

WEST LOS ANGELES AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2025, REGULAR MEETING
FELICIA MAHOOD MULTIPURPOSE CENTER
11338 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD
LOS ANGELES, CA 90025

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The West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission’s January 15, 2025, meeting was conducted in person at the Felicia Mahood Multipurpose Center and via telephone and Zoom Webinar in a hybrid meeting format.

Commission President April Sandifer called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. with Commission Vice President Marty Shelton, Commissioners Haley Feng, Esther Margulies present, with Commissioner Lisa Waltz-Morocco absent.

Also in attendance were Kiran Rishi Senior City Planner, Ira Brown, City Planner, and Parissh Knox, Deputy City Attorney. Commission Office staff participation included Alma Sandoval, Commission Executive Assistant I, Diego Vazquez, and Marcos Godoy, Administrative Clerks.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- Kiran Rishi, Senior City Planner, gave the following report on behalf of Vicent Bertoni, Director of Planning.
- Parissh Knox, Deputy City Attorney, had no report.
- Commission Requests:
 - Commissioner Margulies announced a planned absence for March 5, 2025
- Meeting Minutes
Commissioner Marqulies moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of September 18, 2024, Commission Vice President seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION

There were no Neighborhood Council presentations.

ITEM NO. 3

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

There was one speaker who addressed the Commission during general public comment.

ITEM NO. 4

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsiderations.

ITEM NO. 5

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CEQA: ENV-2024-1074-CE

Plan Area: Venice

Council District: 11 – Park
Last Day to Act: 2-05-25

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

PROJECT SITE: 2010 South Canal Street

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ira Brown, City Planner representing the Planning Department; Jason Koebler, Appellant and Gustavo Gubel representing the Applicant - Charles McDaniel.

MOTION:

Commissioner Vice President Shelton moved to put forth the actions below in conjunction with the following Project as stated on the record:

Conversion of a two-car garage into an attached 372 square foot Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) within an existing two-story duplex resulting in a lot with a duplex and an attached ADU, providing one parking space on-site.

1. Determine, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1), and that there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Deny the appeal and sustain the Planning Director's Determination dated October 3, 2024;
3. Approve, pursuant Section 13B.9.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, a Coastal Development Permit authorizing the conversion of a two-car garage into a 372 square foot attached Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) resulting in a lot developed with a duplex and a 372 square foot attached ADU, providing one parking space on-site; located in the Dual Permit Jurisdiction area of the coastal Zone;

4. Approve, pursuant to Sections 65590 and 65590.1 of the Government Code, a Mello Act Compliance Review for the construction of one Residential Unit (ADU) in the Coastal Zone;
5. Adopt the Conditions of Approval; and
6. Adopt the Findings.

Commissioner Feng seconded the motion, and the vote proceeded as follows:

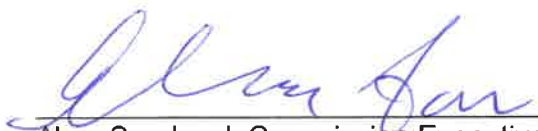
The vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business before the Commission President Sandifer adjourned the meeting at 5:35 p.m.


Alma Sandoval, Commission Executive Assistant I
West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission


Commission President April Sandifer
West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission

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