

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

Room 280A 455 North Rexford Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90210

PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

May 11, 2017 1:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time:

May 11, 2017 / 1:32 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present:

Commissioners Corman, Licht, Vice Chair Gordon, Chair

Shooshani

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Block

Staff Present:

Ryan Gohlich, Masa Alkire, Cindy Gordon, Cynthia de la Torre,

Karen Myron, David Snow

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Members of the public may address the Commission regarding any items not on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. By State law, the Commission may not discuss or vote on items not on the Agenda.

Speakers:

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By Order of the Chair, the agenda was approved as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Consideration of Minutes of the Planning Commission special meeting of April 19, 2017.

2. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Consideration of Minutes of the Planning Commission regular meeting of April 27, 2017.

Motion:

MOVED by Vice Chair Gordon, SECONDED by Commissioner

Licht to adopt both sets of minutes as presented (4-0-1).

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AYES:

Commissioners Corman, Licht, Vice Chair Gordon, Chair

Shooshani

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Commissioner Block

<u>CARRIED</u>

Item #3, 1260 Lago Vista Drive, was pulled from the Consent Calendar and discussed separately, after item #4.

3. 1260 LAGO VISTA DRIVE

Hillside R-1 Permit

Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of Beverly Hills denying a Hillside R-1 Permit to allow export of earth material in excess of 1,500 cubic yards within a five-year period in association with the construction of a new two-story single family residence that is immediately adjacent to a street that is less than twenty-four feet (24') wide on the property located at 1260 Lago Vista Drive and finding the project statutorily exempt from further review under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Commissioner Corman explained his reasoning for pulling the item from the Consent Calendar, and provided proposed amendments to the denial resolution. Commissioner Corman also disclosed a conversation he had just had with Peter Ostroff regarding figures that had been presented at the previous Planning Commission meeting (April 19, 2017) at which the item had been discussed.

Project Planner:

Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner

Project Applicant:

Maggie Cookman, Crest Real Estate, on behalf of Sagebrook

Investments, LLC

Public Input:

Debbie Weiss, Peter Ostroff, Ron Richards

Motion:

MOVED by Commissioner Corman, SECONDED by Vice Chair

Gordon to adopt the resolution as amended (4-0-1).

AYES:

Commissioners Corman, Licht, Vice Chair Gordon, Chair

Shooshani

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Commissioner Block

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None

CONTINUED BUSINESS

None

PLANNING COMMISSION / BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS / PLANNING AGENCY PUBLIC HEARINGS - NEW BUSINESS

4. 8601 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD (BLU APARTMENTS)

Amendment of a Planned Development

Request to amend an existing Planned Development to allow modifications to the rooftop of the existing mixed-use building located at 8601 Wilshire Boulevard. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Planning Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption for this project.

Ex Parte Communications: All Commissioners disclosed separately visiting the project site with staff, at which time they did not have contact with any members of the applicant team.

Project Planner:

Cynthia de la Torre, Assistant Planner

Project Applicant:

JH Properties

Representatives:

Murray Fischer, Bela Pataky - Pacific Reach Properties

Public Input:

Malcolm Orland, Lisa Wolfe

Motion:

MOVED by Vice Chair Gordon, SECONDED by Commissioner

Corman to adopt the resolution as amended (4-0-1).

AYES:

Commissioners Corman, Licht, Vice Chair Gordon, Chair

Shooshani

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Commissioner Block

CARRIED

The Commission took a recess at 2:47 PM.

The Commission reconvened at 2:56 PM.

STUDY SESSION

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

5. Upcoming Projects List

Received and filed

6. 2017 Meeting Schedule

o Received and filed

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City Planner Updates

o City Planner Ryan Gohlich provided information on the following:

- The final draft of the temporary signage regulations for the Metro Project, which had been reviewed by the Planning Commission, will be presented to the City Council at its May 16, 2017 meeting.
- Staff will also present the quarterly regional projects report to the City Council at its May 16, 2017 meeting.
- A public scoping meeting regarding preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for a commercial building addition project proposed at 100 North Crescent Drive will take place on Monday, May 15, 2017 at 6:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time:

May 11, 2017 / 3:25 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 25TH DAY of MAY, 2017

Farshid Joe Shooshani, Chair