

**WEST LOS ANGELES AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 2008, 4:30 P.M.
HENRY MEDINA WEST L.A. PARKING ENFORCEMENT FACILITY
11214 W. EXPOSITION BOULEVARD, SECOND FLOOR, ROLL CALL ROOM
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, 90064**

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POLICY FOR DESIGNATED PUBLIC HEARING ITEM No(s). 5 and 6.

Pursuant to the Commission's general operating procedures, the Commission at times must necessarily limit the speaking times of those presenting testimony on either side of an issue that is designated as a public hearing item. In all instances, however, equal time is allowed for presentation of pros and cons of matters to be acted upon. All requests to address the Commission on public hearing items must be submitted prior to the Commission's consideration of the item. **EVERY PERSON WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION MUST COMPLETE A SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM AND SUBMIT IT TO THE COMMISSION EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT STAFF.**

To ensure that the Commission has ample opportunity to review written materials, all concerned parties who wish to submit written materials on agenda items should submit them to the Commission Office, 200 North Spring Street, Room 272, Los Angeles, 90012, **10 days** prior to the meeting at which the item is to be heard, in order to meet the mailing deadline. Note: Materials received after the mailing deadline will be placed in the official case file.

TIME SEGMENTS noted * herein are approximate. Some items may be delayed due to length of discussion of previous items.

The Commission may RECONSIDER and alter its action taken on items listed herein at any time during this meeting or during the next regular meeting, in accordance with the Commission Policies and Procedures and provided that the Commission retains jurisdiction over the case.

AGENDAS are posted for public review in the Main Street lobby of City Hall East, 200 No. Main Street, Los Angeles, California, and are accessible through the Internet World Wide Web at <http://www.lacity.org/pln/index.htm>. Click the "Meetings and Hearings" quick link. APC agenda are available under any of the seven service areas.

If you challenge these agenda items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing agenda item here, or in written correspondence on these matters delivered to this agency at or prior to the public hearing.

If you seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section must be filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which the City's decision became final pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. There may be other time limits which also affect your ability to seek judicial review.

GLOSSARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL TERMS:

CEQA - Calif. Environmental Quality Act
EIR - Environmental Impact Report

ND - Negative Declaration
MND - Mitigated Negative Declaration
CE - Categorical Exemption

1. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- A. Council actions and schedule
- B. Other items of interest

2. **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

- A. Election of Officers
- B. Advance Calendar
- C. Commission Request
- D. Minutes of Meeting – June 4, 2008

3. **APCW 2007-2429-SPE-SPP-CDP-MEL**

CEQA: ENV 2007-2430-MND
Plan: Venice

Council District: 11

Expiration Date: 7-19-08

Appeal Status: Appealable to City Council if
disapproved in whole or part.

Public Hearing - Completed on June 2, 2008

Project Location: 10 E. 19th Avenue

Requested Actions:

- 1. Pursuant to Section 11.5.7 F of the Municipal Code, an **Exception** from the following Sections of the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan (Ordinance Nos. 175,693) as follows:
 - A. Section 10.F.2 to permit density to be calculated by permitting one unit for each 479 square feet of lot area in lieu of the required 1,500 square feet per unit as specified by the Specific Plan.
 - B. Section 13.D to permit the requested 11th unit to provide only one parking space in lieu of two (2) parking spaces per dwelling unit and one guest parking space as is otherwise required..
- 2. Pursuant to Section 11.5.7 of the Municipal Code, a **Project Permit Compliance** determination with the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan.

Proposed Project:

Continued use and maintenance of eleven dwelling units (an existing ten unit apartment building providing 16 parking spaces and an eleventh unit converted from storage space) and the addition of one uncovered parking space for a total of 17 parking spaces on a 5,280 square foot site classified in the R3-1-O Zone and also located within the North Venice Subarea of the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan.

Recommended Actions:

- 1. **Disapprove** the requested **Specific Plan Exception** to permit density to be calculated by permitting one unit for each 479 square feet of lot area in lieu of the required 1,500 square feet per unit as specified by the Specific Plan.
- 2. **Disapprove** the requested **Specific Plan Exception** to permit the requested 11th unit to provide only one parking space in lieu of two (2) parking spaces per dwelling unit and one guest parking space as is otherwise required..
- 3. **Disapprove** the requested **Project Permit Compliance** determination with the Venice Coastal Zone specific Plan.
- 4. **Disapprove** a Mello Act Compliance Review for projects in the Coastal Zone.

5. **Adopt** the attached Findings.

Applicant: Glen and Jane Hickerson; Representative: Steve Kaali

Kevin Jones (213)-978-1172

4. **AA 2006-8619-PMLA-1A**
CEQA: ENV 2006-8620-MND
Plan: Venice

Council District: 11
Location: 303 E. Venice Way
Expiration Date: 7-16-08
Appeal Status: Not further appealable

Public Hearing – Completed on January 23, 2008

An Appeal, of the Advisory Agency approval of a two-parcel Small Lot Subdivision in lieu of three parcels originally requested.

Applicant: Maury Ruano

Appellant: Same

STAFF RECOMMENDS DENIAL OF THE APPEAL.
Marc Woerschling, (213)-978-1396

5. **DIR 2008-0908-DRB-SPP-1A**
CEQA: ENV 2008-910-CE
Plan: Westwood

Council District: 5
Location: 940 Westwood Boulevard
Expiration Date: 8/04/08
Appeal Status: Not further appealable

Public Hearing

An Appeal, pursuant to Section 11.5.7 and 16.50 of the Municipal Code, of an **approval** of a **Design Review and Project Permit Compliance determination** with the Westwood Village Specific Plan for the construction of new tenant signage and related interior improvements for an existing fast food restaurant establishment.

Applicant: Smoothie King; Representative: Dennis Barnett

Appellant: Westwood Village Business Association

STAFF RECOMMENDS DENIAL OF THE APPEAL.
Jim Tokunaga, (213)-978-1171

6. **APCW 2007-4515-SPE-SPP**
CEQA: ENV 2007-5467-MND
Plan: Venice

Council District: 11
Expiration Date: 8-26-08
Appeal Status: Appealable to City Council

Public Hearing

Project Location: 1009 S. Abbot Kinney Boulevard

Requested Actions:

1. Pursuant to Section 11.5.7 F of the Municipal Code an **Exception** to Section 13.D of the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan (Ordinance No. 175,693) to permit zero on-site parking spaces in lieu of the 12 parking spaces that would otherwise be required for the new patio service area. Parking will instead be provided by lease agreement as follows: five off-site parking spaces Sunday through Thursday at 920 Abbot Kinney Boulevard and 15 off-site parking spaces Friday through Saturday at 1010 Abbot Kinney Boulevard (Westminster Elementary School).
2. Pursuant to Section 11.5.7 C of the Municipal Code, **Project Permit Compliance** with the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan.

Recommended Actions:

1. **Approve** the requested **Specific Plan Exception** to permit zero on-site parking spaces in lieu of the 12 parking spaces that would otherwise be required for the new patio service area, subject to Conditions of Approval.
2. **Approve Parking Permit Compliance** with the Venice Specific Plan.
3. **Adopt** Mitigated Negative Declaration: **ENV 2007-5467-MND**.
4. **Adopt** the attached Findings.
5. **Advise** the applicant that, pursuant to California State Public Resources Code Section 21081.6, the City shall monitor or require evidence that mitigation conditions are implemented and maintained throughout the life of the project and the City may require necessary fees to cover the cost of such monitoring.

Applicant: Axe' Restaurant; Representative: Stephen Jamieson

Jim Tokunaga, (213)-978-1171

7. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Commission shall provide an opportunity in open meetings for the public to address it, for a cumulative total of up to thirty (30) minutes, on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. (This requirement is in addition to any other hearing required or imposed by law.)

PERSONS WISHING TO SPEAK MUST SUBMIT A SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM. ALL REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION ON NON-PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC THAT ARE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMMISSION MUST BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

Individual testimony within the public comment period shall be limited as follows:

- (a) For non-agendized matters, up to three (3) minutes per person and up to ten (10) minutes per subject.
- (b) For agendized matters, up to two (2) minutes per person and up to ten (10) minutes per subject. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THESE ITEMS WILL BE DEFERRED UNTIL SUCH TIME AS EACH ITEM IS CALLED FOR CONSIDERATION. The Chair of the Commission may allocate the number of speakers per subject, the time allotted each subject, and the time allotted each speaker.

The next regular meeting of the West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission
will be held at **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 6, 2008** at:

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