# CITY OF LONG BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

Melani Smith, Chair Charles Durnin, Vice-Chair



THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2010 333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD, COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM

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

### FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

#### CALL TO ORDER (5:12 PM)

At 5:12 p.m., Chair Smith called the meeting to order.

#### ROLL CALL (5:12 PM)

Boardmembers Phillip Joseph Saumur, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith,

Present: Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Boardmembers Alan L. Fox and Charles Durnin

Excused:

Also present: Reginald Harrison, Interim Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Mark Hungerford, Project Planner; Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner; Jeff Sedlak, Senior Civil Engineer; Pat Garrow, Project Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

#### FLAG SALUTE (5:12 PM)

Commissioner Saumur led the flag salute.

#### **MINUTES (5:13 PM)**

10-017PL Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes

of March 4, 2010.

Item continued to May 6, 2010 Planning Commission meeting.

10-018PL Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes

of April 1, 2010.

Item continued to May 6, 2010 Planning Commission meeting.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:14 PM)**

Reginald Harrison, Interim Director of Development Services, presented the Director's Report.

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, spoke.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:17 PM)**

There was no public comment given at this time.

#### SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:17 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.

#### STUDY SESSION (5:18 PM)

1. 10-021PL Recommendation to receive and file materials related to the study session for Atlantic Senior Assisted Living Facility.

Reginald Harrison, Interim Director of Development Services, introduced Dean Isaacson, applicant.

Bruce Labins, Project Architect, presented the study session item.

Dean Isaacson spoke.

Mr. Isaacson responded to queries from Commissioner Saumur.

Mr. Labins responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Mr. Isaacson responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, responded to a query from Commissioner Blair.

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

Mr. Isaacson responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Derek Burnham and Mr. Isaacson responded to queries from Chair Smith.

Inge Johnson provided public comment.

Mary Lou Tryba provided public comment.

Jackie Madrid provided public comment.

Reg (no last name given )provided public comment.

Rodney Briggs provided public comment.

Martin Serpico provided public comment.

Phillipe Ruiz provided public comment.

Annie Greenfeld-Wisner provided public comment.

A member of the public, no name given, provided public comment.

Paline Soth provided public comment.

Pepper Russell read a letter on behalf of Lisa Wibroe.

Ma Klein provided public comment.

Brian Ulasewski provided public comment.

Polly Johnson provided public comment.

John Edmond, representing the 6th District Council Office, provided public comment.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Dean Isaacson responded to a comment from Commissioner Saumur.

Commissioner Gentile spoke.

Chair Smith spoke.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, 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: 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith,

Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Excused: 2 - Alan L. Fox and Charles Durnin

#### **CONTINUED ITEM (6:42 PM)**

#### 2. 10-016PL

Recommend that the City Council amend Zoning Regulations governing public and private landscaping to comply with State-adopted Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance. (Citywide)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Mark Hungerford, Project Planner, presented the staff report.

Mark Hungerford responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Derek Burnham and Commissioner Van Horik.

Commissioner Blair spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to Commissioner Blair's comments.

Meredith Reynolds, Office of Sustainability, spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Chair Smith spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

A motion was made by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Commissioner Saumur, to approve the recommendation with the recommendation that the City Council and the Water Board create economic incentives. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Leslie Fernald Gentile, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Excused: 2 - Alan L. Fox and Charles Durnin

## **REGULAR AGENDA (7:07 PM)**

3. 10-019PL

Recommendation to approve a Site Plan Review for the Long Beach

Airport Terminal Area Improvements located west (tarmac-side) of the Historic Terminal consisting of removing modular hold rooms, constructing one-story permanent hold rooms with restrooms and concession spaces and consolidating passenger security screening at 4100 Donald Douglas Drive. (District 5) (Application No. 0602-14)

Commissioners Gentile and Smith recused themselves from the item. (Commissioner Gentile left the meeting.)

Assistant City Attorney Michael Mais clarified the rules of what constitutes a quorum.

In the absence of a Chair and Vice Chair, Commissioner Saumur chaired the item.

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the item.

Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner, provided a brief update on the item and then introduced Jeff Sedlak, Senior Civil Engineer for the Long Beach Airport, who provided the staff report.

Ernest Serengo, Design Architect, commented on the architectural features of the project.

Darren Suri, Landscape Architect, spoke.

Jeff Sedlak spoke.

Jeff Sedlak responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Mario Rodriguez, Airport Director, responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Mike Kowal, President of Long Beach HUSH 2, provided public comment.

Kevin McAkron, representing Long Beach Airport Association, provided public comment.

Commissioner Blair 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: 3 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Donita Van Horik and Becky Blair

Abstain: 2 - Leslie Fernald Gentile and Melani Smith

Excused: 2 - Alan L. Fox and Charles Durnin

#### 4. 10-020PL

Recommendation to adopt negative Declaration 14-09 and recommend the City Council adopt the Historic Preservation Element into the Long Beach General Plan. (Citywide)

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced Pat Garrow, Project Planner, who gave a brief introduction to the item.

Frank Pirello, Consultant with Historic Resources Group, presented the staff report.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Pat Garrow responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Frank Pirello responded to queries from Commissioner Blair.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Blair and Derek Burnham.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

Chair Smith spoke.

Derek Burnham responded to a query from Chair Smith.

Frank Pirello responded to a comment from Chair Smith.

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

# **COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (8:26 PM)**

Chair Smith spoke.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to comments from Chair Smith.

Derek Burnham responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik and Chair Smith.

**ADJOURNMENT (8:30 PM)** 

At 8:30 p.m., Chair Smith adjourned the meeting.

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING: May 6, 2010 - 5:00 PM

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