



CITY OF LONG BEACH

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CHAIR AND PLANNING COMMISSIONERS

City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution certifying the Local Development Report and its conformance with the Congestion Management Program. (Citywide)

APPLICANT: City of Long Beach
333 W. Ocean Boulevard
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DISCUSSION

Public concern over the impacts of traffic congestion and air pollution on the State's economic vitality and quality of life contributed to the passage of Proposition 111 in 1990. Proposition 111 instituted the Congestion Management Program (CMP) and an increase in State gas tax for traffic reduction measures. The intent of this State-mandated program (§65088 et seq.) is to address the impacts of local growth on the regional transportation system. The CMP comprises two main program areas: (1) traffic and building permit data collection and analysis, and (2) action plans to reduce traffic congestion on regional highways and corridors.

Traffic congestion is, in part, the result of intra-regional travel; as a result, the ability of one city to address traffic congestion within its jurisdiction is limited. Land use and transportation planning occurs individually within the 89 jurisdictions in Los Angeles County. The CMP encourages cities and counties to address traffic congestion on a regional scale. By utilizing a regional approach, the CMP seeks to maximize the effectiveness of local efforts to reduce traffic congestion and air pollution. The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA), which administers the CMP in Los Angeles County, uses the traffic and building permit data collected from cities and the County to create a "snapshot" of how the County's highways and roadways operate as a system. This understanding of regional traffic congestion, and its relationship to local growth and transportation improvements, aids cities and the County in selecting the best mix of projects and strategies to reduce traffic congestion.

In addition, the CMP requires cities and counties to offset a portion of the impact that their new development has on regional mobility by implementing coordinated transportation improvements. Previously, cities and the County demonstrated compliance with the CMP by utilizing a point system – implementing tracking debits from new developments and credits from capital improvements and strategies to reduce traffic congestion – where cities and the County must have a positive balance of credits over debits to maintain CMP conformance and to ensure receipt of Proposition 111 State gas tax funds.

However, in August 2003, the MTA Board authorized a Nexus Study to explore the feasibility of implementing a congestion mitigation fee to meet CMP Deficiency Plan requirements. While this study is underway, the CMP point system has been suspended. Nevertheless, the City is still required to certify and report building permit data on an annual basis. In that regard, the Department of Development Services has prepared the Local Development Report (LDR) (Exhibit A). The LDR is organized into three parts: New Development Activities, New Development Adjustments (i.e., demolition activity) and Exempt Development Activity (e.g., low income housing). For this reporting period, residential permits have significantly shifted upwards while commercial building permits have continued to shift downward as a result of current economic conditions.

There have been a few noteworthy projects that received their building permits during this reporting period:

- The Long Beach Senior Arts Colony at Long Beach Boulevard and Anaheim Street provides affordable housing, promotes a healthy, active lifestyle, and is conveniently located near the Metro Blue Line.
- The Coronado Townhomes on Atlantic Avenue between 21st and Hill Street also provide affordable housing and play an integral role in revitalizing the Atlantic Avenue Corridor.
- North Long Beach's Fire Station 12 better serves firefighters with improved amenities and the community with decreased noise pollution through fire trucks having more efficient access to the garages.
- The construction of a new parking structure at the Long Beach Airport eliminated the need for a remote parking location and shuttle services to terminals, which decreases the airport's greenhouse gas emissions and increases convenience for travelers.
- Douglas Park permits mixed-use development, catering to a variety of business and retail interests.
- The Fresh & Easy on Atlantic Avenue and 33rd Street provides healthy, affordable food options and job opportunities for residents.
- The new Bikestation, located on the First Street Transit Mall, promotes the use of the City's extensive bike routes and transit by providing reliable bicycle parking, rentals, and retail.
- The Aubry homes at Alamitos Ridge are an attractive housing option for new and current Long Beach residents and the homes' exceptional energy efficiency aligns with the City's goals to be a leader in sustainability.

This report of development in Long Beach will aid the MTA's study on congestion management and alleviation. In order to comply with deadlines set forth by the MTA, the LDR must be certified by the City Council and submitted to the Metropolitan Transportation Authority by September 1, 2011.

GENERAL PLAN CONSISTENCY

The proposed 2010-2011 Local Development Report (LDR) of the Congestion Management Plan (CMP) is consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan. The Congestion Management Program is intended to allow for growth balanced with transportation improvements that will mitigate traffic impacts. Traffic improvements attract businesses while improving the quality of life for residents. These efforts are consistent with the growth management and economic development goals of the General Plan.

Respectfully submitted,



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Exhibit A: Local Development Report 2010-2011: Congestion Management Program

City of Long Beach
2011 CMP Local Development Report
Reporting Period: JUNE 1, 2010 - MAY 31, 2011

Date Prepared: July 5, 2011

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**CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
 FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY**

2010 DEFICIENCY PLAN SUMMARY¹

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DEVELOPMENT TOTALS

RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Dwelling Units

Single Family Residential	41.00
Multi-Family Residential	239.00
Group Quarters	14.00

COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

1,000 Net Sq.Ft.²

Commercial (less than 300,000 sq.ft.)	(26.68)
Commercial (300,000 sq.ft. or more)	0.00
Freestanding Eating & Drinking	0.00

NON-RETAIL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

1,000 Net Sq.Ft.²

Lodging	0.00
Industrial	136.00
Office (less than 50,000 sq.ft.)	(9.27)
Office (50,000-299,999 sq.ft.)	(21.60)
Office (300,000 sq.ft. or more)	0.00
Medical	0.00
Government	11.46
Institutional/Educational	0.00
University (# of students)	0.00

OTHER DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Daily Trips

ENTER IF APPLICABLE	0.00
ENTER IF APPLICABLE	0.00

EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT TOTALS

Exempted Dwelling Units	0
Exempted Non-residential sq. ft. (in 1,000s)	0

1. Note: Please change dates on this form for later years.

2. Net square feet is the difference between new development and adjustments entered on pages 2 and 3.

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PART 1: NEW DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Category	Dwelling Units
Single Family Residential	59.00
Multi-Family Residential	242.00
Group Quarters	14.00

COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Category	1,000 Gross Square Feet
Commercial (less than 300,000 sq.ft.)	27.76
Commercial (300,000 sq.ft. or more)	0.00
Freestanding Eating & Drinking	0.00

NON-RETAIL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Category	1,000 Gross Square Feet
Lodging	0.00
Industrial	179.18
Office (less than 50,000 sq.ft.)	15.56
Office (50,000-299,999 sq.ft.)	87.22
Office (300,000 sq.ft. or more)	0.00
Medical	0.00
Government	11.46
Institutional/Educational	0.00
University (# of students)	0.00

OTHER DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Description (Attach additional sheets if necessary)	Daily Trips (Enter "0" if none)
Improvements to terminal area at Long Beach airport	0.00
ENTER IF APPLICABLE	0.00

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Date Prepared: June 30, 2011

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PART 2: NEW DEVELOPMENT ADJUSTMENTS

IMPORTANT: Adjustments may be claimed only for 1) development permits that were both issued and revoked, expired or withdrawn during the reporting period, and 2) demolition of any structure with the reporting period.

RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ADJUSTMENTS

Category	Dwelling Units
Single Family Residential	18.00
Multi-Family Residential	3.00
Group Quarters	0.00

COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Category	1,000 Gross Square Feet
Commercial (less than 300,000 sq.ft.)	54.44
Commercial (300,000 sq.ft. or more)	0.00
Freestanding Eating & Drinking	0.00

NON-RETAIL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Category	1,000 Gross Square Feet
Lodging	0.00
Industrial	43.18
Office (less than 50,000 sq.ft.)	24.83
Office (50,000-299,999 sq.ft.)	108.83
Office (300,000 sq.ft. or more)	0.00
Medical	0.00
Government	0.00
Institutional/Educational	0.00
University (# of students)	0.00

OTHER DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Description (Attach additional sheets if necessary)	Daily Trips (Enter "0" if none)
ENTER IF APPLICABLE	0.00
ENTER IF APPLICABLE	0.00

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PART 3: EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY
(NOT INCLUDED IN NEW DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY TOTALS)

Low/Very Low Income Housing	0	Dwelling Units
High Density Residential Near Rail Stations	0	Dwelling Units
Mixed Use Developments Near Rail Stations	0	1,000 Gross Square Feet
	0	Dwelling Units
Development Agreements Entered into Prior to July 10, 1989	0	1,000 Gross Square Feet
	0	Dwelling Units
Reconstruction of Buildings Damaged in April 1992 Civil Unrest	0	1,000 Gross Square Feet
	0	Dwelling Units
Reconstruction of Buildings Damaged in Jan. 1994 Earthquake	0	1,000 Gross Square Feet
	0	Dwelling Units
Total Dwelling Units	0	
Total Non-residential sq. ft. (in 1,000s)	0	

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Exempted Development Definitions:

1. Low/Very Low Income Housing: As defined by the California Department of Housing and Community Development as follows:
 - Low-Income: equal to or less than 80% of the County median income, with adjustments for family size.
 - Very Low-Income: equal to or less than 50% of the County median income, with adjustments for family size.
2. High Density Residential Near Rail Stations: Development located within 1/4 mile of a fixed rail passenger station and that is equal to or greater than 120 percent of the maximum residential density allowed under the local general plan and zoning ordinance. A project providing a minimum of 75 dwelling units per acre is automatically considered high density.
3. Mixed Uses Near Rail Stations: Mixed-use development located within 1/4 mile of a fixed rail passenger station, if more than half of the land area, or floor area, of the mixed use development is used for high density residential housing.
4. Development Agreements: Projects that entered into a development agreement (as specified under Section 65864 of the California Government Code) with a local jurisdiction prior to July 10, 1989.
5. Reconstruction or replacement of any residential or non-residential structure which is damaged or destroyed, to the extent of > or = to 50% of its reasonable value, by fire, flood, earthquake or other similar calamity.
6. Any project of a federal, state or county agency that is exempt from local jurisdiction zoning regulations and where the local jurisdiction is precluded from exercising any approval/disapproval authority. These locally precluded projects do not have to be reported in the LDR.