



**WEST HOLLYWOOD
PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA
Thursday, December 5, 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 Jennifer Alkire, AICP, Current and Historic Preservation Planning Manager at (323) 848-6487 or Bryan Eck, Acting Long Range Planning Manager at (323) 848-6858.

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. ROLL CALL

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

SUBJECT: The Planning Commission is requested to approve the Agenda.
RECOMMENDATION: 1) Approve the Agenda of Thursday, December 5, 2019.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

A. November 21, 2019

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

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City of West Hollywood)

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: November 27, 2019
Signature: Melissa Crowder

6. 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.

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

9. CONSENT CALENDAR.

A. 8900 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD:

SUBJECT: The Planning Commission will receive a six-month operational review of Rocco's Tavern.

Recommendation: 1) Receive and file.

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS.

A. 7965-7985 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD (FRENCH MARKET PROJECT):

SUBJECT: The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider a request to partially redevelop a commercial site with a three-story, multi-use commercial building with office, restaurant, retail, bar, and design showroom uses, for the properties located at 7965-7985 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, California.

Applicant: L&R Laurel Project (CA), LLC

Planner: Jennifer Alkire, AICP, Planning Manager CHPP

Recommendation: 1) Approve the application; 2) Adopt draft Resolution No. PC 19-1341 certifying the final environmental impact report and adopting a mitigation monitoring and reporting program, for the properties located at 7965-7985 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, California; and 3) Adopt draft Resolution No. PC 19-1342 approving a demolition permit, development permit, administrative permit, certificate of appropriateness, and a minor conditional use permit, for the properties located at 7965-7985 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, California.

11. NEW BUSINESS.

A. DISCUSSION OF PLANNING COMMISSION AND DESIGN REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020.

SUBJECT: The Planning Commission will consider approving the Planning Commission and Design Review Subcommittee Regular Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2020, cancelling meetings throughout the year that conflict with holidays and special events.

RECOMMENDATIONS: 1) Consider cancelling the Planning Commission meeting of Thursday, June 4, 2020; 2) Consider cancelling the Planning Commission meeting of Thursday, December 17, 2020; 3) Consider cancelling the Planning Commission meeting of Thursday, January 7, 2021; 4) Consider cancelling the Design Review Subcommittee meeting of Thursday, December 24, 2020; and 5) discuss other Planning Commission and Design Review Subcommittee meeting dates as necessary.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS. None.

13. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR.

14. ITEMS FROM STAFF

A. Planning Manager's Update.

15. 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.

16. 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.

17. **ADJOURNMENT.** Noting the cancellations of the regularly scheduled Planning Commission meetings of Thursday, December 19, 2019 and Thursday, January 2, 2020, the Planning Commission will adjourn to a regularly scheduled meeting on **Thursday, January 16, 2020** 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 2019/20 | | | | |
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| Date | Day | Time | Meeting Type | Location |
| December 19 | Thursday | 6:30 PM | Cancelled | Council Chambers |
| January 2, 2020 | Thursday | 6:30 PM | Cancelled | Council Chambers |
| January 16 | Thursday | 6:30 PM | Regular Meeting | Council Chambers |
| February 6 | 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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