

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES Regular Meeting June 3, 2010

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

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair DeLuccio called the meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 6:36 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Alan Bernstein led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Altschul, Bernstein, Buckner, Guardarrama, Hamaker,

Vice-Chair Yeber, Chair DeLuccio.

Commissioners Absent: None.

Staff Present: Bianca Siegl, Associate Planner, Christopher Corrao,

Assistant Planner, John Keho, Planning Manager, Christi Hogan, Assistant City Attorney, and David

Gillig, Commission Secretary.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

ACTION: Approve the Planning Commission Agenda of Thursday, June 3, 2010 as presented. Moved by Commissioner Altschul, seconded by Commissioner Hamaker and unanimously carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

A. May 20, 2010

ACTION: Approve the Planning Commission Minutes of Thursday, May 20, 2010 as presented. **Moved by Commissioner Buckner, seconded by Commissioner Guardarrama and unanimously carried; notating the abstention of Commissioner Hamaker.**

- 6. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** None.
- 7. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS. None.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR.

A. Capital Improvements Plan 2010-2015:

Government Code Section §65401 requires that the City's Planning Commission examine the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) for consistency with the General Plan. The CIP is a list of the proposed public projects recommended for planning, initiation or construction during the next five fiscal years. A finding of consistency is required for the City Council to be able to adopt the CIP.

ACTION: 1) Adopt Resolution No. PC 10-929, finding pursuant to California Government Code Section §65401, that the City's Capital Improvements Plan for fiscal years 2010-2015 is consistent with the General Plan. **Moved by Commissioner Hamaker, seconded by Commissioner Buckner and unanimously carried**

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS. None.

10. NEW BUSINESS.

A. General Plan: Land Use Discussion.

Bianca Siegl, Associate Planner and Christopher Corrao, Assistant Planner, provided a visual presentation, background information, timelines and a preview regarding the proposed Draft General Plan, Land Use Element.

They provided details on:

- Past Development Trends, Santa Monica Boulevard;
- Development Trends, Residential;
- Proposed Land Use Map;
- Key Areas of Land Use Change;
- Land Use Chapter, Organization;
- Urban Form and Pattern;
- Transit Overlays;
- Urban Design;
- Public Spaces and Streetscape;
- Residential Neighborhoods;
- Signage; and
- Commercial subareas:
 - 1) Melrose/Beverly District;
 - 2) Santa Monica Boulevard West:
 - 3) Santa Monica/Fairfax Transit District;
 - 4) Santa Monica/La Brea Transit District; and
 - 5) Sunset Boulevard.

Upcoming General Plan meetings will take place on the following:

- General Plan Advisory Committee Meeting (GPAC)
 Tuesday, June 29, 2010, regarding urban design issues.
- Community Meeting Saturday, July 10, 2010, public workshop.

General Plan Advisory Committee Meeting (GPAC)
 Wednesday, July 14, 2010, Environmental Impact Report.

Commissioner Altschul questioned if there are any uses under the new General Plan that are recommended for amortization.

John Keho, Planning Manager, stated nothing has been identified regarding amortizations; however it can be brought forward for discussion.

Chair DeLuccio opened public comment for Item 10.A.:

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented on transit funding, transit development, signage, residential green space and solar energy guidelines.

ACTION: Close public comment for Item 10.A: **Motion carried by consensus of the Commission.**

Commissioner Guardarrama requested clarification regarding "Park Once" Districts.

Commissioner Hamaker requested clarification regarding transit stops and transit development.

Vice-Chair Yeber commented on transit overlays and requested clarification regarding CN1 zoning.

B. Meeting Amendments for September.

ACTION: Cancel the Planning Commission meeting of Thursday, September 2, 2010. **Motion carried by consensus of the Commission.**

ACTION: Schedule a special meeting of the Planning Commission on Thursday, September 23, 2010. **Motion carried by consensus of the Commission.**

ACTION: Schedule a special meeting of the Planning Commission on Thursday, September 30, 2010. **Motion carried by consensus of the Commission.**

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS. None.

12. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR. None.

13. ITEMS FROM STAFF.

A. Planning Manager's Update.

John Keho, Planning Manager, provided an update of upcoming projects tentatively scheduled for Planning Commission.

14. PUBLIC COMMENT.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented on sewer assessment charges and current transit development.

- 15. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS. None.
- 16. ADJOURNMENT: The Planning Commission adjourned at 7:30 P.M. to a regularly scheduled meeting of the Planning Commission, which will be on Thursday, June 17, 2010 at 6:30 P.M. at West Hollywood Park Auditorium, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood, California. Motion carried by consensus of the Commission.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON THIS 17TH DAY OF JUNE, 2010.

CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

COMMISSION SECRETARY