

CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

AUGUST 16, 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 Gene Smith at 7:00 p.m.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Steve Smith.
- B. Roll Call:
- Commissioners Present: Behr, Guarriello, Litz, Gene Smith, Steve Smith
- Commissioners Absent: Richmond, Zaden
- Others Present: Anne Browning, Planning Manager; Christi Hogin, City Attorney's Office; Bob Harvey, Building and Safety Manager; David Amorena, Assistant Planner
- C. Approval of Agenda:
- Action: To pull out Items III.A.1, III.B.1, III.B.2 and III.B.3 and approve the agenda as amended.
- Motion: Steve Smith Second: Litz
- 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. Mike Radcliffe, West Hollywood, spoke on 1033 S. La Brea. He inquired why this project never came before the Planning Commission.
- B. Edward Riney, West Hollywood, represented the East End Community Alliance. He supported Mike Radcliffe and emphasized that an Environmental Impact Report is needed for 1033 S. La Brea.
- C. Roslyn Krause, West Hollywood, complained about the pool area, vagrants using the shower, and no lifeguard to complain to. She also mentioned that at one time there was no lifeguard at the pool for about 45 minutes.
- D. Barbara Parrish, West Hollywood, spoke on behalf of homeowners in Rugby Drive. She presented petitions from residents who were requesting downzoning of the area from R3 to R2.
- E. Stan Lothridge, West Hollywood, also spoke on Rugby Drive and supported the request of downzoning of the area.
- F. Jeanne Dobrin, West Hollywood, supported Mike Radcliffe and Edward Riney and their request for an EIR for the project at 1033 S. La Brea. She brought to the attention of the Planning Commission the flashing sign on La Cienega and Santa Monica.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Resolutions

- 1. Adoption of Resolution No. PC 90-17, "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of West Hollywood approving Demolition Permit 90-09 and a tandem parking request on an application of Helen Hobson McDowell to demolish a dwelling unit at 8920 Cynthia Street."

This item was pulled by Commissioner Gene Smith. He requested that the resolution mention that the design be consistent with the old Sherman District and the tandem parking is approved as incentive for maintaining the unit as a historic property.

Action: To approve and adopt Resolution PC 90-17 as amended.

Motion: Litz Second: Behr
Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

B. Approval of Minutes

1. May 3, 1990

Pulled by Commissioner Behr as he was absent during the meeting.

Commissioner Litz requested that the minutes reflect his disapproval of Book Soup sidewalk book sales.

The Commission agreed that the aerobics studio at 1106 La Cienega is interpreted as a health club and allowed under this interpretation but that other retail spaces would need to be left vacant until additional parking is found.

Action: To approve May 3, 1990 minutes as amended.

Motion: Litz Second: Steve Smith

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

Abstain - Behr

Motion carried.

2. June 7, 1990

Pulled by Commissioner Behr as he was absent during this meeting.

Commission Litz pointed out that Development Permit 90-05 show "request to demolish a duplex and construct a 4-unit condominium".

Action: To approve June 7, 1990 minutes as amended.

Motion: Litz Second: Guarriello

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

Abstain - Behr

Motion carried.

3. August 2, 1990

Pulled by Commissioner Gene Smith. He wants the "Action" on Development Permit 90-16, Demolition Permit 90-11, Negative Declaration 90-11 and Conditional Use Permit 90-10 to show detailed comments, "reduce size of lofts unless project qualifies under courtyard housing; more unified design; more compatibility with the great historical courtyard housing examples in West Hollywood; rooftop patios will be allowed as private open space for the project only if the building qualifies as a courtyard building; and lessen mix of styles under the courtyard housing ordinance.

Commissioner Litz wanted to correct the comments on Demolition Permit 90-09 (8920 Cynthia Street). It should read, "...Commissioner Litz asked if anyone wanted to reconsider the previous motion. Commissioner Gene Smith asked that the Commission reconsider."

Action: To approve August 2, 1990 minutes as amended.

Motion: Steve Smith Second: Litz

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

IV. DISCUSSION

- A. The Commissioners had an informal discussion with Christi Hogin of the City Attorney's Office.

(Anne, what were the issues discussed?)

V. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- A. Commissioner Litz requested a phone list containing the numbers of Planning Commissioners and staff.
- B. Bob Harvey, Building and Safety Manager, gave a report regarding vacant, abandoned, and dilapidated buildings and answered questions from the Commission.

VI. ITEMS FROM STAFF

- A. Report on status of all pending permit applications and appeals at 1106 La Cienega Boulevard.

David Amorena presented the memorandum. Commissioner Litz asked for additional information on previous approvals for the property.

B. Upcoming Appeals to City Council

1. 1106 La Cienega - Request for approval of tandem parking, scheduled for September 4, 1990. Staff report to be submitted by August 24th. Planning Commission input should be received by August 24th.

C. Discussion of new meeting format - (What was decided?)

VII. ADJOURNMENT

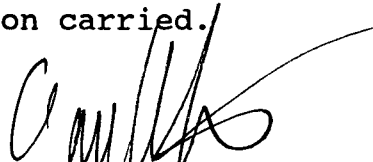
Action: To adjourn to the next meeting of the Planning Commission on Thursday, September 6, 1990, 7:00 p.m., West Hollywood Park Auditorium.

Motion:

Second:

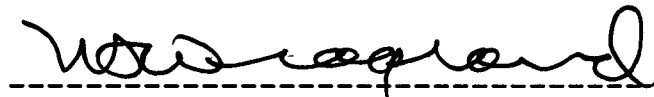
Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.



CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT