

**WEST LOS ANGELES AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2010, 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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EVERY PERSON WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION MUST COMPLETE A SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM AND SUBMIT IT TO THE COMMISSION EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT STAFF.

POLICY FOR DESIGNATED PUBLIC HEARING ITEM No(s) 3 and 4.

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.

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

To ensure that the Commission has ample opportunity to review written materials, all concerned parties who wish to submit written materials on agendized items should submit them to the Commission Office, 200 North Spring Street, Room 272, Los Angeles, 90012, at least 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.*

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>.

In the case of a Commission meeting cancellation, all items shall be continued to the next regular meeting date or beyond, as long as the continuance is within the legal time limits of the case or cases.

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 agendized 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. **DEPARTMENTAL REPORT**

A. Items of interest

2. **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

A. Advance Calendar

B. Commission Request

C. Approval of the minutes: March 3, 2010

3. **ZA-2009-0941-F-1A**

CEQA: ENV-2009-0942-CE

Plan: Brentwood

Council District No.: 11

Expiration Date: 4/30/10 extended

Appeal Status: Not further appealable

PUBLIC HEARING

Location: 1001 North Fiske Street

Requested Actions:

An appeal of the Zoning Administrator's decision pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.24-X,7, for the denial of a Zoning Administrator's Determination to permit the continued use and maintenance of an existing 3-foot 6-inch high masonry wall and 4-foot 6-inch high hedge with a cumulative height of 8 feet within the front yard setback area of an existing single-family dwelling in lieu of the maximum 3 feet 6 inches otherwise allowed in the front yard pursuant to Section 12.21-C,1(g) of the Municipal Code in the R1 Zone, and finding the environmental clearance Categorical Exemption ENV-2009-0942-CE. [SC]

APPLICANT: Kathleen and Anthony Blue

APPELLANT: Benjamin and Elizabeth Widhelm (new owner)

Recommended Actions:

Deny the appeal.

Sustain the Zoning Administrator's decision for the denial of a Zoning Administrator's Determination to permit the continued use and maintenance of an existing 3-foot 6-inch high masonry wall and 4-foot 6-inch high hedge with a cumulative height of 8 feet within the front yard setback area of an existing single-family dwelling in lieu of the maximum 3 feet 6 inches otherwise allowed in the front yard in the R1 Zone.

Find the environmental clearance Categorical Exemption ENV-2009-0942-CE.

Staff: Sue Chang (213) 978-3304

4. **DIR-2009-1968-DRB-SPP-1A**

CEQA: ENV-2009-1967-CE

Plan: Westwood

Council District No.: 5

Expiration Date: 4/19/10

Appeal Status: Not further appealable

PUBLIC HEARING

Location: 632 Landfair Avenue

Proposed Project: Construction of a new 16 unit, 5-story, maximum 45 feet in height apartment with 67 subterranean parking spaces in the North Westwood Village Specific Plan area.

Requested Actions:

An appeal, pursuant to Section 11.5.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, of the Director of Planning's approval of a Project Permit Compliance and Design Review Board Determination with the North Westwood Village Specific Plan.

APPLICANT: David and Sunny Akhavi
Representative: Majid Nael

APPELLANT: Wolfgang Veith

Recommended Actions:

1. **Deny** the appeal in part.
2. **Sustain** the Director's Determination (Exhibit B) and add the additional Condition as indicated in the Recommendation Report.
3. **Adopt** the attached Findings.
4. **Find** the environmental clearance Categorical Exemption ENV-2009-1967-CE.

Staff: David Olivo (213) 978-1197

5. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Area Planning Commission shall provide an opportunity in open meetings for the public to address it, on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Area Planning Commission. (This requirement is in addition to any other hearing required or imposed by law.) Persons making requests are encouraged to do so in writing and should submit 10 copies to the area planning commission for its consideration.

Persons wishing to speak must submit a speaker's request form prior to the commencement of the public comment period. Individual testimony within the public comment period shall be limited to two (2) minutes per person and up to ten (10) minutes per subject.

The next regular meeting of the West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission
will be held at **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21, 2010** at:

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