

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2017  
VETERAN'S PARK COMMUNITY CENTER  
101 E. 28TH STREET, LONG BEACH, 5:00 PM**

Erick Verduzco-Vega, Chair  
Richard Lewis, Vice Chair  
Mark Christoffels, Commissioner



Ron Cruz, Commissioner  
Josh LaFarga, Commissioner  
Andy Perez, Commissioner  
Jane Templin, Commissioner

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**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

**Change in location to Veteran's Park Community Center - 101 E. 28th Street**

**FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

At 5:00 p.m., Chair Verduzco-Vega called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners** Josh LaFarga, Andy Perez, Jane Templin, Richard Lewis and  
**Present:** Erick Verduzco-Vega

**Commissioners** Mark Christoffels and Ron Cruz  
**Absent:**

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager; Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Alexis Oropeza, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Commissioner Perez led the flag salute.

**MINUTES**

- 17-076PL Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of October 5, 2017.

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

**Yes:** 5 - Josh LaFarga, Andy Perez, Jane Templin, Richard Lewis and Erick Verduzco-Vega

**Absent:** 2 - Mark Christoffels and Ron Cruz

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

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

Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer, spoke.

#### **SWEARING OF WITNESSES**

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**

1. 17-077PL Recommendation to accept Categorical Exemption CE17-134 and approve a Conditional Use Permit (CUP17-010) to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption (ABC Type 41 License) at an existing movie theater located in a shopping center (Long Beach Towne Center), located at 7501 E. Carson Street within the Community Automobile-Oriented (CCA) District. (District 5) (Application No. 1705-17)

Linda Tatum, Planning Bureau Manager, commented that the applicant had requested a continuance to November 2, 2017.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Templin, seconded by Vice Chair Lewis, to continue the item to November 2, 2017. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Josh LaFarga, Andy Perez, Jane Templin, Richard Lewis and Erick Verduzco-Vega

**Absent:** 2 - Mark Christoffels and Ron Cruz

2. 17-078PL Recommendation to determine the project exempt from further environmental review pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 (Subsequent Environmental Impact Reports and Negative Declarations) as the project is within the scope of the Midtown Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse No. 2015031034) and approve a Site Plan Review (SPR17-044) for the construction of a five-story mixed-use building containing 12,388 square feet of ground floor commercial space and 95 residential units at 1900-1940 Long Beach Boulevard in the Midtown Specific Plan (SP-1). (District 6) (Application No. 1709-32)

Carrie Tai, Current Planning Officer, introduced Alexis Oropeza, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Carrie Tai responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Commissioner Perez spoke.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, responded to a query from Commissioner Perez.

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Suny Lay Chang, Chief Operating Officer for LINC Housing, applicant, spoke.

Commissioner Perez spoke.

Suny Lay Chang responded to a query from Commissioner Perez.

Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Verduzco-Vega and Suny Lay Chang.

John Thomas, Chair of the Long Beach Community Investment Company, provided public comment.

Diana Budd provided public comment.

Kelly Pazelli provided public comment.

Jessica Shigley provided public comment.

Rene Castro, Director of Community Engagement for Century Villages at Cabrillo, provided public comment.

Edward Palmer provided public comment.

Tom Stout provided public comment.

Les Peters, Community Development Branch of the YMCA of Greater Long Beach, provided public comment.

Commissioner LaFarga spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to queries from Commissioner LaFarga.

Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to queries from Chair Verduzco-Vega.

Commissioner Perez spoke.

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

Commissioner Templin spoke.

Alexis Oropeza responded to a query from Commissioner Templin.

Vice Chair Lewis spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Templin, seconded by Vice Chair Lewis, to approve the recommendation.

Chair Verduzco-Vega spoke.

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

Carrie Tai spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Verduzco-Vega and Carrie Tai.

Linda Tatum spoke.

Vice Chair Lewis spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Templin, seconded by Vice Chair Lewis, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Josh LaFarga, Andy Perez, Jane Templin, Richard Lewis and Erick Verduzco-Vega

**Absent:** 2 - Mark Christoffels and Ron Cruz

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Robert Fox, Executive Director of the Council of Neighborhood Organizations, provided public comment.

Kary Sharp provided public comment.

Tom Stout provided public comment.

Nick Rose, Council of Neighborhood Organizations, provided public comment.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

There were no additional remarks from the Planning Commission.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:13 p.m., Chair Verduzco-Vega adjourned the meeting.

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