



**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA
Thursday, August 1, 2019**

**Regular Meeting at 6:30 PM
West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers
625 N. San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood, California**

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NOTE: Any agenda item which has not been initiated by 10:30 P.M. may be continued to a subsequent Planning Commission Agenda.

Reminder: please speak clearly into microphones and turn off all cellular phones and pagers.

For additional information on any item listed below, please contact David J. DeGrazia, Current and Historic Preservation Planning Manager at (323) 848-6844 or Bianca Siegl, Long Range and Mobility Planning Manager at (323) 848-6853.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I pledge Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

3. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:

A. ELECTION OF CHAIR.

The Planning Commission will elect a Chair to the Planning Commission, for a term through June 30, 2020.

B. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR.

The Planning Commission will elect a Vice-Chair to the Planning Commission, for a term through June 30, 2020.

4. ROLL CALL

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

SUBJECT: The Planning Commission is requested to approve the Agenda.

RECOMMENDATION: 1) Approve the Agenda of Thursday, August 1, 2019.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

SUBJECT: The Planning Commission is requested to approve the minutes of prior Planning Commission meetings.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the draft minutes of:

A. July 18, 2019

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

This time, limited to a maximum of twenty (20) minutes, has been set aside for the public to address the Planning Commission on any item that is not set for public hearing or any item that is not on tonight's agenda. In accordance with the Brown Act, public comment relating to business not appearing on the agenda cannot be acted upon or discussed by the Commission during the meeting, but may be referred to staff for report on a future agenda, ordered received and filed, or referred to the proper department for administrative resolution. Staff requests that all persons wishing to address the Commission fill out a Speaker's Slip and give it to the Commission Secretary prior to speaking. The Commission requests that when you begin speaking you state your name and the name of the city where you reside. Individuals may address the Commission for up to three (3) minutes each, unless the Commission determines a different time limit.

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

9. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

A. Commissioner Comments.

B. Subcommittee Management.

SUBJECT: This time has been set aside for commissioners serving on standing subcommittees to report any scheduled absences or conflicts of interest that would prevent them from being present at an upcoming subcommittee meeting. If more than two subcommittee members cannot be present at a meeting, the Chair may reschedule the time or date of the meeting or change the composition of the subcommittee to ensure a quorum can be present.

10. CONSENT CALENDAR.

A. 637-641 N. LE PEER DRIVE.

SUBJECT: The Planning Commission directed staff to return with an amended resolution of approval to demolish two existing commercial buildings and construct a new three-story commercial building over three basement levels, located at 637-641 N. La Peer Drive, West Hollywood, California.

Recommendation: 1) Adopt Resolution No. PC 19-1332, conditionally approving an administrative permit, demolition permit, development permit, and two modification permits, for the properties located at 637-641 N. La Peer Drive, West Hollywood, California.

B. ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT

DIRECTOR REVIEW OF MIXED-USE PROJECTS LESS THAN 10,000 SQUARE-FEET, AND ALLOWING DEVIATION IN SETBACKS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

SUBJECT: The Planning Commission directed staff to return with two resolutions to: 1) allow director review of mixed use projects less than 10,000 square feet that do not utilize any density bonuses or incentives; and 2) allow a deviation from the setbacks when life safety access requirements would conflict with the City's adopted goals and policies, West Hollywood, California.

Recommendation: 1) Adopt Resolution No. PC 19-1334, recommending to the City Council, approval of amendments to Title 19, West Hollywood Zoning Ordinance, to allow Director review of mixed-use projects less than 10,000 square feet and removal of redundant language in the Development Review Authority Chart on review of residential condominiums, West Hollywood, California; and 2) Adopt Resolution No. PC 19-1336, recommending to the City Council, approval of amendments to Title 19, West Hollywood Zoning Ordinance, to allow a deviation in setbacks under certain circumstances, West Hollywood, California.

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS. None.

12. NEW BUSINESS.

A. METRO RAIL UPDATE.

SUBJECT: The Planning Commission will receive an update on the Northern Extension of the Metro Crenshaw/LAX Line.

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS. None.

14. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR.

15. ITEMS FROM STAFF

A. Planning Manager's Update.

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

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I declare under penalty of perjury that I am employed by the City of West Hollywood in the Office of the City Clerk and that I posted this agenda on:

Date: JULY 25 2019
Signature: Allyson P. Pineda

16. PUBLIC COMMENT

This time has been set aside for members of the public who were unable to address the Commission during the twenty minute public comment period provided in Agenda Item No. 6. The same rules set forth under Agenda Item No. 6 apply.

17. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

18. ADJOURNMENT. The Planning Commission will adjourn to a regularly scheduled meeting on **Thursday, August 15, 2019** beginning at 6:30 P.M. until completion at West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers, 625 N. San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood, California.

| UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE 2019 | | | | |
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| Date | Day | Time | Meeting Type | Location |
| August 15 | Thursday | 6:30 PM | Regular Meeting | Council Chambers |
| September 5 | Thursday | 6:30 PM | Regular Meeting | Council Chambers |
| September 19 | Thursday | 6:30 PM | Regular Meeting | Council Chambers |
| October 3 | Thursday | 6:30 PM | Regular Meeting | Council Chambers |

PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

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AGENDA POLICIES

The Planning Commission considers a range of requests for development permits, appeals, and planning policy matters, and conducts public hearings on many of its agenda items. Due to the number, complexity and public interest associated with many agenda items, meetings of the Planning Commission are generally lengthy. The Planning Commission makes every effort to proceed as expeditiously as possible; your patience and understanding is appreciated.

REQUEST TO SPEAK on an item must be submitted on a Speakers Request Form and submitted to the Planning Commission Secretary. All requests to address the Planning Commission on Public Hearings items must be submitted prior to the Planning Commission's consideration of the item.

CONSENT CALENDAR items will be acted upon by the Planning Commission at one time without discussion, unless a Planning Commissioner pulls a specific item for discussion.

PUBLIC HEARINGS PROCEDURES on each Public Hearing item include presentation of a staff report; Planning Commission questions of staff; a ten (10) minute presentation by the project applicant or applicant's representative or team, if any; Planning Commission questions of the applicant; three (3) minutes for each member of the public wishing to speak to the item; five (5) minutes for the project applicant to respond to the public or clarify issues raised by the public; Planning Commission deliberations and decisions. In order to facilitate a fair and proper hearing the Chair or Commission may lengthen or shorten the time allotted per speaker on a particular agenda item based on the number of persons in attendance wishing to speak or the complexity of the matter under consideration.

PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC should begin with the speaker stating his or her name and city of residence, followed by a statement regarding the item under consideration. Please speak to the Planning Commission as a whole.

PROFESSIONALS APPEARING BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION should clearly identify their status, such as "attorney", "paralegal", "architect", "designer", or "landscape architect". Instances of misrepresentation of professional status may be referred to the City Attorney for possible prosecution.

LETTERS OR WRITTEN MATERIALS regarding agenda items may be submitted to the City Planning Division staff prior to or at the Planning Commission meeting; written materials submitted at least eight (8) days in advance of the meeting will be included in the Planning Commission's meeting packet. Materials submitted after the deadline may be difficult for the Planning Commission to adequately review.

ASSIGNING OF TIME is not permitted.

ACTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION on most matters occurs with the affirmative votes of at least four (4) Planning Commissioners.

APPEAL PROCEDURES

Any final determination by the Planning Commission may be appealed, and such appeal must be filed within ten (10) calendar days after the Planning Commission action. This appeal shall be made in written form to the City Clerk's Office, accompanied by an appeal fee or required number of signatures.

The City Clerk, upon filing of said appeal, will set petition for a public hearing before the City of West Hollywood's City Council at the earliest date.

If you challenge any City of West Hollywood decision in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described on this agenda, or in a written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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