

**CITY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 5, 2009**

The regular meeting of the City Planning Commission and public hearing convened Thursday, February 5, at 5:08 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, CA.

**PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS:** Philip Saumur, Becky Blair, Charles Durnin, Melani Smith, Donita Van Horik

**ABSENT: EXCUSED:** Leslie Gentile

**CHAIRMAN:** Philip Saumur

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Craig Beck, Director of Development Services  
Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer  
Jill Griffiths, Advance Planning Officer  
Lynette Ferenczy, Planner  
Scott Kinsey, Planner  
Heidi Eidson, Minutes Clerk

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mike Mais, Assistant City Attorney

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Smith.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of December 4, 2008 were approved on a motion by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed 4-0-1 with Commissioner Van Horik abstaining. Commissioner Gentile was absent.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Craig Beck spoke.

**SWEARING OF WITNESSES**

**STUDY SESSION ITEM #1**

Lynette Ferenczy, Project Planner, gave a brief introduction to the mixed-use condo project at 1598 Long Beach Boulevard. Michael Bohn, project architect, Studio One Eleven, gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the project Site Plan.

Mr. Bohn responded to questions from Commissioner Durnin.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Mr. Bohn responded to questions from Commissioner Van Horik.

Mr. Bohn responded to questions from Commissioner Blair.

Mr. Bohn responded to questions from Commissioner Saumur.

## **STUDY SESSION ITEM #2**

Derek Burnham, Current Planning Officer, introduced the study session item regarding billboards.

Scott Kinsey, Project Planner, gave a PowerPoint presentation and discussed billboard regulations.

A discussion ensued between Commissioner Smith, Mr. Burnham, Mike Mais, Assistant City Attorney and Mr. Beck.

Mr. Burnham responded to a question from Commissioner Van Horik.

Mr. Mais responded to a question from Commissioner Van Horik.

Commissioner Durnin spoke.

A discussion ensued between Commissioner Blair, Mr. Burnham, Mr. Mais and Mr. Beck.

Mr. Beck responded to questions from Commissioner Smith.

A discussion ensued between Commissioner Saumur, Mr. Mais, Mr. Burnham and Mr. Beck.

Commissioner Saumur spoke.

A discussion ensued between Commissioner Van Horik, Mr. Beck, and Mr. Mais.

Lisa Wibroe, Sustainability Commissioner, address on file, spoke.

Chuck Fowler, 458 E. Platt Street, spoke.

Bill Baker, Redevelopment Agency Chair, address on file, spoke.

Jim Thompson, Redevelopment Agency member, address on file, spoke.

Mr. Mais responded to a question from Commissioner Saumur.

## **REPORT ON OTHER DEPARTMENT MATTERS**

There were no matters from the Department.

## **MATTERS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

There were no matters from the Planning Commission

## **ADJOURN**

Chair Saumur adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Eidson  
Minutes Clerk