

OFFICIAL
CITY OF LOS ANGELES
East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission Minutes
Wednesday, July 25, 2018
Ramona Hall Community Center
4580 North Figueroa Street
Los Angeles, California 90065

MINUTES OF THE EAST LOS ANGELES AREA PLANNING COMMISSION HEREIN ARE REPORTED IN ACTION FORMAT. COMPLETE DETAILS, INCLUDING THE DISCUSSION, RELATING TO EACH ITEM ARE CONTAINED IN THE AUDIO RECORDING FOR THIS MEETING. AUDIO RECORDINGS ARE AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING CENTRAL PUBLICATIONS, AT (213) 978-1255 AND ARE ALSO ACCESSIBLE ONLINE AT planning.lacity.org.

The meeting was called to order by President Arellano at 4:51 p.m. with Commissioners Choi, Leung and Stein present.

Commissioner Alarcon did not attend the meeting.

Also in attendance were Jane Choi, Senior City Planner on behalf of the Director of Planning; Oscar Medellin, Deputy City Attorney; Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant; and Rafael Vega, Senior Administrative Assistant.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- Election of Officers:
Commissioner Arellano stated Elections of Officers would be taken up at the end of the meeting.
- Jane Choi, Senior City Planner reported on the following items of interest:
 - The City Planning Commission considered the Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance, also known as "ADUs", on July 12, 2018. The City Planning Commission instructed staff to look at new language to allow for movable tiny homes as part of the ADU program. The ordinance is still in development.
 - The City Planning Department is starting the update of the Citywide Design Guidelines.
- Advance Calendar:
Commissioner Stein retracted her planned absence for August 8, 2018. Commissioner Leung stated she will not be available for the meeting of November 28, 2018.
- Commission Requests:
There were no requests from the Commission.
- Approval of the Minutes:
Commissioner Stein moved to approve the minutes of July 11, 2018, with a minor correction. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Choi and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Stein
Second: Choi
Ayes: Arellano, Leung
Absent: Alarcon

Vote: 4 - 0

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

There were no presentations by Neighborhood Council representatives.

ITEM NO. 3

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no speakers who requested to address the Commission during public comment.

ITEM NO. 4

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsiderations.

ITEM NO. 5

DIR-2017-4128-DRB-SPP-1A
CEQA: ENV-2017-4129-CE
Plan Area: Northeast Los Angeles

Council District: 14 - Huizar
Last Day to Act: 08-04-18

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

PROJECT SITE: 1734 Colorado Boulevard

IN ATTENDANCE:

Nicole Sanchez, City Planner, and Jane Choi, Senior City Planner, representing the Planning Department; Lisa Kolieb, Akeiman LLP, representing the applicant; Greg Merideth, President, The Eagle Rock Association, appellant; Ezra Hammer, representing the appellant; Kevin Ocubillo, representing the Office of Councilmember Huizar.

MOTION:

Commissioner Leung put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the following project with modifications as stated on the record:

An exterior facade remodel (including a door awning), the fully enclosing of an existing 75 square-foot seating area; the installation of three (3) identification wall signs and the installation of two awnings.

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1. Determine based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Article III, Section 1, and Class 1 Category 1 (interior or exterior alterations, remodeling, or minor construction where there will be negligible or no expansion of use), of the CEQA Guidelines, and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exception pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Grant the appeal in part and deny the appeal in part;
3. Sustain the determination of the Planning Director to approve, pursuant to the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Sections 16.50 and 11.5.7 and the Colorado Boulevard Specific Plan, a Project Permit Compliance and Design Review for the project;
4. Adopt the Conditions of Approval as modified by the Commission; and
5. Adopt the Findings as amended by the Commission.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Choi and the vote proceeded as follows:

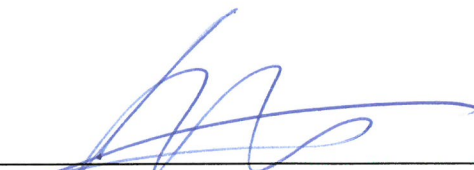
Moved: Leung
Second: Choi
Ayes: Arellano, Stein
Absent: Alarcon

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

President Arellano announced he was returning to Item No. 01 for the Election of Officers. Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant, requested on behalf of the Mayor's Office, that the Elections be postponed until all of the Commissioners of the East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission are present to participate in the vote. No motion was required.

There being no further business to come before the East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission the meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.



Christopher Arellano, President
East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission



Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant
East Los Angeles Area Planning Commission

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