CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

December 2, 1993

West Hollywood Park Auditorium 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard West Hollywood, CA 90069

CALL TO ORDER I.

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission was called to order by Commissioner Richmond at 7:05 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was Pledge of Allegiance: A.

led by Commissioner Richmond.

Roll Call: В.

> Behr, Crowe, Lambert, Litz, Commissioners Present:

Loveman, Richmond, Zaden

Anne Browning, Planning Manager; Staff Present:

Bill Meeker, Associate Planner; Tom Trevor, Recording Secretary.

Approval of Agenda: C.

Action: To pull the Consent Calendar and approve the

agenda as amended.

Second: Zaden Motion: Crowe

Motion carried. All Ayes Vote:

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ITEMS FROM CITIZENS - NONE II.

CONSENT CALENDAR III.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR TV.

- Approval of Minutes
 - 1. November 18, 1993

Pulled by Commissioner Behr. He wants the record to show that he withdrew his Second on the Action (PC 93-46, Chabad Russian Synagogue), "after the applicant indicated that he did not want to refine the project or address the Commission's concerns, and further requested an immediate decision."

On Items from Commissioners (VII.C), Commissioner wants the sentence to read, "Commissioner Behr mentioned that the wall next to Thrifty Oil by the Chabad project had graffiti on it."

On Items from Commissioners (VII.J), Commissioner Litz wants the sentence amended to read, "Commissioners Behr and Litz had a Special Events subcommittee meeting with Gay Forbes, Joan English, Curtis Brown, and Lloyd Long, and that staff will submit a report on writing within 30 days."

Action: To approve the minutes as amended.

Motion: Behr Second: Crowe

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

V. PRESENTATION

Thomas Crail, Executive Director, Chamber of Commerce, and Michael Yates, Parking Project Coordinator, made a presentation on the City-funded Parking Project. They gave an update on the current status of shared parking program being administered by the West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Conditional Use Permit 93-11 - Request to convert a former restaurant space to a billiard parlor/restaurant.

Applicant: Metropolitan Entertainment, Inc.

Owner: Mehdi and Rachel Lahijani

Location: 7901 Santa Monica Boulevard

(formerly Sizzler)

Recommended Action: Approve subject to the findings

and conditions in Resolution No.

PC 93-46.

Bill Meeker presented the staff report.

Commissioner Richmond opened the public hearing.

The following spoke for the project:

Joseph Bowman, Westlake Village, representing the applicant Clint Airey, Westlake Village, representing the applicant

The following commented on the project:

John Nieto, West Hollywood Bob Pierson, West Hollywood

Joseph Bowman rebutted public testimony.

Action: To close the public hearing.

Motion: Loveman Second: Crowe

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

Action: To approve staff's recommendation with these amendments: 1) Change condition 6.1 to permit the to open at 8:00 A.M. on Saturday and Sunday; 2) No one under 21 years of age will be admitted after 9:00 P.M. except in outdoor dining area when receiving food service: 3) Video games are prohibited; 4) Dance and/or live entertainment prohibited; and 5) The Planning Commission shall review the permit after one year of operation to determine the adequacy of parking for the use. Those people speaking at the December 2, 1993 public hearing shall be notified of the date of the review.

Motion: Zaden Second: Lambert

Vote: Ayes - Litz, Crowe, Loveman, Richmond, Lambert

Zaden

Noes - Behr

Motion carried.

VII. COMMISSION CONSIDERATION - NONE

VIII. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS - NONE

IX. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- A. Commissioner Behr suggested that on notices of public hearings, the request should be specific whether it is for full liquor and/or just beer and wine. He pointed the case of Buzz Coffee House public hearing notice as example
- B. Commissioner Litz noticed that the City Calendar on City Channel does not give information concerning the agenda of the Planning Commission meetings.

X. ITEMS FROM STAFF

- A. Anne Browning announced the following:
 - The study session on the Sunset Specific Plan with the Planning Commission is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, January 29, 1994;
 - 2. The 18-month deadline for the nightclubs to submit applications for Substitute Conditional Use Permits was December 2, 1993, and all nightclubs complied.
 - 3. John Jakupcak is working on the Commission's request for a tour of nightclubs and a possible mechanism for increasing security through some form of assessment to all nightclubs.
 - 4. The appeals on Raleigh (8580 Sunset Boulevard), Billboard Live (Gazzarri's, 9039 Sunset Boulevard), and Omega Entertainment (8760 Shoreham) will be on the City Council agenda for December 6, 1993.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Action: To adjourn to the next regular meeting of the Planning Commission to be held on Thursday, December 16, 1993, at 7:00 p.m. at the West Hollywood Park Auditorium, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood.

Motion: Cr

Crowe

Second: Loveman

Vote:

All Ayes

Motion carried.

ATTEST:

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT