

**WEST LOS ANGELES AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 2022 AFTER 4:30 P.M.
(via TELECONFERENCE)**

**Meeting presentations will be available here <https://tinyurl.com/WestAPC7-06-22> by July 1, 2022.
Compliant Day of Meeting Submissions will be added to this drive as they are received.**

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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 West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission's July 6, 2022 meeting will be conducted via telephone and/or videoconferencing.

WEST LOS ANGELES AREA PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS CAN BE LISTENED TO BY DIALING (213) 621-2489 OR (818) 904-9450. YOU CAN ALSO VIEW THE MEETING ONLINE VIA ZOOM AT: <https://planning-lacity.org.zoom.us/j/86044798835> AND USE MEETING ID: 860 4479 8835. You may use passcode: 923549.

Members of the public who wish to participate in the meeting and offer public comment to the West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission, can either access the link located above or call **1 (213) 338-8477 or 1 (669) 900-9128** and use Meeting ID No. **860 4479 8835** and then press #. Press # again when prompted for participant ID. You may use passcode: **923549**.

Pursuant to the Commission's 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.

Written submissions are governed by Rule 4.3 of the West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission Rules and Operating Procedures which are posted online at <https://planning.lacity.org>, by selecting "About", "Commissioners", "West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission", and "Operating Procedures". However, please see revised submission guidelines below which have been modified in order to accommodate the conduct of the meeting telephonically.

Initial Submissions, not limited as to volume, must be received by the Commission Secretary no later than by 4:00 p.m. on the Monday prior to the week of the Commission meeting. Materials must be emailed to apcwestla@lacity.org. **Secondary Submissions** in response to a Staff Recommendation Report or additional comments must be received electronically no later than 48 hours before the Commission meeting. Submissions shall not exceed ten (10) pages, including exhibits, and must be submitted electronically to apcwestla@lacity.org. **Day of Hearing Submissions** within 48 hours of the meeting, up to and including the day of the meeting are limited to 2 pages plus accompanying photographs and must be submitted electronically to apcwestla@lacity.org. Photographs do not count toward the page limitation. Submissions that do not comply with these rules will be stamped "**File Copy. Non-Complying Submission.**" Non-complying submissions will be placed into the official case file, but they will not be delivered to or considered by the Commission, and will not be included in the official administrative record for the item at issue.

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 Rules and Operating Procedures and provided that the Commission retains jurisdiction over the case. If a Commission meeting is canceled or adjourned due to lack of quorum, all remaining agenda items shall be continued to the next regular meeting or beyond as long as the continuance is within the legal time limits of the case or cases.

Requests for reasonable modification or accommodation from individuals with disabilities, consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act can be made by contacting the Commission Executive Assistant at (213) 978-1128 or by email at apcwestla@lacity.org no later than three working days (72 hours) prior to the meeting. For Telecommunication Relay Services for the hearing impaired, please see the information located on the last page of this agenda.

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.

Agendas and Adopted Minutes are available online at <http://planning.lacity.org>, by selecting "About", "Commissions, Boards & Hearings", and filter by "West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission".

If you would like to receive a determination letter for any item on today's agenda, please email your request to apcwestla@lacity.org. Please include your contact information (email or mailing address) and the case number associated with the item.

For additional information regarding the format of this telephonic public meeting, please visit our website at <http://planning.lacity.org>.

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1. **DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE HOLDING MEETINGS VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Motion Required. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54953(e)(1)(B)-(C), and (e)(3)(A) and (e)(3)(B)(i), a determination that COVID-19 State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person and possible Commission action.

2. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS**

- [City Attorney Report re: Court of Appeal decision in *Trask Properties III, LLC v. City of Los Angeles* \(B309511\), opinion filed June 23, 2022](#)
- Advance Calendar
- Commission Request
- Minutes for Approval – November 17, 2021, May 4, 2022 and June 1, 2022

3. **NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL POSITION STATEMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Presentations by Neighborhood Council representatives on any Neighborhood Council resolution, or community impact statement filed with the City Clerk, which relates to any agenda item listed or being considered on this agenda. The Neighborhood Council representative shall provide the Board or Commission with a copy of the Neighborhood Council's resolution or community impact statement by email to apcwestla@lacity.org. At the Chair's discretion, presentations of Neighborhood Councils on any matter listed on the agenda for this Commission meeting may be taken at the time the agenda item is taken for consideration.

4. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Commission shall provide an opportunity in open meetings for the public to address it **on non-agenda items**, 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.

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5. **RECONSIDERATIONS**

- a. **MOTIONS TO RECONSIDER** – The Commission may make a motion to reconsider a Commission Action on any agenda items from its previous meeting, consistently with the Commission Rule 9.3, provided the Commission retains jurisdiction over the matter.
- b. **MERITS OF ANY ITEM THE COMMISSION HAS VOTED TO RECONSIDER** – If a majority of the Commission has approved a motion to reconsider a Commission Action, the Commission may address the merits of the original Commission action.

6. **AA-2019-6453-PMLA-SL-1A**

CEQA: ENV-2019-6456-CE

Related Case: DIR-2019-6455-CDP-MEL-1A,

ADM-2019-6454-SLD

Plan Area: Venice

Council District: 11 – Bonin

****Last Day to Act: 07-13-22**

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: 709 East Brooks Avenue

PROPOSED PROJECT:

A preliminary parcel map for the subdivision of a 4,826 square-foot lot into two (2) small lots in conjunction with the demolition of a duplex and accessory structures and the construction of two (2) three-story single-family dwellings. A total of five (5) parking spaces are provided onsite.

APPEAL:

An appeal of the March 2, 2022 Deputy Advisory Agency's determination which:

1. Determined based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from California Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15301 (Class 1), 15303 (Class 3), 15315 (Class 15), and 15332 (Class 32), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Section 12.22 C.27 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), to approve Parcel Map AA-2019-6453-PMLA-SL, located at 709 East Brooks Avenue, for a maximum two small lots, for a maximum of two new small lot homes, as shown on map stamp-dated October 30, 2019, in the Venice Community Plan.

Applicant: Wilshire View, LLC

Representative: Fred Gaines, Gaines & Stacey, LLP and Sue Steinberg, Howard Robinson and Associates

Appellant: Citizens Preserving Venice, Robin Rudisill

Staff: Kevin Fulton, Planning Assistant

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7. [DIR-2019-6455-CDP-MEL-1A](#)
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Related Case: AA-2019-6453-PMLA-SL-1A,
ADM-2019-6454-SLD
Plan Area: Venice

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**Last Day to Act: 07-13-22

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: 709 East Brooks Avenue

PROPOSED PROJECT:

A Coastal Development Permit to allow the demolition of a duplex and accessory structures, the subdivision of a 4,826 square-foot lot into two new small lots and the construction of two three-story single-family dwellings with roof decks. A total of five parking spaces are provided, and the Project is located in the Single Permit Jurisdiction Area of the Coastal Zone.

APPEAL:

Appeal of the March 2, 2022 Planning Director's determination which:

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15301 (Class 1), 15303 (Class 3), 15315 (Class 15) and 15332 (Class 32) and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Section 12.20.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), a Coastal Development Permit to allow the demolition of a duplex and accessory structures, the subdivision of a 4,826 square-foot lot into two new small lots and the construction of two three-story single-family dwellings with roof decks. A total of five parking spaces are provided and the Project is located in the Single Permit Jurisdiction Area of the Coastal Zone;
3. Approved, pursuant to Government Code Sections 65590 and 65590.1 and the City of Los Angeles Interim Mello Act Compliance Administrative Procedures, a Mello Act Compliance Review for the demolition of two Residential Units and the construction of two Residential Units in the California Coastal Zone; and
4. Adopted the Conditions of Approval and Findings.

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The next regular meeting of the West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission will be held at:
4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20, 2022

Notice to Paid Representatives

If you are compensated to monitor, attend, or speak at this meeting, City law may require you to register as a lobbyist and report your activity. See Los Angeles Municipal Code §§ 48.01 et seq. More information is available at ethics.lacity.org/lobbying. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org.

Reasonable Accommodations Consistent with Federal and State Law

As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate. The meeting facility and its parking are wheelchair accessible. Language interpreters, sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or other services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request no later than **three working days (72 hours)** prior to the meeting by calling the Commission Executive Assistant at (213) 978-1128 or by email at apcwestla@lacity.org.

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Telecommunications Relay Service is a telephone service that allows persons with hearing or speech disabilities to place and receive telephone calls. TRS is available in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. territories for local and/or long distance calls. TRS providers - generally telephone companies - are compensated for the costs of providing TRS from either a state or a federal fund. There is no cost to the TRS user.

What forms of TRS are available? There are several forms of TRS, depending on the particular needs of the user and the equipment available: TRS includes: Text to Voice TTY-Based TRS; Speech-to-Speech Relay Service; Shared Non-English Language Relay Service; Captioned Telephone Relay Service; Internet Protocol Relay Service; and Video Relay Service. Please visit this site for detail descriptions, <https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs>.

Don't hang up! Some people hang up on TRS calls because they think the Communications Assistant (CA) is a telemarketer. If you hear, "Hello. This is the relay service ..." when you pick up the phone, please don't hang up! You are about to talk, through a TRS provider, to a person who is deaf, hard-of-hearing, or has a speech disability.

For more information about FCC programs to promote access to telecommunications services for people with disabilities, visit the FCC's Disability Rights Office website.