

OFFICIAL
CITY OF LOS ANGELES
East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission Minutes
Wednesday, March 14, 2018
Ramona Hall Community Center
4580 North Figueroa Street
Los Angeles, California 90065

MINUTES OF THE EAST LOS ANGELES AREA PLANNING COMMISSION HEREIN ARE REPORTED IN ACTION FORMAT. COMPLETE DETAILS, INCLUDING THE DISCUSSION, RELATING TO EACH ITEM ARE CONTAINED IN THE AUDIO RECORDING FOR THIS MEETING. AUDIO RECORDINGS ARE AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING CENTRAL PUBLICATIONS, AT (213) 978-1255 AND ARE ALSO ACCESSIBLE ONLINE AT planning.lacity.org.

The meeting was called to order by Commission President, Christopher Arellano at 4:44 p.m. with Commissioners Choi and Stein present. Commissioners Alarcon and Leung did not attend the meeting.

Also in attendance were Haydee Urita-Lopez, Senior City Planner on behalf of the Director of Planning; Oscar Medellin, Deputy City Attorney; Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant, Rafael Vega, Senior Administrative Assistant, and Rocky Wiles, Commission Office Manager.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

Jane Choi, Senior City Planner and Haydee Urita-Lopez, Senior City Planner made the following announcements:

- The department of City Planning recently had promotions and a shift of responsibilities. Jane Choi, Senior City Planner, will cover Project Planning in the East Los Angeles Area and Haydee Urita-Lopez, Senior City Planner, oversees Long Range Planning. Both will alternate staffing the East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission meetings.
- Haydee Urita Lopez, Senior City Planner, brings six years of Project Planning experience along with six years of recent Policy Planning experience.
- The Los Angeles Times released an article on the Mayor's hiring of Christopher Hawthorne. He was appointed to be the new Chief Design Officer for the City.
- The Department's External Affairs Unit completed a series of Planning 101 Trainings and are currently working on Phase II for the month of April. Phase II of the Planning 101 Trainings will begin on April 25, 2018 and will focus on Project Planning.
- Advance Calendar:
There were no requests from the Commission.
- Commission Requests:
There were no requests from the Commission.
- Approval of the Minutes:
Commissioner Choi moved to approve the minutes of December 13, 2017. The motion

was seconded by Commissioner Arellano and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Choi
Second: Arellano
Ayes: Stein
Absent: Alarcon, Stein

Vote: 3 - 0

MOTION PASSED

- Revision to the Submittal Guidelines adopted in the East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission Rules and Operating Procedures.

Commissioner Choi moved to approve the proposed revisions to the East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission Rules and Operating Procedures. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stein and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Choi
Second: Stein
Ayes: Arellano
Absent: Alarcon, Leung

Vote: 3 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

There were no presentations by Neighborhood Council representatives.

ITEM NO. 3

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were three speakers who addressed the Commission during public comment.

ITEM NO. 4

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsiderations.

ITEM NO. 5

DIR-2016-4386-SPP-1A

CEQA: ENV-2016-4387-CE

Plan Area: Northeast Los Angeles

Council District: 1 - Cedillo

Last Day to Act: 03-24-18

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

SITE AREA: 1839 North Burnell Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE:

Greg Shoop, City Planner, and Jane Choi, Senior City Planner representing the Planning Department; Michelle Wong and Dale Sheehan, applicants; James Fletcher, appellant.

MOTION:

Commissioner Arellano put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the following project:

Construction of a three-story 44 foot, 11 inches high, 3,086 square-foot single family dwelling over a basement, with an attached garage on a 9,411 square-foot lot within the Mount Washington-Glassell Park Specific Plan.

1. Determine based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to, Section 15300, Article III, Section 1, Category 32 (Infill Development) of the CEQA Guidelines, and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Deny the appeal and sustain the Planning Director's determination to approve, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code section 11.5.7 C., a Project Permit Compliance Review for the project within the Mount Washington- Glassell Park Specific Plan;
3. Adopt the amended Conditions of Approval; and
4. Adopted the Findings, including Staff's Technical Modification dated March 14, 2018.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Choi and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Arellano
Second: Choi
Ayes: Stein
Absent: Alarcon, Leung

Vote: 3 - 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business to come before the East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission the meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.



Christopher Arellano, President
East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission



Cecilia Lamas
Commission Executive Assistant

ADOPTED

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