

**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
F. PHIL INFELISE, PRESIDENT
FEBRUARY 17, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 17, 2010, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: F. Phil Infelise, Ahmed Saafir, Jeanne Karatsu, Carolyn Smith Watts

MEMBER EXCUSED: Douglas Haubert

OTHERS PRESENT: Mario R. Beas, Executive Director & Secretary
Melinda George, Deputy Director
Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer
Marilyn Hall, Executive Assistant
Ken Walker, Personnel Operations Manager, Human Resources

President F. Phil Infelise presided.

President Infelise introduced newly appointed Commissioner Carolyn Smith Watts and welcomed her to the Commission.

MINUTES: It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of February 10, 2010, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

REQUEST FOR SELECTIVE CERTIFICATION: The Secretary presented a communication from Phil T. Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine, requesting Commission authorization for the selective certification for individuals who possess specific aquatic skills and abilities from the Recreation Assistant eligible list. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Lourdes Ferrer, Personnel Analyst. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the request be approved, pursuant to Section 28 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

BULLETINS:

It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Watts and carried that the following Job Opportunity Bulletins be approved, with the amendment to General Librarian to include the statement "effectively relate to a multicultural, multiethnic population". The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Department Librarian
General Librarian
Water Utility Mechanic

EXAMINATION RESULTS:

HOUSING SPECIALIST – 47 Applied, 14 Qualified

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the subject examination results be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

EXTENSION OF EXPIRING ELIGIBLE LISTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following eligible lists be extended for an additional six months. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Building Maintenance Engineer
Civil Engineer (2/25/09 & 8/26/09)
Public Health Nutritionist (2/25/09)
Public Safety Dispatcher (8/26/09)

RETIREMENTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Karatsu, seconded by Commissioner Watts and carried that the following retirements be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

James Washington/General Librarian/Library
Alvin Arante/Business Systems Specialist III/Technology Services

RESIGNATIONS:

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the following resignations be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Vincent Price/Police Officer/Police
Jenny O'Connor/Environmental Health Specialist II/Health
Amy Blackburn/Special Services Officer III/Airport

MANAGERS' REPORT:

Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer, welcomed Commissioner Carolyn Smith Watts.

Melinda George, Deputy Director, informed the Commission that staff was out conducting the Police Sergeant and Fire Captain examinations at Long Beach Gas and Oil and the Water Treatment Plant.

The Secretary informed the Commission that City Council would be considering the request for additional funds for the Fire Recruit and Fire Lateral examinations on the March 2, 2010 agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

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



MARIO R. BEAS
Secretary

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Melani Smith, Chair
Charles Durnin, Vice-Chair



Becky Blair, Commissioner
Alan Fox, Commissioner
Leslie Gentile, Commissioner
Phil Saumur, Commissioner
Donita Van Horik, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:10 PM)

At 5:10 p.m., Chair Smith called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:10 PM)

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Boardmembers Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie
Present: Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith and Donita Van Horik

Boardmembers Becky Blair
Absent:

Also present: Reggie Harrison, Interim Director of Development Services; Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Jeff Winklepleck, Planner; Angie Zetterquist, Planner; Steven Valdez, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE (5:10 PM)

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Commissioner Fox led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:11 PM)

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10-002PL

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of December 17, 2009.

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

Yes: 6 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith and Donita Van Horik

Absent: 1 - Becky Blair

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:12 PM)

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Reggie Harrison, Interim Director of Development Services, spoke.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:16 PM)

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Elizabeth Lambe, Executive Director of Los Cerritos Wetlands Land Trust, spoke.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:20 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.

REGULAR AGENDA (5:21 PM)

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1. 10-001PL Recommendation to approve Site Plan Review and Standards Variance requests for a proposed 9-story, 250,000-square-foot office building above a 2-story parking structure, and a new 55,000-square-foot maintenance facility for the Port of Long Beach on a 17-acre site located at 669 Harbor Plaza Drive in the IP (Port Related Industrial) zone. (District 2) (Application No. 0804-07)

Chair Smith and Commissioner Gentile recused themselves from the item.

Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Nick Sramek, President of the Board of the Harbor Commission, spoke.

Peter Barsuk of Gensler, discussed the architectural elements of the project.

Angie Zetterquist responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Angie Zetterquist and Peter Barsuk responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Peter Barsuk responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Vice Chair Durnin spoke.

Commissioner Fox 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: 4 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin and Donita Van Horik

Excused: 2 - Leslie Fernald Gentile and Melani Smith

Absent: 1 - Becky Blair

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2. 10-003PL

Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit to establish a wine bar with on-site alcohol sales (Type 42 license - beer and wine only) and a retail store with accessory off-site beer and wine sales (Type 20 license) at a commercial space located within the Lafayette Building at 144 Linden Avenue in the PD-30 zone. (District 2) (Application No. 0911-13)

Angie Zetterquist, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Mark Dunton, applicant, spoke.

Daniel Stewart, 215 Atlantic Avenue, spoke.

Mark Dunton responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Mark Dunton spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith and Donita Van Horik

Absent: 1 - Becky Blair

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3. 10-004PL Recommendation to approve a Site Plan Review and Conditional Use Permit, certify Negative Declaration 09-09, and recommend that the City Council approve a General Plan Amendment from LUD #8N (Shopping Nodes) to LUD #4 (High Density Residential), and a rezone from CCA (Automobile-Oriented Commercial) to CCN (Community R-4-N) for the construction of a 61-unit affordable senior apartment building at 3290 E. Artesia Boulevard. A second parcel located at 3232 E. Artesia Boulevard is also included in the project. That parcel will only undergo a General Plan Amendment and Zone Change. (District 9) (Application No. 0812-13)

Steven Valdez, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Steven Valdez and Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer, responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Steven Valdez responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

A dialogue ensued between Michael Mais, Jill Griffiths and Commissioner Fox.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Vice Chair Durnin.

Tom Hodgin, Palm Desert Development, applicant, spoke.

Vince Chupka, Humphries and Partners Architects, project architect, discussed the architectural elements of the project.

Tom Hodgin spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Mr. Hodgin and Commissioner Gentile.

Mr. Hodgin responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Mr. Hodgin and Commissioner Fox.

Mr. Hodgin responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Steven Valdez responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Mr. Hodgin responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Steven Valdez responded to a query from Chair Smith.

A dialogue ensued between Mr. Hodgins and Chair Smith.

Dennis Fitzgerald, 5829 Damon Street, Lakewood, spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

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

Yes: 6 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith and Donita Van Horik

Absent: 1 - Becky Blair

STUDY SESSION - Golden Shore Development (7:15 PM)

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Chair Smith recused herself from the discussion.

Commissioner Gentile left the meeting early.

Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner, presented the study session regarding the Golden Shore development.

Dan Clark, lead design architect, spoke.

Dan Clark responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Durnin and Dan Clark.

Mr. Clark responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur, Mr. Clark and George Medak of the development team.

A dialogue ensued between George Medak, Skip Keesal and Commissioner Fox.

Vice Chair Durnin spoke.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (7:46 PM)

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A dialogue ensued between members of the Commission and staff.

Jill Griffiths responded to a query from Vice Chair Durnin.

ADJOURNMENT (7:55 PM)

At 7:55 p.m., Vice Chair Durnin adjourned the meeting.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: February 18, 2010 - 5:00 PM