# CITY OF LONG BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2013 333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM

Becky Blair, Chair Alan Fox, Vice Chair



Molly Campbell, Commissioner Mark Christoffels, Commissioner Phil Saumur, Commissioner Melani Smith, Commissioner Donita Van Horik, Commissioner

#### FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

#### CALL TO ORDER (5:06 PM)

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At 5:06 p.m., Chair Blair called the meeting to order.

#### ROLL CALL (5:06 PM)

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**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; Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator; Jill Griffiths, Planning Officer; Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney; Steven Valdez, Planner; Ira Brown, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

# FLAG SALUTE (5:07 PM)

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Commissioner Christoffels led the flag salute.

#### **MINUTES (5:07 PM)**

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13-040PL

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of June 20, 2013.

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

Yes: 6 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Becky

Blair, Donita Van Horik and Molly Campbell

Abstain: 1 - Mark Christoffels

# **DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:08 PM)**

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Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, presented the Director's Report.

#### **SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:11 PM)**

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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.

# **CONTINUED ITEM (5:11 PM)**

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**1.** 13-037PL

Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit to convert an existing office building into a self-storage building at 1700 Santa Fe Avenue, in conjunction with the demolition of an existing two-story office building located at 1724 Santa Fe Avenue located in the General Industrial (IG) zone. (District 1) (Application No. 1210-06)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, asked that the item be continued to a date uncertain.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Chair Blair.

A motion was made by Commission Van Horik, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to continue the item to a date uncertain. 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

#### **REGULAR AGENDA (5:13 PM)**

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**2.** 13-041PL

Recommendation to recommend that City Council adopt a resolution certifying the Local Development Report (LDR) and its conformance with the Congestion Management Program (CMP). (Citywide)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Steven Valdez, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Ben Rockwell provided public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Christoffels, 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

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3. 13-042PL

Recommendation to approve the Site Plan Review for the rebuild of the Leeway Sailing Center located at 5437 East Ocean Boulevard to include classroom, office, restrooms, enclosed boat storage, outdoor boat storage and deck. (District 3) (Application No. 1111-17)

Commissioner Smith recused herself from the item.

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Ira Brown, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Eric Lopez, City Tidelands Capital Projects Program Manager, provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Andrew Olding, Capital Projects Coordinator, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Van Horik and Andrew Olding.

Eric Lopez spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Christoffels and Andrew Olding.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Andrew Olding.

Andrew Olding responded to a query from Commissioner Campbell.

Andrew Olding responded to queries from Commissioner Christoffels.

Corrin Hickey provided public comment.

Gary Shelton provided public comment.

Danielle Jorda provided public comment.

Azra Jorda provided public comment.

Dorothy Zitzman provided public comment.

Bill James provided public comment.

Julie James provided public comment.

Steven Jones provided public comment.

Jeff Jones provided public comment and a PowerPoint presentation.

Elliot Gutner provided public comment.

Melinda Roney, President of Long Beach Heritage, provided public comment.

Ben Rockwell provided public comment.

Nicole Littleworth provided public comment.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Christoffels and Andrew Olding.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Andrew Olding, Eric Lopez and Randy Mason, consultant.

Randy Mason responded to queries from Commissioner Fox.

Randy Mason responded to queries from Commissioner Campbell.

Eric Lopez responded to a query from Commissioner Campbell.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Van Horik, Eric Lopez and Lori Jarmacz, Parks, Recreation and Marine.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Eric Lopez responded to a guery from Chair Blair.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Chair Blair spoke.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Becky Blair, Donita Van Horik, Mark Christoffels and Molly Campbell

Excused: 1 - Melani Smith

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**4.** 13-038PL

Recommendation to certify the Negative Declaration and recommend City Council adopt the resolution approving the Mobility Element as part of the City's General Plan. (Citywide) (Application No. ME-2013)

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, spoke.

Ira Brown, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Ira Brown responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Ira Brown.

Amy Bodek and Ira Brown responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Van Horik and Ira Brown.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Van Horik and Amy Bodek.

Amy Bodek and Ira Brown responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Smith and Ira Brown.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Campbell.

Ira Brown responded to a query from Commissioner Christoffels.

Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney, responded to a query from Commissioner Christoffels.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Christoffels, Dave Roseman, City Traffic Engineer, and Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator.

Ben Rockwell provided public comment.

Gary Shelton provided public comment.

Karissa Selvester, Long Beach Transit, provided public comment.

Chair Blair swore in a member of the public wishing to speak.

Tony Mendoza provided public comment.

Ben Rockwell provided public comment.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Fox.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Chair Blair spoke.

Amy Bodek spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Saumur, 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

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (8:09 PM)**

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Gary Shelton provided public comment.

Chair Blair spoke.

# **COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (8:11 PM)**

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There were no comments from the Planning Commission.

**ADJOURNMENT (8:11 PM)** 

At 8:11 p.m., Chair Blair adjourned the meeting.

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