

EAST LOS ANGELES AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2021
(VIA TELECONFERENCE)

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In accordance with Government Code Section 54953, subsections (e)(1) and (e)(3), and in light of the State of Emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020 relating to COVID-19 and ongoing concerns that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees and/or that the State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person, the East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission's December 8, 2021 meeting was conducted via telephone and/or videoconferencing.

Commission President Jacob Stevens called the regular meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with Commission Vice President Sarah Rascon, and Commissioners Christopher Arellano, Denise Campos, and Rudy Espinoza in attendance.

Also in attendance were Debbie Lawrence, Senior City Planner and Oscar Medellin, Deputy City Attorney. Commission Office staff participation included, James Williams, Commission Executive Assistant II and Denise Otero, Administrative Clerk.

ITEM NO. 1

DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE HOLDING MEETINGS VIA TELECONFERENCE

Commissioner Rascon moved to adopt the resolution under which the Commission finds that holding meetings in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Moved: Rascon
Second: Campos
Ayes: Arellano, Espinoza, Stevens

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- Debbie Lawrence, Senior City Planner, on behalf of the Director of Planning, reported on two items of interest.
 - On November 24, 2021, the City Council voted to adopt the 2021-2029 Housing Element (The Plan to House L.A.) along with amendments to the City's Safety Element, and Health and

Wellness Element (Plan for a Healthy L.A.). Developed by the City Planning Department along with the Los Angeles Housing Department, the 2021-2029 Housing Element will expand alternative models for housing ownership through future programs in addition to providing the foundation for the City's rezoning program and efforts to increase housing capacity; and

- On November 15, 2021, the City Planning Department modified its mailing procedures so that applicants no longer have to update their mailing labels twice. The Department will continue to require that the applicants provide a Penalty/Perjury Statement at the time of filing to certify the accuracy of the notification map.
- Oscar Medellin, Deputy City Attorney, had no report.
- There were no Commission requests.
- The Minutes of September 22, 2021 were continued to the next meeting.

ITEM NO. 3

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION

There were no Neighborhood Council presentations.

ITEM NO. 4

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Several speakers addressed the Commission during general public comment.

ITEM NO. 5

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsiderations.

ITEM NO. 6

DIR-2020-427-SPP-1A
CEQA: ENV-2020-428-CE
Plan Area: Northeast

Council District: 1 – Cedillo
**Last Day to Act: 12-08-21
Continued from 7-14-21

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

PROJECT SITE: 464 North Crane Boulevard

IN ATTENDANCE VIA TELECONFERENCE:

Nashya Sadono-Jensen, Planning Assistant and Nicole Sanchez, City Planner representing the City Planning Department; Patrick Fromm, Anonymous Architects representing Rachel Foulton and Ian Cooper, Applicant; Jamie T. Hall, Channel Law Group representing Christopher Howard, Crane Boulevard Safety Coalition, Appellant

MOTION:

Commissioner Campos put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the following Project:

Construction, use, and maintenance of a new, three-story, 45 feet in height, 3,633 square foot single-family dwelling with a 533-square foot attached garage, on a 8,914.1 square foot vacant lot.

1. Determine, that based on the whole of the administrative record as supported by the justification prepared and found in the administrative case file, the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15303, Class 3, and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that any exceptions contained in Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines regarding location, cumulative impacts, significant effects or unusual circumstances, scenic highways, or hazardous waste sites, or historical resources applies;
2. Deny the appeal and sustain the Planning Director's Determination dated April 19, 2021;
3. Approved, pursuant to Section 11.5.7 C of the Los Angeles Municipal Code and the Mount Washington-Glassell Park Specific Plan Ordinance No. 168,707, a Project Permit Compliance Review for the construction of a new, three-story, 3,633 square foot single-family dwelling, with a 533 square foot attached garage, on an 8,914.1 square foot vacant lot;
4. Adopt the Conditions of Approval; and
5. Adopt the Findings.

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

Moved: Campos
Second: Arellano
Ayes: Espinoza, Stevens
Abstain: Rascon

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business before the Commission, President Stevens adjourned the meeting at 5:44 p.m.

Jacob Stevens

Jacob Stevens, President
East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission

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Irene Gonzalez, Commission Office Manager, for

James K. Williams, Commission Executive Assistant II
East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission

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