CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

MAY 3, 1990

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

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission was called to order by Commissioner Siegel at 7:02 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was led

by Rachelle Sommers Smith.

B. Roll Call:

Commissioners Present: Guarriello, Litz, Richmond,

Siegel, Gene Smith, Steve Smith

Others Present: Mark Winogrond, Director; Anne

Browning, Planning Manager; John

Jakupcak, Associate Planner;

David Amorena, Planning

Technician: Moonyeen Gatanela,

Secretary

C. Approval of Agenda:

Action: To take up IV.B as the first item in the public hearing, continue IV.D to the meeting of May 17, 1990, and approve the agenda as amended.

Motion: Litz Second: Richmond

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

D. This agenda was posted at City Hall, Community
Development Department counter, West Hollywood Library on
San Vicente Boulevard and Plummer Park.

II. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS

A. Budd Kops, West Hollywood, spoke on development plans being submitted over the counter and suggested that staff make sure that parking is sufficient.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Minutes of March 15, 1990

Commissioner Litz requested that the action on V.A which is the public hearing on 1004-1012 N. Curson should consider provision of accessible handicap parking.

Action: To approve minutes of March 15, 1990 as amended.

Motion: Litz Second: Gene Smith

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Appeal of Minor Conditional Use Permit 89-07 - Request to change the conditioned hours of operation for selling beer and wine in a restaurant to be located at 8930 Sunset Boulevard.

Applicant: Fred Evans for Cafe L.A.

Location: 8818 Sunset Boulevard

Recommended Action: Approve Conditional Use Permit 90-06,

subject to the findings and

conditions of Draft Resolution 90-15.

John Jakupcak presented the staff report.

Commissioner Siegel opened the public hearing.

The following spoke for the project.

William Falks, representing Cafe L.A.

The following spoke against the project:

Lester Hirsch, West Hollywood Rochelle Sommers Smith, West Hollywood Ralph Feeley, West Hollywood Joe Kruse, West Hollywood Harriet Segal, West Hollywood Budd Kops, West Hollywood

Action: To close the public hearing.

Motion: Litz Second: Steve Smith

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

Action: Uphold proposal of the Director of Community Development and open the restaurant from 8:00 a.m. to

11:00 p.m.

Motion: Litz Second: Guarriello

Action: To amend the earlier motion; uphold proposal of the Director of Community Development and open the restaurant from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. with the conditions that the 44 parking spaces be made available while the restaurant is open; that the dumpster will not take a parking space; no pick up from the dumpster before 8:00 a.m.; that neither noise nor odor should permeate in residential areas; South window should not be open to residential area; employee parking should be at the lowest level; and pick up for valet parking should be at the second level.

Motion: Steve Smith Second: Gene Smith

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

B. Development Permit 89-23; Development Permit 89-46; Conditional Use Permit 89-25; Negative Declaration 90-02; Tentative Tract Map 49003 - Request to demolish two dwelling units and construct a 9-unit condominium at 914-916 N. Curson Avenue.

Applicant: Moshe Netach

Owner: Moshe Netach

Location: 914-916 North Curson Avenue

Recommended Action: Staff recommends that the Planning

Commission approve Development Permit

89-46; Demolition Permit 89-23, Conditional Use Permit 89-25, and Negative Declaration 90-02 subject to the findings and conditions of Draft Resolution 90-14 and Tentative Tract Map 49003 subject to the findings and conditions of Draft Resolution 90.16. Bill Meeker presented the staff report.

Commissioner Siegel opened the public hearing.

Ben Shulman, architect, spoke for the project

Roza Blady, West Hollywood, spoke against the project

David Behr commented on the project.

Ben Shulman rebutted public testimony.

Action: To close the public hearing.

Motion: Steve Smith Second: Gene Smith

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

Action: To deny without prejudice.

Motion: Steve Smith Second: Litz

Vote: Ayes - Guarriello, Siegel, Litz, Gene Smith,

Steve Smith

Noes - Richmond

Motion carried.

C. Conditional Use Permit 90-06 - Request to permit the continued operation of an existing newsstand.

Applicant:

Book Soup

Owner:

Book Soup

Location:

8818 Sunset Boulevard

Recommended Action: Approve Conditional Use Permit 90-06

subject to the findings and

conditions of Draft Resolution 90-15.

David Amorena presented the staff report.

Commissioner Siegel opened the public hearing.

The following spoke for the project.

Glen Goldman, applicant, West Hollywood Lawrence Garcia, building contractor, Culver City Jeanne Dobrin, West Hollywood Glen Goldman gave additional information.

Action: To close the public hearing.

Motion: Steve Smith Second: Gene Smith

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

Action: To approve Conditional Use Permit 90-06 subject to findings and conditions of Draft Resolution 90-15, and to include clearer signs for the handicapped ramp.

Motion: Steve Smith Second: Litz

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

The Commission additionally commented that the sidewalk should be kept clean.

D. Proposed Zoning Ordinance and Map

Applicant: City of West Hollywood

Location: Citywide

Recommended Action: Continue to the meeting of May 17,

1990.

V. COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

A. Validation of staff's interpretation of the definition of a "Health Club" as contained within Chapter 9700 of the West Hollywood Zoning Code.

Anne Browning gave the staff report.

The following spoke for the project:

Max Halfon, Woodland Hills
Martin Henry, West Hollywood
Michael Nicola, West Hollywood
Tom Bright, West Hollywood
Michael Maghe, Los Angeles
Bonnie Stone, Los Angeles
Jack Faeth, Los Angeles
Gretchen Aberg, Los Angeles
Mary Burke, West Hollywood
Gabriel Bustamante, West Hollywood
Mrs. Henry Martin, West Hollywood

The following spoke against the project:

Jeanne Dobrin, West Hollywood

Max Halfon rebutted public testimony.

Action: To affirm staff's interpretation and classifying the business as a health club.

Motion: Richmond Second: Guarriello

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

The Commission commented that the aerobics studio at 1106 La Cienega would be allowed under this interpretation but that other retail spaces would need to be left vacant until additional parking is found.

B. Appeal of staff's determination that a six-foot wall is required to be constructed along the entire length of the rear property line at 8704 Santa Monica Boulevard (Gina B) as a condition of the Certificate of Occupancy.

Anne Browning presented the staff report.

Jeanne Dobrin, West Hollywood, commented on the project

Action: To affirm staff's determination and require the wall to be constructed.

Motion: Richmond Second: Guarriello

Vote: Ayes - Guarriello, Litz, Richmond, Siegel,

Gene Smith

Noes - Steve Smith

Motion carried.

VI. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

A. Commissioner Gene Smith commented on the validity of La Cienega being a pedestrian street.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Action: To adjourn to the meeting of the Planning Commission on Thursday, May 17, 1990, 7:00 p.m., West Hollywood Park Auditorium.

Motion:

Richmond

Second: Litz

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.

ATTEST:

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT