

WEST LOS ANGELES AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023 REGULAR MEETING
PALMS-RANCHO PARK BRANCH LIBRARY
2920 OVERLAND AVENUE, RAY BRADBURY MEETING ROOM, SECOND FLOOR
LOS ANGELES, CA 90064

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The West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission’s October 18, 2023 meeting was conducted in person at the Palms-Rancho Park Branch Library and via telephone and Zoom Webinar in a hybrid meeting format.

Commission President Waltz Morocco called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with Commission Vice President April Sandifer, Commissioners Esther Margulies, and Marty Shelton present.

Commissioner Hailey Feng was not in attendance.

Also in attendance was Oscar Medellin, Deputy City Attorney. Commission Office staff participation included Neverly Ann Hill, Commission Executive Assistant, Diego Vazquez, and Bryan Walker, Administrative Clerks.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- No Senior City Planner present to make a report.
- Oscar Medellin, Deputy City Attorney, had no report.
- There were no Commission requests.
- Commission Vice President Sandifer announced a planned absence for the meeting of November 1, 2023.
- Meeting Minutes:

Commissioner Shelton moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of September 20, 2023. Vice President Sandifer seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Shelton
Second: Sandifer
Ayes: Margulies, Waltz Morocco
Absent: Feng

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION

There were no Neighborhood Council presentations.

ITEM NO. 3

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers addressed the Commission during general public comment.

ITEM NO. 4

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsiderations.

At approximately 4:40 p.m. Commissioner Haley Feng joined the meeting.

ITEM NO. 05

ZA-2022-4655-CUB-1A

CEQA: ENV-2022-4656-CE

Plan Area: Brentwood – Pacific Palisades

Council District: 11 – Park

Last Day to Act: 10-18-23

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: 223 – 225 South 26th Street

IN ATTENDANCE:

Phyllis Nathanson, Associate Zoning Administrator, representing the Department; Elizabeth Watson, representing the Applicant; Kristina Kropp, representing Appellant one, and Jonathan Pink, Appellant two.

MOTION:

President Walts Morocco moved to put forth the actions below in conjunction with the following Project, with Modified Conditions of Approval and Findings, as stated on the record:

The request to expand the off-site sales and consumption from beer and wine to a full line of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with an existing 6,076 square foot market/restaurant/bakery with hours of operation from 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. daily.

1. Determine, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301, Class 1 (Existing Facilities), 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 in part and grant the appeal in part, and sustain the Zoning Administrator's determination dated July 11, 2023;

3. Approve, a conditional use to authorize the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for off-site consumption and the continued sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption, in conjunction with an existing 6,076 square-foot food establishment, which includes a sit-down restaurant, bakery, and market, in the C1-1XLD Zone;
4. Adopt the attached Modified Conditions of Approval; and
5. Adopt the attached Findings.

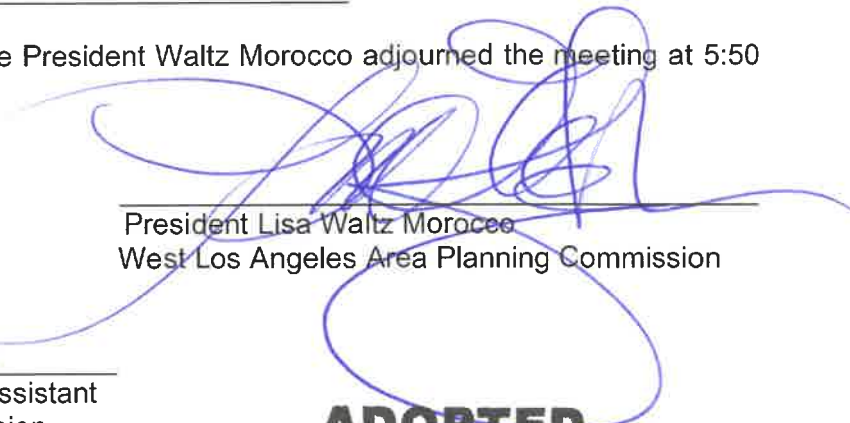
Commissioner Shelton seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Waltz Morocco
Second: Shelton
Ayes: Feng, Margulies, Sandifer

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business before the President Waltz Morocco adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.



President Lisa Waltz Morocco
West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission



Nevery Ann Hill, Commission Executive Assistant
West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission

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