

LOS ANGELES CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2020
(VIA TELECONFERENCE)

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In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID19, the City Planning Commission meeting was conducted via Zoom Video Webinar, telephonically and Live Stream on YouTube.

Commission President Samantha Millman called the regular meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Commission Vice President Vahid Khorsand and Commissioners, David H. Ambroz, Helen Leung, Marc Mitchell and Dana Perlman in attendance.

Also in attendance were Vince P. Bertoni, Director of Planning, Kevin Keller, Executive Officer, Lisa M. Webber, Deputy Director, Shana M. M. Bonstin, Deputy Director and Amy Brothers, Deputy City Attorney. Commission Office staff participation included, Raoul Mendoza, Commission Office Manager, Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant, Marcos G. Godoy and Denise Otero, Administrative Clerks.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- Vince P. Bertoni, Director of Planning, had no report.
- Amy Brothers, had an update regarding the 6400 Sunset/Amoeba Project.
- There were no Commission requests.

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION

There were no Neighborhood Council presentations.

ITEM NO. 3

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Several speakers addressed the Commission during general public comment.

ITEM NO. 4

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsiderations.

ITEM NO. 5a
(Consent Calendar)

CPC-2019-4983-GPA-VZC

CEQA: ENV-2019-4984-ND

Plan Area: Northeast Los Angeles

Council District: 1 – Cedillo

Last Day to Act: 12-14-20

PUBLIC HEARING – Completed September 24, 2020

PROJECT SITE: 2417 – 2455 North Thomas Street; 2428 – 2436 North Gates Street

IN ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM WEBINAR/TELECONFERENCE:

Nicole Sanchez, City Planner, Debbie Lawrence, Senior City Planner and Jane Choi, Principal City Planner representing the Department.

MOTION:

Commissioner Khorsand moved to continue the item to a date uncertain. Commissioner Perlman seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Khorsand
Second: Perlman
Ayes: Ambroz, Leung, Millman, Mitchell
Absent: Choe, Mack

Vote: 6 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 6

CPC-2019-4791-GPA-ZC

CEQA: ENV-2019-4792-ND

Plan Area: Encino – Tarzana

Related Case: VTT-82210-SL

Council District: 3 – Blumenfield

Last Day to Act: 11-03-20

PUBLIC HEARING – Completed August 5, 2020

PROJECT SITE: 5808 North Etiwanda Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM WEBINAR/TELECONFERENCE:

Alex Truong, City Planning Associate, Oliver Netburn, City Planner and Heather Bleemers, Senior City Planner representing the Department; Jerome Buckmelter, representing the Applicant; and Zhila Ross representing the office of Councilmen Bob Blumenfield.

MOTION:

Commissioner Ambroz put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the following Project with modifications, if any, stated on the record:

Subdivision of nine small lots and associated nine single-family dwellings. Each unit will be three stories in height at 35 feet, with a two-car garage, totaling approximately 2,600 square feet. Two guest parking spaces will be provided at grade. The Project includes minimal grading and excavation necessary for the foundation of each dwelling.

1. Find, based on the independent judgment of the decision-maker, after consideration of the whole of the administrative record, the project was assessed in Negative Declaration, No. ENV-2019-4792-ND, adopted on September 24, 2020; and pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15162 and 15164, no subsequent EIR, negative declaration, or addendum is required for approval of the Project;
2. Approved and recommend, that the Mayor and City Council adopt, pursuant to Sections 555, 556 and 558 of the City Charter and Section 11.5.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), a General Plan Amendment to amend the Encino-Tarzana Community Plan to re-designate the subject parcel from Low Medium I Residential and Open Space to Low Medium II Residential land use;
3. Approve, pursuant to LAMC Section 12.32 F, a Zone Change from RA-1 and OS-1XL to (T)(Q)RD1.5-1;
4. Adopt the Conditions of Approval; and
5. Adopt the Findings.

Commissioner Khorsand seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Ambroz
Second: Khorsand
Ayes: Leung, Millman, Mitchell, Perlman
Absent: Choe, Mack

Vote: 6 – 0

MOTION PASSED

President Millman recessed the meeting at approximately 9:04 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Ambroz, Khorsand, Leung, Mitchell and Perlman in attendance.

President Millman recessed the meeting at approximately 10:15 a.m. for the 2020 Great California ShakeOut earthquake drill.

ITEM NO. 7

VTT-82152-1A

CEQA: ENV-2018-2116-EIR; SCH No. 2018051002
Plan Area: Hollywood
Related Cases: CPC-2018-2114-DB-CU-MCUP-SPR;
CPC-2018-2115-DA

Council District: 13 – O' Farrell
Last Day to Act: 10-23-20

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: 1720 – 1770 North Vine Street; 1746 – 1764 North Ivar Avenue;
1733 – 1741 North Argyle Avenue; 6236, 6270, and 6334 West Yucca Street

IN ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM WEBINAR/TELECONFERENCE:

Mindy Nguyen, City Planner, Milena Zasadzien, Senior City Planner and Luci Ibarra, Principal City Planner representing the Department; and Noah Adler, Dan Wright and Anthony Kornarens representing the Appellants.

MOTION:

Commissioner Millman moved to continue the item to a date uncertain. Commissioner Khorsand seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Millman
Second: Khorsand
Ayes: Ambroz, Leung, Mitchell, Perlman
Absent: Choe, Mack

Vote: 6 – 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business before the Commission, President Millman adjourned the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

Samantha Millman

Samantha Millman, President
Los Angeles City Planning Commission

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