



PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

November 19, 1998

West Hollywood Park Auditorium, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair John Altschul.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Emmeline Elzin

B. Roll Call

Commissioners Present:

Liz Anderson, John Altschul, Brad Crowe, Donald DeLuccio, Thomas Jones, Harriet Segal, Steve Smith (late)

Commissioners Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Ray Reynolds, Community Development Director; Lisa Heep, Planning Manager; Amanda Susskind, City Attorney's Office; Hassan Haghani, Associate Planner; Tim Foy, Associate Planner, Liz Bar-El, Acting Associate Planner; Elinor Aurthur, Planning Consultant, Emmeline Elzin, Planning Intern.

C. Approval of Agenda

Action: To approve the Agenda .

Motion: DeLuccio

Second: Anderson

Votes: All Ayes

Motion carried.

D. Posting of Agenda

This agenda was posted at City Hall, the Community Development Department counter, West Hollywood Library on San Vicente Boulevard, Plummer Park, and the West Hollywood Sheriff's station.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. November 5, 1998 Minutes

B. Resolution PC 98-195 for Hyatt Hotel, 8401 Sunset Boulevard – Tim Foy

Approve the Consent Calendar.

Motion: Crowe

Second: DeLuccio

Votes: All Ayes

Motion carried.

4. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR - none

5. COMMISSION CONSIDERATION - none

6. PUBLIC HEARING

A. CUP 98-11: New roof-top PCS wireless equipment.

Applicant: Mary Rowe for SM Consulting

Location: 8235 Santa Monica Boulevard

Planner: Elinor Aurthur

Recommendation: To approve the request subject to the findings and conditions in the proposed resolution.

Ms. Aurthur presented the staff report.

a. **Mary Rowe**, Applicant, presented Applicant's report.

The Commission discussed the following:

- Co-location issues.
- Technological specifics.

Motion to close the public hearing.

Motion: Crowe

Second: Deluccio

Votes: All Ayes

Motion carried.

Action: To approve the Resolution PC 98-197.

Motion: Crowe

Second: Deluccio

Votes: All Ayes

Motion carried.

(Item C was announced switched with item B by Chair Altshul.)

C. CUP 98-14, DVP 98-47: Interior remodel of approximately 4,310 square feet to be used for yoga, spinning, and other health enhancing exercise.

Applicant: Janet Fitzgerald (Body & Soul, Inc.)

Location: 8599 Santa Monica Boulevard

Planner: Hassan Haghani

Recommendation: To approve the request subject to the findings and conditions in the proposed resolution.

Mr. Haghani presented the staff report.

a. **Janet Fitzgerald**, Applicant, presented Applicant's report.

b. **Jeanne Dobrin**, West Hollywood, expressed concern regarding hotels opening facilities to the public and voiced concern over shower/bathroom facilities and future potential pool use.

c. **Dodd Mitchell**, West Hollywood, Body & Soul employee presented additional materials to the commission and members of the public. Clarified blueprints and proposed use.

The Commission discussed the following:

- Parking requirements.
- Shower, restroom, and locker facilities.
- Expected numbers of clientele.

Action: To approve Resolution PC 98-198.

Motion: DeLuccio

Second: Crowe

Votes: All Ayes

Motion carried

B. CUP 98-12: Amend nightclub floor plan approved for SCUP 93-11 to move dance floor to first floor; move lounge to 2nd floor, move bar location; no increase in gross floor area.

Applicant: Don Randall

Location: 8531 Santa Monica Boulevard

Planner: Liz Bar-El

Recommendation: To approve the request subject to the findings and conditions in the proposed resolution.

Ms Bar-El suggested a continuance to December 17, 1998 due to applicant request for postponement.

The Commission discussed the following:

- Possible neighborhood meeting regarding the project before the next commission meeting.
- Sign will be reposted for public hearing.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. **Joyce Heftel**, West Hollywood, expressed concern regarding noise for nightclub at 8531 Santa Monica Boulevard.
- b. **Jeanne Dobrin**, West Hollywood, inquired about commission schedule. Expressed concern and opposition about off-site parking and circulation problems.

8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- a. Commissioner Jones stated that the East Side PAC is currently evaluating 4 projects for recommendation.
- b. Commissioner Jones addressed a question to staff regarding 8240 Sunset Boulevard Billboard.

10. ITEMS FROM STAFF

a. Director's Report – Ray Reynolds

Mr. Reynolds reported on the following: Santa Monica Boulevard, recent Palmview apartment building dedication and Dec 9th appreciation reception for those involved with SMB project.

- b. Ms. Heep stated that there are no items for December 3, 1998 and asked that the Planning Commission meeting be cancelled.
- c. Ms. Susskind clarified that the meeting could only be cancelled due to a lack of quorum.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Action: To adjourn to a regular meeting on December 3, 1998, from 6:30 PM until completion at West Hollywood Park Auditorium, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS DAY OF December 17, 1998.

CHAIRPERSON: _____

ATTEST:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR: _____