

**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
JEANNE KARATSU, PRESIDENT
AUGUST 3, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 3, 2011, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeanne Karatsu, Carolyn Smith Watts, Charles Hicks Jr., Gerald Good

MEMBER EXCUSED:

OTHERS PRESENT: Melinda George, Deputy Director, Acting Secretary
Marilyn Hall, Executive Assistant
Salvador Ambriz, Personnel Analyst
Debbie McCluster, Personnel Analyst
Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst
Robert Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst
Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst
Donna de Araujo, Assistant Administrative Analyst
Ken Walker, Personnel Operations Manager, Human Resources

President Jeanne Karatsu presided.

MINUTES: It was moved by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of July 20, 2011, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

It was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Good and carried that the Dismissal Appeal 05-D-1011 hearing minutes of July 27, 2011, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

The Secretary requested that the Commission consider item 11 before approving the Consent Calendar.

PROTEST OF WRITTEN EXAMINATION ITEMS: The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst, regarding the disposition of protested questions from the Water Utility Mechanic examination, which was conducted on July 25 and 26, 2011. Ms. Ferrer briefed the Commission regarding the protests. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Good and carried that the recommended disposition of the protested question be

approved and the affected persons be so notified. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

CONSENT CALENDAR (2-7):

It was moved by Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the Consent Calendar items be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

EXAMINATION RESULTS:

Request to approve examination results.

Animal Health Technician (7-27-11) – 14 Applied, 5 qualified
Clerk/Clerk Typist – 442 Applied, 65 Qualified
Forensic Specialist – 42 Applied, 31 Qualified
Maintenance Planner – 3 Applied, 3 Qualified
Traffic Engineer (7-28-11) – 23 Applied, 11 Qualified
Water Utility Mechanic – 118 Applied, 32 Qualified

The motion was made to approve request on Consent Calendar.

EXTENSION OF EXPIRING ELIGIBLE LISTS:

Request to extend the following eligible lists for an additional six months:

Building Maintenance Engineer
Equipment Mechanic
Garage Service Attendant
Housing Specialist
Mechanical Supervisor
Program Scheduler
Registered Nurse

The motion was made to approve request on Consent Calendar.

RETIREMENT:

Request to receive and file retirement.

Dean Campbell/Construction Inspector II/Harbor

The motion was made to receive and file on Consent Calendar.

RESIGNATIONS:

Request to receive and file resignations.

Kerry Stewart/Senior Surveyor/Harbor
Jason Fraley/Assistant Administrative Analyst
II/Development Services

Tanaya Gaines/Special Services Officer II/Airport

The motion was made to receive and file on Consent Calendar.

SCHEDULE FOR HEARINGS:

Request to approve hearing schedule.

Dismissal Appeal 27-D-1011, November 16, 2011
Reduction Appeal 34-R-1011, November 30, 2011
Reduction Appeal 36-R-1011, December 7, 2011

The motion was made to approve hearing schedule on Consent Calendar.

RESCHEDULE FOR HEARINGS:

Request to approve reschedule for hearings.

Dismissal Appeal 03-D-1011, September 21, 2011
Dismissal Appeal 08-D-1011, October 19 & 26, 2011

The motion was made to approve the reschedule for hearings.

REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY REASSIGNMENT FOR TRAINING:

CESAR ARCINIEGA/CLERK TYPIST TO OFFICE AUTOMATION ANALYST

The Secretary presented a communication from Margaret Huebner, Director of Human Resources, Harbor, requesting Commission authorization to temporarily reassign Cesar Arciniega, Clerk Typist to the classification of Office Automation Analyst for training. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the request for reassignment for training be approved, pursuant to Section 63(3) of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYE: Carolyn Smith Watts
Gerald Good
Jeanne Karatsu

NAY: Charles Hicks Jr.

**REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO
CIVIL SERVICE RULES AND
REGULATIONS – ARTICLE VIII
SECTION 115(3)**

**Requesting Exception to Article II, Section 7 of the
Civil Service Rules and Regulations – Qualifications
and Requirements for Customer Service Representative,
Limiting Applications to City Employees and Laid Off
City Employees**

The Secretary presented a staff report, prepared by Mario R. Beas, Executive Director, requesting Commission approval for an exception to Article II, Section 7 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations – Qualifications and Requirements, for Customer Service Representative, as an open-competitive examination, limiting applications to City employees and City employees terminated due to layoffs. The Secretary briefed the Commission regarding this request. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Good and carried to approve the Exception to Civil Service Rules and Regulations, Section 115(3), Article II, Section 7 – Qualifications and Requirements. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO
CIVIL SERVICE RULES AND
REGULATIONS – ARTICLE VIII
SECTION 115(3)**

**Requesting Exception to Article II, Section 7 of the
Civil Service Rules and Regulations – Qualifications
and Requirements for Senior Equipment Operator/
Backhoe/Motor Grader, Limiting Applications to City
Employees and Laid Off City Employees**

The Secretary presented a staff report, prepared by Mario R. Beas, Executive Director, requesting Commission approval for an exception to Article II, Section 7 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations – Qualifications and Requirements, for Senior Equipment Operator/Backhoe/Motor Grader, as an open-competitive examination, limiting applications to City employees and City employees terminated due to layoffs. The Secretary briefed the Commission regarding this request. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Hicks and carried to approve the Exception to Civil Service Rules and Regulations, Section 115(3), Article II, Section 7 – Qualifications and Requirements. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

BULLETINS:

It was moved by Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the following Job Opportunity Bulletins be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Customer Service Representative
Senior Equipment Operator – Backhoe/Motor Grader

**CONSIDERATION OF HEARING
OFFICER'S REPORT:**

SUSPENSION HEARING 12-S-1011

The Secretary presented a report prepared by Hearing Officer Barbara Raileanu, Attorney at Law, to the Commission, regarding the subject hearing which was conducted on May 27, 2011. The Secretary informed the Commission that the Water Department requested that the objection to the hearing officer's report be pulled. Ken Bott, Administrative Officer, Water Department, was present and concurred. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the hearing officer's report be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**CONSIDERATION OF HEARING
OFFICER'S REPORT:**

SUSPENSION HEARING 11-S-1011

The Secretary presented a report prepared by Hearing Officer Cynthia Kole, Attorney at Law, to the Commission, regarding the subject hearing which was conducted on May 24 and 31, 2011. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Good, seconded by Commissioner Smith Watts and carried that the hearing officer's report be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**CONSIDERATION OF HEARING
OFFICER'S REPORT:**

SUSPENSION HEARING 15-S-1011

The Secretary presented a report prepared by Hearing Officer Jose Uris, Attorney at Law, to the Commission, regarding the subject hearing which was conducted on June 17, 2011. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Smith Watts, seconded by Commissioner Good and carried that the hearing officer's report be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

MANAGERS' REPORT:

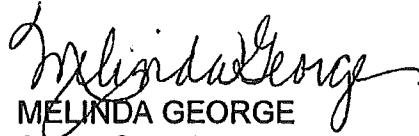
Rob Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst, provided the Commission copies of updates on the budget, and briefed the Commission regarding the budget.

Ken Walker, Manager, Personnel Operations, Human Resources, spoke on the budget, stating that they are still in negotiations with the different employee associations.

The Secretary briefed the Commission regarding updates on proofs required when filing applications, stating that at the time of filing, the application must be complete with all required proofs. She stated that applicants are encouraged to file online, however, if they should file a paper application, proofs must be submitted at the time of filing. She also stated that the extra five days to submit proof has been eliminated effective August, and FAXED documents would be accepted. She also stated that some of the examination results on today's agenda reflect pre-approved results.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Commission, President Karatsu adjourned the meeting.


MELINDA GEORGE
Acting Secretary

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**CITY OF LONG BEACH
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES
JULY 21, 2011**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order by Brett Waterfield, President, at 9:05 a.m., at MacArthur Park/Homeland Cultural Center in the Manazar Gamboa Theater. George Chapjian, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine, took roll call and confirmed a quorum.

Present: Brett Waterfield, President
Sarah Sangmeister, Vice President
Ron Antonette
Simon George
Benjamin Goldberg
Albert Guerra
Drew Satariano

Absent: Harry Saltzgaver, excused

Staff: George Chapjian, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine
Ramon Arevalo, Manager, Maintenance Operations
Sandra Gonzalez, Manager, Planning and Development
Anna Mendiola, Park Development Officer
Gladys Kaiser, Manager, Community Recreation Services
Ted Stevens, Acting General Superintendent, Community Recreation Services
John Keisler, Manager, Business Operations
Jim Ruggirello, Community Recreation Services Supervisor
Robin Black, Executive Assistant to the Director

Guests: Juan M. Benitez, CSULB – CCE
Coleen Vandepas
Leslie Markle, Arts Council
Jennifer Chheang, the California Endowment
P.G. Herman
Rafael Palomo, ASK-LB
Mike Donelon, ASK-LB
Gerrie Schipske, Councilwoman, 5th District

It was moved by Commissioner Antonette and seconded by Commissioner Guerra to excuse Commissioner Saltzgaver. The motion carried unanimously.

President Waterfield welcomed Commissioner Goldberg.

Commissioner Goldberg mentioned that he was born and raised and now lives in Long Beach with his family.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JUNE 16, 2011

It was moved by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Vice President Sangmeister to approve the June 16, 2011 Parks and Recreation Commission minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

President Waterfield introduced Jim Ruggirello, Supervisor of the MacArthur Park/Homeland Cultural Center, and asked him to describe the new venue.

Mr. Ruggirello introduced himself as the Supervisor of MacArthur Park/Homeland Cultural Center. He said this theater opened on June 25, 2011. It has 70 seats. The stage has been pushed back for this meeting, but it can be brought out and expanded for many different configurations, like a theater in the round. We are using it for our own programs and for partnerships with the community. Many people would like to use the theater or the art gallery. The display of Manazar Gamboa describes what he had done and how he got a theater named after him. The community is very excited about having this new resource. Mr. Ruggirello welcomed the Parks and Recreation Commission.

President Waterfield said he was here at the opening and it was quite an event.

III. CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT PRESENTATION

Ms. Jennifer Chheang thanked the Commission for the opportunity to speak about what they are doing. She said she is a Long Beach native and a Poly grad. She is fairly new, about four and a half months with the California Endowment. She distributed a packet of information, which included a press kit and information specific to Long Beach. Ms. Chheang said this is a 15-year old foundation and is the largest endowment in the State of California. About three years ago the Foundation did a review of the grants and discovered the most successful programs were those that went deeply into communities and saw longer programs. The California Endowment went through a year-long planning process and central and west Long Beach communities were selected to receive programs. The 14 programs were selected in the State of California to begin a planning process with each of the communities. The communities were asked to prioritize them for importance. She said they do not fund programs, activities or services. They are looking to fund systems and policy

changes. They make sure that the voices of the community are heard. It is about community empowerment and community engagement and educating community members. Once the 800 community members, agency leaders and City staff prioritized the systems, then the California Endowment went into a planning process. A number of grants went out last year. The Summer Night Lights program is currently happening in three park sites. We are working with the City to create a violence prevention program. We are also working with youth-serving organizations and empowering youth. She introduced Juan Benitez, one of two hub managers in Long Beach.

Mr. Benitez introduced himself at the Director of the Center for Community Engagement at CSULB. He said he was also on the California Endowment planning committee last year. This is a community driven process involving youth and residents. They just elected a steering committee representing youth, adult community members and community based organizations to help maintain a connection.

Vice President Sangmeister said she is trying to understand about California Endowment not funding programs but funding systems. The Summer Night Lights is a program.

Ms. Chheang said it has been a hybrid for us and the reason we were able to fund it is because it puts Police Department, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine, and Health Department together in a way they have not worked in the past. There is a fine line with flexibility. We will not be able to continue funding that program and we are looking at the sustainability and bringing in another partner.

Mr. Benitez said Summer Night Lights was in response to no summer school. Community members wanted summer programs.

Mr. Chapjian asked when the funding would end?

Ms. Chheang responded it was funded for this year and last year, but next year the funding is not substantial enough to continue the program.

President Waterfield asked if funding is yearly?

Ms. Chheang responded we are projecting the investment will be \$20 to \$30 million in Long Beach over the next two years. Every year we get our budget and out of that we are able to give out grants. Most of those are two-year grants. It is a non-traditional grant process. In this process they would work with me to develop it.

Commissioner Antonette asked these grants you are referring to, do they have to have an impact on change or strategy?

Ms. Chheang responded they have to fit with what the community has prioritized.

Commissioner Antonette asked how the tactics are implemented?

Mr. Benitez responded part of the support is also in technical assistance to community members and agencies.

Ms. Chheang stated the tactics get developed in the strategy process. That is the process of working with me, to develop a work plan.

Vice President Sangmeister asked staff if these are grants that we intend to apply for?

Mr. Chapjian responded that some of the grants are system based and they are really working with the community. When the program funding goes away, the Department would have to come up with funding.

Vice President Sangmeister asked if there is a way that we can see what grants are being written and how much they are being written for?

Ms. Chheang responded that grants are usually listed on their website. Some of our grants are going to the City and departments.

Mr. Benitez stated the Endowment is also an opportunity to leverage other kinds of funds and other grants.

President Waterfield stated we also look at how our programs impact system changes. We can be creative in how those partnerships look.

Commissioner Goldberg stated it is wonderful to see Long Beach alumni come back and help the community.

President Waterfield stated Dr. Benitez and I have discussed the process and it takes a while to wrap your head around this.

Dr. Benitez said most are targeting youth in Long Beach, which is a natural fit for the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine.

IV. HUMAN SERVICES ASSOCIATION (H.S.A.) PRESENTATION

President Waterfield said H.S.A. was unable to attend this month, but they will be here next month to make a presentation.

V. JULY IS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH PRESENTATION

Ms. Kaiser said annually we celebrate July is Parks and Recreation Month. We had the opportunity to go in front of the City Council earlier this month and show this video that highlights our programs. Parks are full and our programs are at capacity this summer. The community knows where to come to engage youth and families. We are halfway through summer. Youth and staff at Houghton Park produced this video.

Mr. Ted Stevens played the video.

Ms. Kaiser stated this video is a broad over-stroke of our programs in the parks.

Commissioner Guerra asked if the Department is showing it other places?

Ms. Kaiser responded that we show it before each movie in the park and we recently put it as a link on our website.

VI. COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS

#11-0701

Recommendation to authorize the Director, or his or her management designee to execute the Personal Services and Instruction Agreements and amend Attachment "A" of the agreements as needed.

Ms. Kaiser described the classes that have been added. Daily we are daily getting instructors coming to us and we are continually trying to find class space for them.

Commissioner Guerra asked if we are at capacity for classes?

Ms. Kaiser responded that we are close to capacity in our facilities. We are looking to reconfigure programs to fit these classes in. We have partnered in different businesses to hold classes also.

Mr. Chapjian stated we are also looking at library space.

It was moved by Commissioner Goldberg and seconded by vice President Sangmeister to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

#11-0702

Recommendation to approve the placement and installation of a memorial bench at Mothers Beach to honor Patricia Hardy.

It was moved by Vice President Sangmeister and seconded by Commissioner George to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

#11-0703

Recommendation to approve the placement and installation of a memorial bench by the lake in El Dorado Regional Park, Area II, to honor Jack Tamarack Malone.

It was moved by Commissioner Goldberg and seconded by Vice President Sangmeister to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

#11-0704

Recommendation to approve the placement and installation of a memorial bench near the 5th tee box at Recreation Park South Golf Course to honor Ralph Henry Brown.

It was moved by Commissioner Goldberg and seconded by Commissioner Guerra to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Recommendation to adopt a resolution and approve the proposed Fiscal Year 2012 (FY 12) General Park Fees Schedule and make such changes effective October 1, 2011.

Mr. Keisler stated that on July 21, the Finance and Appeals Subcommittee met and discussed the fees contained in the packet. This is for the FY 12 fees. City-wide there is an effort, as we adopt the FY 12 budget, to look at all fees to come up with a 3% City Cost Index increase. If there are exemptions, you can see that on the enclosure. Some are increased and some are not. There are 417 line items in this packet, from adaptive recreation all the way to user services.

Commissioner Guerra asked about a fee for kickball and there were no fees for kickball before.

Ms. Kaiser responded there is a new interest in kickball and other cities have created kickball leagues. We have the demands and have added this in response to the public's interest. We also brought back flag football.

Commissioner Guerra asked if this is the fee for a team or an individual?

Ms. Kaiser responded that it is a team fee. If separate users come to us who don't have a team to play on, they can contact our sports office, which can place separate users on teams.

Commissioner Guerra asked what is the kickball season?

Ms. Kaiser responded they are ready to go as soon as it is approved. It is continuing.

Commissioner Goldberg stated that the other sports are desperate for existing field space. How would this affect that? How are you going to coordinate new programs?

Ms. Kaiser responded we prioritized the City's use. We created efficiencies in our own schedules so there are no gaps. We did not take time from any groups. We prioritized our own current use.

Commissioner Antonette asked for the rental fees listed for this theater, are we competitive for other similar sized venues?

Mr. Keisler stated we worked with Special Events and Filming to make that assessment. This is considered one of the premiere venues, given that it is so new. Given similar venues, we want to make sure this is competitive and still taking in the needs and interests of the community.

Commissioner Antonette asked about movie and equipment rental, has that been successful and are we competitively priced?

Mr. Kaiser responded that we are renting our equipment to the city of Lakewood. We are marketing it to the PTA, etc. We see this as a service taking off. Cypress and Rossmoor are moving their movie nights to be able to use our equipment. Homeowner associations have called. We will continue to do outreach.

President Waterfield opened the public hearing. It was asked if anyone was here to speak on the public fees to be sworn in. No one responded.

It was moved by Vice President Sangmeister and seconded by Commissioner Goldberg to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

President Waterfield closed the public hearing.

President Waterfield moved up an item under new business.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

- C. Recommendation to approve the designation of Rosie the Riveter Park as a "passive" park, and direct the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine to not schedule any classes, programs or recreational activities, or issue any permits to gather in Rosie the Riveter Park, except in circumstances deemed by the Director to be respectful to the memory or recognition of the contributions made by women and men during World War II.

Mr. Chapjian stated that we made a number of improvements to the park. It has become more than just a regular active park with a memorial, etc.

Mr. Keisler stated the effort would be to maintain it as a place where people would go to remember the contributions of those in the service. We would not use the park to organize events and activities and we would not program there. We would review all applications for that site and see if they are appropriate and make sure they contribute to the purposes of the park. We have been in discussions with the City Attorney to make sure we are not in conflict with any ordinance. We will open up for your discussion and questions.

Commissioner Goldberg asked if is there something we are concerned about avoiding as far as use at this particular park?

Councilwoman Schipske stated we are concerned. The Long Beach Rosie the Riveter Foundation has raised money and there is a bas relief with a national World War II memorial and a memorial wall behind that where people are placing plaques to honor loved ones. We are concerned because of the nature of the walk path with inscriptions. People are walking slowly and listening to the information about this memorial on their cell phones. It would keep people from reflecting. People just use that park as a putting range or semi dog park. There are trees in the middle of the park, which does not make it easy to have sports activities. On the 4th of July, kids were using the memorial to do different sports activities. We

can't keep people from it. It is to have people reflect. We are going to put up an artistic canopy to have meetings and activities and not sports.

Vice President Sangmeister asked what if someone wants to have a birthday?

Councilwoman Schipske responded that there was recently a birthday party there. People are using that park for family.

Mr. Keisler responded it would be at the discretion of the Director, he would have to evaluate the use. Mr. Chapjian has been in conversations with the Foundation and Councilwoman, and he knows what is meant when a use is appropriate.

Councilwoman Schipske asked the Commissioners to please go over to the park. It is an amazing park. It was a pocket park that no one paid attention to. We put in a rose garden and a drought tolerant garden there.

President Waterfield asked if we have gotten any feedback from the City Attorney's office?

Mr. Keisler responded that the discussion has been mostly around the description, just to make sure what the process is. Once we have the policy direction, we will develop an appropriate policy.

Councilwoman Schipske discussed developing the use of a passive park.

Vice President Sangmeister asked if there is a definition of a passive and active park?

Mr. Chapjian responded this would be the first park designated; however, Victory Park is also a passive park.

President Waterfield asked if it was because that is how Victory Park was set up?

Councilwoman Schipske responded that for Victory Park, it was a requirement to keep it as a park, but not use it as an active park.

President Waterfield asked about the \$200,000 that the Foundation raised, do we know the total cost to develop the park? Was there any money deferred for maintenance?

Mr. Chapjian responded that the park cost \$320,000. Maintenance has been picked up. The Foundation may be able to help also.

Commissioner Guerra asked if the park is from the Fire Station to the corner?

Councilwoman Schipske responded yes, that is all park. Originally it was called Donald Douglas Park. Behind it is the City College Foundation building, which has agreed to put an inside display in their building. It was always a City park. The name was changed.

Commissioner Guerra asked how much more development is proposed?

Councilwoman Schipske responded just the canopy.

Commissioner Guerra stated this seems to be a high maintenance park because of high-end materials. Do we have to be concerned about replacing materials?

Councilwoman Schipske responded no, the Foundation would replace whatever is needed. This is not a high maintenance park. The rose garden is self-sustaining and the drought tolerant garden is self-sustaining. It is a very quiet park.

Commissioner Goldberg stated I support this to create this space to honor our military and service people. It reminds me of conversations over the years of use and non-use. We are asking for ownership of the community to make commitments without violating public access. I hope we see more of this, since we don't have money.

Councilwoman Schipske stated this is the second park in the United States named after Rosie the Riveter, to make sure this era of history is remembered. The park has become much busier than I have ever seen.

Commissioner Antonette said he liked the idea of trying to protect this space and the language is exactly right. This was a good space for the 4th of July concert.

Councilwoman Schipske responded, I paid for that and there was a large crowd with no problems. It got people to the park.

Commissioner Antonette asked if there is a specific definition of an active park and passive park.

Mr. Keisler responded this was the accommodation instead of making this a memorial. We are trying to capture all of that. Passive captures that it has a significant purpose. We will come back with a more specific definition of uses. We will craft something that will create those criteria and talk about appropriate uses. We hope to get the policy direction to proceed.

Commissioner Antonette asked if we also have a memorial park designation?

Mr. Chapjian responded no, we looked at the National Park Service and could not find one. This fits better.

Councilwoman Schipske responded that Arlington Cemetery is the only one.

Mr. Keisler stated we are trail blazing a bit in Long Beach with the definition.

President Waterfield asked if a birthday party is appropriate?

Mr. Chapjian responded that would be appropriate; however, we would steer them away from the memorial area.

President Waterfield stated the south area seems more appropriate.

Mr. Chapjian stated with the permit we can outline that there is to be no ball kicking, etc.

President Waterfield asked if there were a concern since the Councilwoman hosted a music event there, would others want to have music there?

Councilwoman Schipske stated that there have been several music events there.

Mr. Chapjian stated we would look at that, maybe limiting the events.

Councilwoman Schipske stated we have had a national wreath laying ceremony and music related to that.

Mr. Chapjian stated we would get feedback and take it back to you.

It was moved by Commissioner Goldberg and seconded by Commissioner Guerra to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice President Sangmeister left the meeting at this time.

President Waterfield went back to the regular order on the agenda.

VIII. COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS

A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE President Waterfield, Chair

President Waterfield reported that the Committee met to discuss the agenda.

1) Commission Committees

President Waterfield stated that an updated sheet was included in the packet. The Animal Care Services Committee was on hold to do more research.

Mr. Chapjian stated that Mr. Keisler could always give monthly reports.

President Waterfield stated we reactivated the Joint Use Committee.

B. FINANCE AND APPEALS COMMITTEE Commissioner Saltzgaver, Chair

President Waterfield said Vice President Sangmeister had to leave, and asked Mr. Keisler to give a report.

Mr. Keisler reported that the Committee met this month and went through the fees. Next meeting we would go over the appeal process and bring that before the full Commission down the road. The profit and loss statement is in the packet.

Commissioner Guerra asked when would it be completed?

Mr. Keisler responded we have a draft and would go over that at the next Finance and Appeals Committee meeting.

C. PARK SAFETY COMMITTEE
Commissioner George, Chair

Commissioner Guerra stated the statistics were in the packet. No meeting was held.

President Waterfield stated that cameras in the park are on hold, but is there a way to work with police to get funding for cameras in the parks?

Ms. Gonzalez responded that we are working with the Police Department. We have provided them our locations we feel need cameras. Our staff has worked with the Police Department to put in a GIS address. We do need to get the infrastructure money to purchase the systems.

Commissioner Guerra asked if California Endowment could fund this and would this fall under violence prevention programs?

D. MARKETING AND CUSTOMER SERVICE COMMITTEE
Commissioner Guerra, Chair

Commissioner Guerra reported that the Committee did not meet this month. We are mid-stream in our 100 Days of Summer.

President Waterfield said he received an e-mail at work marketing the 100 Days of Summer.

E. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE
Vice President Sangmeister, Chair

President Waterfield reported that the Committee met this morning. This is a busy group.

Ms. Gonzalez stated all the projects are on going. We are lucky to see the fruition of this theater building. Quite a few projects will be completed by the end of this year. The focus on today's meeting was more on the future CIP that focuses on a lot of infrastructure needs. We have got to be able to maintain the facilities we have.

President Waterfield stated we have had a lot of park openings and groundbreakings, but we have to shift our attention. We have playgrounds that are out of code and need to be updated. This is a real safety issue. We need to put this in front of our agenda because we have serious safety issues.

Commissioner Guerra asked if we could we get an updated opening listing, like Leeway?

Commissioner Goldberg said some time ago he saw the City's list of sidewalks with safety issues. Do we have a similar list for park facilities?

Ms. Gonzales responded we have that list which forms the guidelines for our five-year CIP project list. She said she would be happy to provide that.

Commissioner Goldberg said he would be interested in the baseball field replacement cycle.

Ms. Gonzalez responded that we have the bigger projects; you are discussing ongoing maintenance.

Mr. Arevalo said we have been discussing priorities for irrigation in three phases. I am trying to get this list so it is parallel to our CIP list. We have game courts and restrooms to maintain and repair.

Commissioner Goldberg stated he would like to see the focus on existing parks.

Mr. Chapjian stated we are taking some money from programs and putting that in maintenance as well.

F. SPECIAL EVENTS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
Commissioner Saltzgaver, Chair

Commissioner Saltzgaver stated that the Committee has not met, given the transition.

IX. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO COMMISSION**

- A. Recommendation to receive and file the Director's monthly highlights report "We Create Community" for June 2011.

It was moved by Commissioner Antonette and seconded by Commissioner Guerra to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

X. CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Black mentioned a letter from Maria Boecker to President Waterfield, which staff responded to on July 19, 2011. A copy was mailed to all the Commissioners.

President Waterfield stated a letter was received regarding issues at Homeland and staff has responded to them.

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Senior Citizens Advisory Commission Report – Ted Stevens

Mr. Stevens stated that the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission met last week with a quorum. They have five people on the Commission with three vacancies and we are concerned. Two gentlemen are in really bad health. The Commission had a guest speaker from Independence at Home, who talked about seniors volunteering and how they are looking for help. They just got a grant and are paying people to drive and pick seniors up and take them to doctor's appointments, etc. We do a lot of outreach. There were other transportation issues that came up. There were some speakers at the meeting from the Health Department. They received a grant from Congresswoman Laura Richardson and put together a large bus map with routes that had all of the senior centers and medical facilities on it. They worked with Long Beach Transit, who has the template. They don't have continued funding to print them, but I made arrangements for them to keep me in the loop when they update it so I can print those out and put them in our senior centers. I made the commitment to print those out for the Long Beach sites.

Commissioner Guerra asked how does one get on that commission?

Mr. Stevens responded that the Commission was reduced from 15 to 9 members. A member of the public would fill out an application through the Mayor's office, the same way they would to get on the Parks and Recreation Commission. They can go through the Council office or directly to the Mayor. The applicants have to be at least 50 years old. Rita Ellner, the President, has been very active in trying to get people to apply for the Commission.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposed 9th District dog park at DeForest Park.

Mr. Chapjian stated he met recently with Councilmember Neal and he mentioned that at some point there was a proposed dog park at DeForest Park. Former Councilmember Val Lerch had some contact with Redevelopment and Phil Hester discussing a potential dog park. We want to alert you to this and let you know that Councilmember Neal has asked us to work on this. It would be about 0.8 acres, about 35,000 square feet, and the site plan is included in the packet. That is the proposed location. There are some ADA issues because of the slope and getting people to that part of the park. We currently don't have any funding. We will start look for some. I don't know if Redevelopment can provide any money for this at this point. I am not sure where Redevelopment is in terms of whether or not they are going to pay into the State. We don't have any maintenance or development money. There is a community group interested in raising money, so we will work with the Council office and this community group. This is just an alert. We currently have six dog parks. The only districts that don't have dog parks right now are 4, 5, 6, and 9.

Commissioner Guerra asked if there has been any community group that would like to support this?

Mr. Chapjian responded that the Councilmember said there is a group that is interested.

Mr. Arevalo stated the Councilmember is having a quarterly meeting on Saturday and he will introduce me at that meeting to a couple of individual who are interested in taking on the dog park.

Commissioner Antonette stated I like dog parks, but I am growing more concerned that we are doing more for dogs than for kids. We have old playgrounds. We are not meeting the needs of our seniors. We established some precedent if neighborhoods want to create a dog park, and I am in support of that.

Mr. Chapjian stated that the Councilmember is aware that we don't have any money for that.

Commissioner Goldberg stated a lot of seniors have pets and that is cross usage and they want a place to run them.

Mr. Chapjian stated this is for your information only that we will have to address this later.

President Waterfield stated that he had a conversation with Councilmember Neal's Chief of Staff, and one of the things I emphasized was that they invite us to the community meetings.

- B. Recommendation to recommend to the City Council a change in the Municipal Code of a one-year trial period of allowing the coexistence of skateboards and BMX bikes in all City skate parks, except El Dorado Skate Park.

Mr. Keisler stated this was an issue that the Park Safety Committee discussed last month. One of the concerns is that the skate parks are being co-used by skateboarders and BMX riders and going back in history, there was a trial period but it expired and was specific to Houghton Park. The Park Safety Committee wanted to recommend this extension of this trial period be extended to the other skate parks, excluding El Dorado Park. There are a number of the public here at the meeting. This would move forward to City Council to extend this trial period in the Municipal Code and then these kids won't be cited.

Mr. Chapjian stated that the El Dorado Skate Park is excluded because it is small. The Councilwoman has some concerns because there are now scooters there too. Mike Donelon is here to answer questions you may have.

Councilwoman Schipske stated El Dorado is one of the smallest skate parks.

Commissioner Guerra asked if we would need to address signage changes in any of the parks for when people see BMX bikes in areas they haven't seen before?

Mr. Arevalo stated we have never allowed bikes at El Dorado Skate Park and right now it just says no BMX bikes. The scooters are going to be another issue and we need to include scooters on the signs.

Commissioner Antonette stated let me understand, so currently we only allow skate boards at skate parks, no scooters or bikes?

Mr. Keisler responded, correct.

Mr. Donelon said we have been working on this for several years. The BMX issue came up when we opened El Dorado Skate Park. We worked with the kids at Houghton. El Dorado is a small park and the biggest issue is the line in the skate park. When you drop into the skate park there are lines you follow. El Dorado was the

first skate park and has many lines. The problem we now have with El Dorado are the many scooters. Most of them are ages 6 to 8 years old, and they just kind of putt around in the middle of the skate park and that is a potential for problems. We have had BMX bikes in our skate parks since 2000 and there have never been any issues with it. That's why we are working with the Department to propose this change. The signs at the skate park do specifically say no bikes and no scooters. There are a lot of little kids there and I won't throw them out.

Councilwoman Schipske said the difficulty is that the rangers and the police indiscriminately cite and are not consistent. The scooter population is younger. We should figure out how to accommodate this. We don't have it staffed. Ideally there would be staff to supervise and you could have hours for BMX bikes and scooters.

Mr. Donelon stated most cities that have sessions don't supervisor their skate parks. Kids learn. I agree with the Councilwoman and let's just keep El Dorado out of it. So far it works.

Councilwoman Schipske stated when the kids see a ranger or police officer they scatter. Scooters don't because they are small and parents are there. The bicyclists are getting cited more than the scooters. The signage that says "No Bikes" is very small.

Mr. Chapjian stated we would work on this with Mr. Donelon on some sort of solution, whether it is some sort of hours.

President Waterfield stated if it is not designed for bicycles it could be a safety issue.

Mr. Donelon stated the design of a park could accommodate anything with wheels. There are complications at El Dorado because there are too many kids.

Commissioner Antonette stated there is a scooter issue, is it our goal to continue to restrict them or get them to coexist?

Mr. Donelon stated we would like to accommodate everyone. El Dorado is separate. We want to make these conclusive for everyone. There are more scooters at El Dorado. Other parks have an equal balance and they are older. This past year is when we had the scooter explosion.

Commissioner Antonette asked would it be a good idea to permit scooters at El Dorado?

Mr. Donelon responded yes, as long as it does not have a motor.

Mr. Chapjian stated we would bring back an item next month with scooters in El Dorado.

Mr. Donelon stated El Dorado is dominated with scooters.

President Waterfield said so it sounds like you are talking about addressing the El Dorado piece but it sounds like it would have to be staffed because it is too small.

Mr. Chapjian responded that I am not sure that it does. We will have to discuss this internally and include Mr. Donelon and the Councilwoman in this.

Commissioner Guerra stated maybe they could address that at the Park Safety Committee meeting.

Mr. Donelon stated staffing skate parks, it was determined in the 1990s, increases liability. The City Attorney would not support that.

Commissioner Goldberg stated as a child in the 1970s, he remembered skate boarding taking off. Putting hours up might be a good idea, like scooters allowed until 6:00 p.m. or half hour increments might be more reasonable.

President Waterfield said we would ask staff to work with something and bring this through the Park Safety Committee and come up with a recommendation for next month?

Mr. Chapjian responded yes.

Commissioner Antonette asked Councilwoman Schipske to explain the public input on scooters in El Dorado Skate Park. Is the feeling that we want to permit scooters or create a mechanism where scooters would be permitted there?

Councilwoman Schipske responded that the timing is the factor because you have little kids who are there and really don't know what they are doing and the older kids are whizzing by them. That is the issue. If you can get them to self regulate with timing and they can be there at certain times. There are several solutions.

It was moved by Commissioner Goldberg and seconded by Commissioner Guerra to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

- D. Recommendation to approve the placement of a Redevelopment Agency public art piece at the entry plaza of McBride Park Teen Center.

Ms. Gonzalez said if you have been by McBride Park lately you would see a hole being dug for the skate park and completion of the teen center. Along with this we have a proposal to install, through RDA, a public art piece.

Ms. Mendiola introduced Mr. Leslie Markle from the Arts Council. They initiated a program in 2007 to integrate art in public parks. The Parks and Recreation Commission approved locations of art pieces. Today they have put in four pieces and three will be done by September. One of the pieces was scheduled for the median on Santa Fe Avenue. This did not fit on the median and they recommended that it be moved to McBride Park.

President Waterfield asked does it change?

Ms. Mendiola responded only when you move. As you walk around it, from one angle on the sidewalk it reads "ART," and then as you walk around it, it is an abstract piece.

President Waterfield asked if it is on the surface in the planter?

Ms. Mendiola responded it would be in the planter with cobble and some plants, so it is a little bit raised up. It is about 8 feet high.

President Waterfield said he could see kids climb on it.

Mr. Chapjian said given they may climb on it, we need to make sure that structurally it is sound.

Commissioner Antonette said this is interesting. Behind it is a giant mural.

Ms. Mendiola stated they need to look into if the mural is something that would stay or if it would be moved.

Ms. Gonzalez asked what maintenance requirement is needed?

Mr. Markle responded the artist does not take on maintenance responsibility. The artist would submit a maintenance schedule for maintaining it. There are maintenance guidelines. The Arts Council does have a small endowment for conservation of art works. That is a growing fund, but very small.

Mr. Chapjian asked what the commitment is as to how long we keep it up? Is it there in perpetuity?

Mr. Markle responded there is no maintenance covenant. The City is not a part of the contract and is free to do what they like. The piece can be moved with no obligation.

Ms. Mendiola said in the past with our murals, we have notified the artists if we remove them, to give them a chance to take a picture.

Commissioner Guerra asked if this would be landscaped?

Ms. Mendiola responded yes, there would be cobble and landscaping.

Commissioner Guerra said he asked that question because of the orange twist sculpture on Atlantic Avenue that looks like it has been plopped there with no landscaping and no explanation.

Mr. Markle responded that the Arts Council was not involved with that project.

Ms. Mendiola responded there is a plan for landscaping to improve that median on Atlantic Avenue. It is at the mercy of RDA funding right now. They have a plan we approved for that median.

Commissioner Guerra stated it would be nice to know who the artist is and why it is there, if this is art piece number 12 out of 20, and where is the story board that tells how to connect those or how to visit the other pieces in the city.

Mr. Markle stated there is an initiative to create a See Long Beach app through the Arts Council that would show everything.

President Waterfield asked if there is a plaque that goes with this?

Ms. Mendiola responded there is not one at the moment, but we could do that with information about the artist.

Mr. Chapjian had a question to the Arts Council. Will it read ART from the street side?

Mr. Markle responded the contractor is doing placement and staff and the artist met with them to determine how to place it.

Commissioner Antonette asked if other locations were looked at that were considered for this piece?

Ms. Mendiola responded that RDA looked at other sites and this was their preferred location.

It was moved by Commissioner Antonette and seconded by Commissioner Goldberg to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

- E. Recommendation to recommend to the City Council that the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine submit a revised application to the Los Angeles County Regional Parks and Open Space District to transfer \$4 million from California Gardens to Chittick Field for a sports complex; accept \$450,000 in Los Angeles County Regional Parks and Open Space District discretionary funds from Supervisor Knabe; and designate \$250,000 of that \$450,000 for the California Gardens' Longview Park site for the planning and development of a passive park.

Mr. Chapjian stated Ms. Gonzalez would give a staff report. This is moving fairly quickly and if and when you approve it, it will be taken to City Council and a press conference would be held after that. We have been waiting for confirmation of the \$450,000 from Supervisor Knabe.

Ms. Gonzalez stated what the Commission would see as an outcome of their motion today would be a couple of items going before the City Council. The first item is to move the remaining dollars from Hilltop Park from the original 1992 Bond Act from the Los Angeles County Park and Open Space District. There remains \$4 million dollars there and this proposal would be to move that to Chittick Field. Voters voted on this money to be used on an active sports park, and that is what the intent will be for Chittick Field. We are going to have football fields, soccer fields, an all-weather track, bleachers and restrooms. What we are left with then at Hilltop Park as a second action you would see at City Council would be acceptance from Los Angeles County for \$450,000 in excess funds from Supervisor Don Knabe's district for several projects citywide. We would then apply for that grant money from Los Angeles County.

Commissioner Antonette said regarding the site that is currently called California Gardens, the City has identified \$300,000 already to develop this park. What we are asking to do is take another \$250,000 and move that to develop that park?

Ms. Gonzalez responded no. The entire park is about 52 acres. \$300,000 we are going to identify to be used to develop of about four acres of the 52 acres. This would be passive with trails.

Commissioner Goldberg stated he sees no reason not to approve this.

Commissioner Antonette asked of that \$250,000 are there other places that it could be better spent? Things like infrastructure, improvements, play grounds, things that need to be replaced and repaired?

Mr. Chapjian responded in order to move the other projects as well we need to use the \$250,000 for the master planning. We did apply for Prop 84 grants for this master plan. If that comes in, we will know in October or November, then we can use this money for something else.

Ms. Gonzalez responded the other balance of that \$450,000 is really going to playgrounds and some infrastructure needs, etc.

It was moved by Commissioner Goldberg and seconded by Commissioner Guerra to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

XIII. COMMENTS

A. AUDIENCE

President Waterfield asked for comments from the audience.

Mr. Donelon thanked Commissioner Antonette for coming out to the Michael K. Green Skate Park event. There were over 200 kids. We gave away 65 free skate boards and lessons to about 75 kids. His kids had a good time. He invited everyone on Saturday at an event at Bixby Park. We will have a family barbecue, a skate tournament, and a dodge ball game. It will be great fun.

Ms. Colleen Vandepas introduced herself as a member of a woman's organization in Long Beach. She is trying to herd them in the direction of focusing all their efforts on building playgrounds and supporting playgrounds in Long Beach. I can't guarantee that will happen, but I would like to ask you to help me help you. I have had a real problem in terms about finding out what parks need. Could that information be put on line? People have a resistance to giving money to big organizations, but they might be willing to take money out of their pocket to do a direct donation to sustain what you are doing, like kids movies, video games, soccer balls, ping pong balls, basketball nets, whatever. Could you create a list of park priorities? Where do you want playgrounds to be reinvigorated? How much

will it cost? Could there be a more updated list about what we are working on in terms of development? I work for the government. We have to tell people what we are doing. I know you can do that. Could I apply for grants for the Department?

President Waterfield stated he was involved about five years ago with Long Beach Unified School District where we researched and found where each teacher independently could put a list together of what they needed. Could each park list what they need? Not everyone has money for the big ticket items.

Mr. Chapjian stated we could work with Partners of Parks. When we get donations I believe it goes straight to the general fund. That's where it helps to have Partners of Parks, where it gets designated to a certain project. There needs to be a list of Partners of Parks on our site.

Commissioner Guerra stated most people who want to get involved do reach out and send an e-mail and say I want to get involved in this, that, or the other. That is when the Department can respond. You are talking about a huge organization that works on a ton of projects daily. It is a lot.

Ms. Vandepas said that people tend to do things when they are inspired to do them. If time has elapsed, they tend to lose the enthusiasm. I don't want people to lose the enthusiasm.

Commissioner Guerra said he is involved with volunteering in a lot of different organizations that require a partnership and a structure. That inspiration is great, but you have to reach out and build that partnership.

President Waterfield said what she is not talking about is not complicated. What she is talking about is anywhere from real basic needs that they may have.

Commissioner Guerra said I hear what you say. The Rotarians came to us and told us that they wanted to adopt a park. We developed a program for them to adopt a park. The ability to have all these things out there to pick and choose is great, but I think it needs to be a reciprocal dialog.

Mr. Chapjian said I think we can start to put that information on-line and see what happens. I think our CIP programs should be on our website where people can look at the designs. Our Adopt a Park program is an interaction. We will get on line what we can.

Ms. Gonzalez stated all that information is available. It just would take time to do that and to juggle priorities.

Ms. Vandepas said her organization has to vote to take this project on.

Mr. Keisler said he would follow up with Ms. Vandepas.

Ms. Vandepas said she knows the Department puts out a monthly senior newsletter. It would be nice for the other monthly newsletter to put reminders out about the monthly park cleanups. She said happened to see that this park is listed on Coca Cola's livepositively.com website to vote on for favorite parks in the United States. That may be something you want to publicize to the community. The money has to be used to refurbish a park.

B. STAFF

President Waterfield asked for comments from staff.

Ms. Kaiser said on July 10, we hosted Dance Fest. It was successful, thanks to the hard work of staff at MacArthur Park. If you would like to attend the Civil War Reenactment let Robin know. It will be a fun day, bring a chair. Our Fishing Rodeo will take place on August 5. On the pier there will be about 300 kids attending from all over. Some will fish for the first time. The Tuna Club will be out there weighing each fish. It is a catch and release program. The kids also get lunch included. We will have 1,600 kids for the Capture the Wind, All City Beach Day on July 22, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Claremont beach launch ramp. Kudos to Sea Festival for making all this happen.

Mr. Keisler stated this is the busiest time of year for Animal Care Services and they are averaging about 4,700 new animals per day. This is up 10% from last year. A lot of this is due to owner release, either economic problems or they are moving. We have outpaced adoptions and redemptions, which means returning animals to owners, by 14%. Monthly clinics take place throughout the summer for vaccination and licensing. As of today, we have 235 animals in the kennel. Every kennel is disinfected and all bedding is washed every day. The staff is extremely busy right now.

Ms. Gonzalez went over the ongoing projects. She said that Baker Park would be on the Council agenda next month.

Mr. Chapjian stated that the Long Beach Yacht Club lease was approved by City Council. He mentioned a few other Council letters coming up.

Mr. Arevalo mentioned some ongoing projects.

Mr. Chapjian stated the budget process is starting. Ted Stevens has been appointed General Superintendent as of July 30.

C. COMMISSIONERS

President Waterfield asked for comments from the Commissioners.

Commissioner Goldberg said we have incredible baseball in Long Beach and mentioned his son's team moving on to the Super Regional.

Commissioner Guerra thanked Mr. Ruggirello for a great Dance Fest. The venue was filled. He asked staff about the medians on Long Beach Boulevard between Del Amo Boulevard and the 710 Freeway. He said the street was repaved and then ripped up.

Mr. Arevalo responded that people complained that they had to go to the corner to cross, so Public Works ripped it up and they are working on this project.

XIV. NEXT MEETING

President Waterfield stated that the next meeting would be held at 9:00 a.m., on Thursday, August 18, 2011, at the El Dorado Park West Community Center, in the Senior Center Library, 2800 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach, California.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

President Waterfield adjourned the meeting at 11:46 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin Black
Executive Assistant to the Director

c: George Chapjian, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine

Charles Durnin, Chair
Donita Van Horik, Vice-Chair



Becky Blair, Commissioner
Alan Fox, Commissioner
Leslie Gentile, Commissioner
Phil Saumur, Commissioner
Melani Smith, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:03 PM)

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At 5:03 p.m., Chair Durnin called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:03 PM)

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Boardmembers Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile and Donita
Present: Van Horik

Boardmembers Melani Smith and Becky Blair
Absent:

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator; Jill Griffiths, Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Cuentin Jackson, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE (5:04 PM)

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Commissioner Gentile led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:04 PM)

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11-043PL

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of July 21, 2011.

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

Yes: 4 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin and Leslie Fernald Gentile

Abstain: 1 - Donita Van Horik

Absent: 2 - Melani Smith and Becky Blair

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:05 PM)

see media

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

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:05 PM)

see media

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)

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see media

1. 11-044 PL Recommendation to recommend City Council approve an amendment to the Douglas Aircraft Planned Development District (PD-19) to replace the allowance of interim uses to permanent use. (District 5) (Application No. 1105-12)

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Cuentin Jackson, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Durnin and Derek Burnham.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Mario Stavale, representing the Boeing Company, responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

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

Yes: 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile and Donita Van Horik

Absent: 2 - Melani Smith and Becky Blair

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:20 PM)

see media

There was no public comment given.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (5:20 PM)

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Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, responded to a query from Chair Durnin.

ADJOURNMENT (5:20 PM)

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At 5:20 p.m., Chair Durnin adjourned the meeting.

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