

WEST LOS ANGELES AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022
(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 West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission's December 7, 2022 meeting was conducted via telephone and/or videoconferencing.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Vice President Lisa Waltz Morocco at 4:30 p.m. with Commissioners Margulies and Sandifer present.

Also in attendance were Juliet Oh, Senior City Planner; Oscar Medellin, Deputy City Attorney; Etta Armstrong, Commission Executive Assistant I, and Diego Vazquez, Administrative Clerk.

ITEM NO. 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 the COVID-19 State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person and possible Commission action.

MOTION:

Commissioner Margulies 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 Sandifer seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Margulies
Second: Sandifer
Ayes: Waltz Morocco
Absent: Yellin

Vote: 3 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- The Election of Officers was continued to a future date.
- Senior City Planner Report: Senior City Planner Juliet Oh, gave the following report:

- The Oil and Gas Drilling ban ordinance did go through City Council and is just waiting for the Mayor's review. Tomorrow the City Planning Commission will be hearing the Wildlife Ordinance. It will be impacting projects proposed in the Bel Air-Beverly Crest area, in which this Commission has seen a couple of appeals for projects in that area. Applicants will have to adhere to the new development regulations once that ordinance is in effect. The City Planning Commission will hear that tomorrow.
- **Deputy City Attorney Report:** Deputy City Oscar Medellin gave a report on the following:
 - Information about a court case involving the Mulholland Design Review Board and the Mulholland Parkway Specific Plan regarding the jurisdiction of the Director's guidance memo regarding design review. In August, the Court issued a decision and agreed with the petitioners that the guidance memo was beyond its jurisdiction and the City rescinded the memo.
- **Advance Calendar:** There were no changes made to the Advance Calendar.
- **Commission Requests:** Commissioner Margulies asked about Planning Commission training.
- **Approval of the Minutes:** The minutes of November 16, 2022 were postponed.

ITEM NO. 3

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION

There were no Neighborhood Council presentations.

ITEM NO. 4

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No one addressed the Commission during general public comment.

ITEM NO. 5

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsiderations.

There being no further business before the Commission, Commission Vice President Lisa Waltz Morocco adjourned the meeting at 4:51 p.m.

Lisa Waltz Morocco

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