CITY OF LONG BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2013 333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD COUNCIL CHAMBER, 5:00 PM

Donita Van Horik, Chair Alan Fox, Vice Chair



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

FINAL AGENDA AND MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:04 PM)

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At 5:04 p.m., Chair Blair called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:04 PM)

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Commissioners Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Donita Van

Present: Horik, Becky Blair and Mark Christoffels

Commissioners Molly Campbell

Absent:

Also present: Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services; Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator; Jill Griffiths, Planning Officer; Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney; Jeff Winklepleck, Planner; Steve Gerhardt, Planner; Heidi Eidson, Bureau Secretary.

FLAG SALUTE (5:04 PM)

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Commissioner Smith led the flag salute.

MINUTES (5:05 PM)

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13-056PL

Recommendation to receive and file the Planning Commission minutes of September 5, 2013.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Van Horik, 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

Abstain: 1 - Becky Blair

Absent: 1 - Molly Campbell

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (5:06 PM)

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

SWEARING OF WITNESSES (5:09 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.

CONTINUED ITEMS (5:09 PM)

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1. 13-057PL

Recommendation to receive the supporting documentation into the record, conclude the public hearing, consider the appeal from Laurence B. Goodhue and uphold the decision of the Zoning Administrator to approve a Local Coastal Development Permit to allow the demolition of a 1,100-square-foot restroom that has not been in use for over 20 years and is considered an attractive nuisance, at the north end of Marine Stadium (across from 385 Wendy Lane). (District 3) (Application No. 1305-13)

Commissioner Smith recused herself from the item.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, spoke.

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, introduced Jeff Winklepleck, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

Larry Goodhue, appellant, spoke.

Michael Mais responded to a query from Chair Blair.

Chair Blair spoke.

Larry Goodhue spoke.

David Bys provided public comment.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and George Chapjian, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine.

George Chapjian responded to a query from Commissioner Van Horik.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Van Horik and Derek Burnham.

Larry Goodhue spoke.

George Chapjian responded to queries from Commissioner Fox.

Chair Blair spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

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

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

Excused: 1 - Melani Smith

Absent: 1 - Molly Campbell

REGULAR AGENDA (6:04 PM)

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2. 13-060PL

Recommendation to approve a Site Plan Review for the proposed adaptive reuse of an existing office building, commonly known as City Hall East, providing 156 dwelling units, approximately 3,621 square feet of retail space, based on the environmental review of the Downtown Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR), located at 100 Long Beach Boulevard. (District 2) (Application No. 1306-19)

Chair Blair spoke.

Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney, responded to a query from Chair Blair.

Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, introduced Steve Gerhardt, Project Planner, who presented the staff report.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Smith and Steve Gerhardt.

Commissioner Smith responded to a guery from Amy Bodek.

Derek Burnham, Planning Administrator, responded to a query from Commissioner Smith.

Steve Gerhardt responded to a query from Commissioner Saumur.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Smith and Steve Gerhardt.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Christoffels and Steve Gerhardt.

Amy Bodek responded to queries from Commissioner Christoffels.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Amy Bodek responded to a query from Commissioner Fox.

Cliff Ratkovich, applicant, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Smith and Cliff Ratkovich.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Van Horik and Steve Nakada, project architect.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Van Horik and Cliff Ratkovich.

Derek Burnham responded to comments made by Cliff Ratkovich.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Cliff Ratkovich.

Derek Burnham spoke.

Cliff Ratkovich responded to comments made by Derek Burnham.

Chair Blair spoke.

Cliff Ratkovich responded to a guery from Chair Blair.

Julie Korinke, representing Downtown Long Beach Associates, provided public comment.

Melinda Roney, President of Long Beach Heritage, provided public comment.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Saumur and Chair Blair.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Cliff Ratkovich responded to queries from Commissioner Van Horik.

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

Yes: 6 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Becky Blair. Donita Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Absent: 1 - Molly Campbell

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3. 13-058PL

Recommendation to elect a Chair of the Planning Commission for 2013-2014.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

Commissioner Fox spoke.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fox, seconded by Chair Blair, to elect Commissioner Van Horik as Chair of the Planning Commission for 2013-2014. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Alan L. Fox, Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Becky Blair, Donita Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Absent: 1 - Molly Campbell

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4. <u>13-059PL</u>

Recommendation to elect a Vice Chair of the Planning Commission for 2013-2014.

Commissioner Van Horik spoke.

Chair Blair spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Van Horik, seconded by Commissioner Saumur, to elect Commissioner Fox as the Vice Chair of the Planning Commissioner for 2013-2014. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Phillip Joseph Saumur, Melani Smith, Becky Blair, Donita

Van Horik and Mark Christoffels

Excused: 1 - Alan L. Fox

Absent: 1 - Molly Campbell

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (7:01 PM)

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There were no comments from the public.

COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION (7:01 PM)

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Commissioner Saumur spoke.

ADJOURNMENT (7:01 PM)

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At 7:01 p.m., Chair Blair adjourned the meeting.

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