

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2014
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM**

Donita Van Horik, Chair
Alan Fox, Vice Chair



Molly Campbell, Commissioner
Mark Christoffels, Commissioner
Phil Saumur, Commissioner
Melani Smith, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:05 PM)

At 5:05 p.m., Chair Van Horik called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:05 PM)

Commissioners Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Donita Van
Present: Horik and Mark Christoffels

Commissioners Molly Campbell

Absent:

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Jeff Winklepleck, Acting Planning Administrator; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Jorge Ramirez, Planner; Ira Brown, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE (5:06 PM)

Commissioner Smith led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:06 PM)

14-030PL Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of May 1, 2014.

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

Yes: 4 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Donita Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Abstain: 1 - Melani Smith

Absent: 1 - Molly Campbell

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:07 PM)

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

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:10 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 (5:11 PM)

1. 14-031PL Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) request and accept a Categorical Exemption (CE 14-013) to add an outdoor bar to an existing restaurant located at 3441 E. Broadway, within the Commercial Neighborhood Residential (CNR) zone. (District 3) (Application No. 1402-09)

Jeff Winklepleck, Acting Planning Administrator, introduced Jorge Ramirez, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Jorge Ramirez responded to queries from Commissioner Christoffels.

Jorge Ramirez responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Jeff Winklepleck responded to queries from Chair Van Horik.

Steve Massis, owner, spoke.

Rosie Bouquin provided public comment.

Kurt Schneiter provided public comment.

Andrew Virtue provided public comment.

Angela Almaguer provided public comment.

Pedro Blanco, Kardent Design, representing the applicant, spoke.

Michelle Toledo provided public comment.

Steve Massis responded to public comment.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Steve Massis.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Van Horik and Steve Massis.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

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

Yes: 5 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Absent: 1 - Molly Campbell

2. 14-032PL

Recommendation to find the proposed subsurface street vacation adjacent to 230 Broadway, formerly known as the American Hotel, in conformance with the adopted goals and policies of the City's General Plan and accept Categorical Exemption 14-008. (District 2) (Application No. 1402-01)

Jeff Winklepleck, Acting Planning Administrator, introduced Ira Brown, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Ira Brown responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Jeff Winklepleck responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Jeff Winklepleck responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Jan van Dijs, applicant, spoke.

Commissioner Christoffels spoke.

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

Yes: 5 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Absent: 1 - Molly Campbell

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:48 PM)

Jerry Evans provided public comment.

Gretchen Swanson provided public comment.

Barbara Newell provided public comment.

Casey Allen provided public comment.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, spoke.

Casey Allen spoke.

Nicolaas Chomenko provided public comment.

Chair Van Horik spoke.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (6:00 PM)

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

ADJOURNMENT (6:02 PM)

At 6:02 p.m., Chair Van Horik adjourned the meeting.

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