

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2015
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM**

Alan Fox, Chair
Mark Christoffels, Vice Chair



Donita Van Horik, Commissioner
Jane Templin, Commissioner
Andy Perez, Commissioner
Erick Verduzco-Vega, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:28 PM)

At 5:28 p.m., Chair Fox called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:29 PM)

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager; Jeff Winklepleck, Current Planning Officer; Christopher Koontz, Advance Planning Officer; Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney; Angela Reynolds, Deputy Director of Development; Derek Wieske, Assistant City Engineer; Malcolm Oscarson, Public Works; Ira Brown, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

Commissioners Jane Templin, Mark Christoffels, Alan Fox, Donita Van Horik,
Present: Andy Perez and Erick Verduzco-Vega

FLAG SALUTE (5:29 PM)

Commissioner Van Horik led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:30 PM)

15-042PL Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of August 6, 2015.

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

Yes: 6 - Jane Templin, Mark Christoffels, Alan Fox, Donita Van Horik, Andy Perez and Erick Verduzco-Vega

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:30 PM)

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

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:31 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 (5:31 PM)

1. 15-044PL Recommendation to find the projects listed in the Proposed Fiscal Year 2016 Capital Improvement Program (FY 2016 CIP) in conformity with the General Plan and accept Categorical Exemption 15-111. (Citywide) (Application No. CIP-16)

Jeff Winklepleck, Current Planning Officer, introduced Ira Brown, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Malcolm Oscarson, Budget Officer of the Public Works Department, provided an overview of the 2016 Capital Improvement Program.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Christoffels and Malcolm Oscarson.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Derek Wieske, Assistant City Engineer, responded to queries from Commissioner Templin.

Commissioner Perez spoke.

Commissioner Verduzco-Vega spoke.

Malcolm Oscarson responded to a query from Commissioner Verduzco-Vega.

Chair Fox spoke.

Gary Shelton provided public comment.

Malcolm Oscarson responded to queries from Chair Fox.

Ira Brown spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Jane Templin, Mark Christoffels, Alan Fox, Donita Van Horik, Andy Perez and Erick Verduzco-Vega

2. 15-045PL

Recommendation to recommend that the City Council receive and file the West Long Beach Livability Implementation Plan. (Districts 1, 2, 6, 7, and 8)

Chair Fox spoke.

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

Commissioner Perez recused himself from the item.

Commissioner Verduzco-Vega recused himself from the item.

Chair Fox spoke.

Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager, introduced Christopher Koontz, Advance Planning Officer, who presented the staff report.

Melani Smith, consultant from Melendrez, provided an overview of the West Long Beach Livability Implementation Plan.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Christopher Koontz responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Chair Fox spoke.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Templin and Melani Smith.

Angela Reynolds, Deputy Director of Development, spoke.

Chair Fox spoke.

Amy Webber responded to a query from Chair Fox.

Christopher Koontz responded to a query from Chair Fox.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, responded to a query from Chair Fox.

Lee Fukui provided public comment.

Weston LaBarr, Executive Director of the Harbor Trucking Association, provided public comment.

Elizabeth Warren, Executive Director of Future Ports, provided public comment.

T.L. Garrett, Pacific Merchant Shipping Association, provided public comment.

Jan Victor Dawson, Eastyard Communities for Environmental Justice, provided public comment.

Bill Cathcault provided public comment.

Bob Ladd provided public comment.

Chair Fox swore in a member of the audience wishing to speak.

Jim Dano provided public comment.

Mauna Eichner provided public comment.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Angela Reynolds responded to queries from Commissioner Templin.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Christopher Koontz responded to a query from Commissioner Christoffels.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Angela Reynolds responded to a query from Commissioner Christoffels.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Angela Reynolds responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Linda Tatum responded to a query from Commissioner Christoffels.

Amy Webber responded to a query from Chair Fox.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Van Horik, seconded by Vice Chair Christoffels, to approve the recommendation with an amendment to include additional language recommending the City Council consider taking additional action beyond receiving and filing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Jane Templin, Mark Christoffels, Alan Fox and Donita Van Horik

Recused: 2 - Andy Perez and Erick Verduzco-Vega

STUDY SESSION (7:02 PM)

3. 15-046PL Recommendation to conduct a study session regarding the Civic Center project and Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, introduced the study session item.

Jeff Fullerton, PECP, presented an overview of the Civic Center project.

Paul Danna, Design Director for SLM Architects, spoke.

Jeff Fullerton spoke.

Jennifer Gutherie, Gustafson, Gutherie and Nichols Landscape Architects, spoke.

Kelly Sutherlin Mcleod, KSM Architects, spoke.

Paul Danna spoke.

Amy Bodek spoke.

Jeff Winklepleck spoke.

Lindsey Sarkiaz, Rincon Consultants, discussed the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for the project.

Amy Bodek spoke.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Christoffels and Amy Bodek.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Commissioner Verduzco-Vega spoke.

Jeff Fullerton responded to a query from Commissioner Verduzco-Vega.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Verduzco-Vega.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Van Horik and Amy Bodek.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Templin and Amy Bodek.

Gary Shelton provided public comment.

Margaret Smith, Board Member and Vice President of Public Affairs for Long Beach Public Library Foundation, provided public comment.

Sarah Meyers, Executive Director of Long Beach Public Library Foundation, provided public comment.

Bob Ladd provided public comment.

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

Allison Kribb provided public comment.

Chair Fox spoke.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (8:30 PM)

There was no public comment given.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (8:30 PM)

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, spoke.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager, responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Amy Bodek spoke.

ADJOURNMENT (8:31 PM)

At 8:31 p.m., Chair Fox adjourned the meeting.

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