molly Campbell

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (8:00 PM)

Larry Goodhue provided public comment.

Frances Emily Dawson Harris provided public comment.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (8:09 PM)

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Chair Van Horik.

ADJOURNMENT (8:13 PM)

At 8:13 p.m., Chair Van Horik adjourned the meeting.

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