

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 DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:02 PM)

At 5:02 p.m., Chair Smith called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:02 PM)

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

Also present: Larry Brugger, Superintendent of Building and Safety; Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer; Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Ira Brown, Project Planner; Steven Valdez, Project Planner; Cuentin Jackson, Project Planner; Lynette Ferenczy, Project Planner; Heidi Eidson, Planning Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE (5:02 PM)

Commissioner Gentile led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:03 PM)

09-063PL Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of November 19, 2009.

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

Yes: 7 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

09-067PL Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of December 3, 2009.

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

Yes: 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Abstain: 2 - Leslie Fernald Gentile and Melani Smith

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:08 PM)

There was no Director's Report given.

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced Larry Brugger, Superintendent of Building and Safety.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:08 PM)

The was no public comment given.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:08 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 (5:09 PM)

1. 09-059PL Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit to allow the installation of a roof-mounted telecommunications site consisting of six panel antennas, three microwave dishes and an equipment cabinet located at 4540 Orange Avenue within the R-4-N zone. (District 7) (Application No. 0907-08A)

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

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Chair Smith.

Lynn Van Aken, applicant's representative, spoke.

Lynn Van Aken responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Eyal Shlomot, 216 Quincy Avenue, spoke.

Eyal Shlomot responded to a query from Chair Smith.

Derek Burnham and Lynn Van Aken responded to Mr. Shlomot's comment.

Lynn Van Aken responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Lynn Van Aken responded to a query from Chair Smith.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, spoke.

Tony Rivera, Chair of West PAC, spoke.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Chair Smith.

Tony Rivera responded to Mr. Mais's comment.

Eyal Shlomot clarified his earlier comments.

Chair Smith spoke.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

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

Yes: 7 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

2. 09-060PL Recommendation to approve a Conditional Use Permit to allow a check cashing use at 1425 Magnolia Avenue located in the Light Industrial (IL) zoning district. (District 1) (Application No. 0904-04)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Steven Valdez, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

A dialogue ensued between Derek Burnham and Commissioner Fox.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Derek Burnham and Steven Valdez responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Steven Valdez responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Derek Burnham responded to a comment from Chair Smith spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

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

Yes: 7 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

3. 09-062PL

Recommendation to approve a request for a modification to an approved permit to upgrade an unmanned telecommunication facility at the Gaytonia Apartment Building, a designated historic landmark located at 212 Quincy Avenue in the R-1-N zone. (District 3) (Application No. 0906-17)

Commissioner Gentile recused herself from the item.

Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer, introduced Lynette Ferenczy, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Lynn Van Aken, applicant's representative, spoke.

Lynn Van Aken and Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to a query from Commissioner Durnin.

Lynn Van Aken responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Eyal Shlomot, 216 Quincy Avenue, spoke.

Staff responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Lynn Van Aken responded to public comment.

Chair Smith 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: 6 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

4. 09-064PL Recommendation to certify an Environmental Impact Report and approve a Resolution with a Statement of Overriding Considerations; recommend approval of a Site Plan Review and Local Coastal Development Permit for rehabilitation of the Alamitos Bay Marina basins 1-7 located on the Peninsula, Naples Island, Marina Pacifica and Marina Drive. (District 3) (Application No. 0801-08)

Chair Smith and Commissioner Gentile recused themselves from the item.

Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Mark Sandoval, Manager of the Marine Bureau, introduced members of the Marine Bureau staff, LSA representatives and Marine Advisory Commissioners. He then presented the staff report.

Lynette Ferenczy, Project Planner, presented the Planning Bureau portion of the staff report.

Jill Griffiths, presented the environmental component of the staff report.

Mark Sandoval responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Mark Sandoval responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Michael Lesner, 203 N. Marina Drive, spoke.

Harry Hutton, 3151 Marna Avenue, Chair of the Marine Advisory Commission, spoke.

Ron Wood, 241 The Toledo, Staff Commodore of the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, spoke.

Jim Litzinger, 99 - 63rd Place, President of Long Beach Rowing Association, spoke.

Bob Ladd, 645 Chestnut, spoke.

Bill Waterhouse, 119 Bayshore Avenue, spoke.

Larry Goodhue, address on file, spoke.

John Cowess, no address given, spoke.

Willard May, 5875 Appian Way, President of the Long Beach Marine Institute, spoke.

Ron Warren, 12040 Paramount Boulevard, Commodore of the Navy Yacht Club, spoke.

Drew Satarino, no address given, Staff Commodore of the Long Beach Yacht Club, spoke.

Roger Gripe, 23467 Coyotes Springs Drive, Diamond Bar, spoke.

Jeff Dawson, no address given, Vice Commodore of the Seal Beach Yacht Club, spoke.

Alfredo Fernandez, 293 N. Marina Drive, Long Beach Marina Boat Owners Association, spoke.

Michael Larrison, no address given, spoke.

Alfredo Fernandez responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Mark Sandoval and Commissioner Saumur.

Mark Sandoval responded to public comment.

Mark Sandoval responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Commissioner Saumur, to approve the recommendation including the adoption of a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

5. 09-065PL

Recommendation to recommend that the City Council amend Zoning Regulations governing truck transfer and distribution uses in the Industrial Zoning Districts to require a Conditional Use Permit and special development standards including landscaping buffers, adequate paving, parking-stall striping, sufficient lighting, and adequate screening from the public right-of-way.

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Steven Valdez, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Derek Burnham and Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

A dialogue ensued between Derek Burnham and Commissioner Blair.

Tony Rivera, Chair of West PAC, spoke.

Tony Rivera responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Tony Rivera responded to queries from Commissioner Durnin.

Paul Collins, 1415 Cota Avenue, spoke.

Paul Collins responded to a query from Chair Smith.

Ernest Rivera, West PAC, spoke and read a letter from Bill Townsend, President of the Magnolia Industrial Group.

A dialogue ensued between Derek Burnham and Commissioner Gentile.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Chair Smith spoke.

Michael Mais responded to queries from Commissioner Blair spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Commissioner Durnin spoke.

Chair Smith spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Michael Mais spoke.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Saumur, seconded by Commissioner Durnin, to continue the item to the Planning Commission meeting of January 21, 2010, to allow staff time to work with the community to draft development standards to bring back to the Planning Commission for consideration, not including a requirement for a Conditional Use Permit.

Yes: 7 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

6. 09-066PL Recommendation to approve finding of conformity with the adopted General Plan for the vacation of three alley portions between Argonne and Pomona Avenues. (District 3) (Application No. 121709-1)

(ITEM TAKEN OUT OF ORDER)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced Ira Brown, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Ira Brown responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Philip Balmeo, Public Works, responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

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

Yes: 7 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Alan L. Fox, Charles Durnin, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (8:52 PM)

Jill Griffiths and Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

ADJOURNMENT (8:55 PM)

At 8:55 p.m., Chair Smith adjourned the meeting.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: January 7, 2010 - 5:00 PM

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