



PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

AUGUST 21, 1997

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 Shirley Roberts.

B. Roll Call

Commissioners Present:

John Altschul, David Behr, Brad Crowe, Donald DeLuccio, Thomas Jones, Steve Smith

Staff Present:

Ray Reynolds, Community Development Director; Lisa Heep, Planning Manager; Amanda Susskind, City Attorney's Office; John Keho, Associate Planner; Liz Bar-El, Planning Technician; Tom Trevor, Staff Assistant I

C. Approval of Agenda

Action: To approve the Agenda.

Motion: Crowe

Second: Behr

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 - none

4. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Minutes, August 7, 1997

The Commission directed staff to amend to Item 6B, under list of items to include in draft SCUP modification resolution add "no food service outside."

Action: To approve Minutes, August 7, 1997.

Motion: DeLuccio

Second: Smith

Votes: All Ayes

Motion carried.

C. Zoning Text Amendment 97-01 Study Session: Study session regarding advertisement/signage in public right-of-way.

Applicant: City of West Hollywood
Location: Citywide
Case Planner: John Keho
Recommendation: To engage in study session regarding advertisement/signage in public right-of-way.

Commissioner Jones closed recused himself from this item because he has worked and currently works with signage companies.

Mr. Keho presented the staff report.

The Commission discussed:

- Procedures for control and history
- Clarification of similar public structures
- Clarification of phone booths on public property
- Contracts with advertising companies for bus shelters
- Revenue
- Vandalization of bus shelters
- Grandfathering uses
- Criteria for banners

The Commission decided by consensus that they were in favor of advertisement use on bus shelters, and not in favor of advertisement use on phone booths, trashcans, and City-owned buildings. The Commission did not reach a consensus regarding banners.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Extension Request 97-02: Request extension for construction of 4-unit condominium.

Applicant: Jacob & Rozalia Kovelman
Location: 828 Westbourne Drive
Case Planner: John Keho
Recommendation: To approve the request subject to the findings and conditions in the proposed resolution.

Commissioner Jones has rejoined the Commission for this hearing.

Mr. Keho presented the staff report.

The Commission discussed:

- Electric charging station

a. **Rozalia Kovelman**, presented the Applicant's report.

The Commission discussed:

- How long have property has been owned by Applicant
- If Applicant has contractor hired
- Applicant plans to build herself?

Action: To close the public hearing.

Motion: Crowe
Votes: All Ayes

Second: DeLuccio
Motion carried.

The Commission directed staff to amend Resolution PC 97-140, Section 2, Page 3, Item 4, that Development Fees be current when B&S permits are issued.

Action: To approve Resolution PC 97-140, as amended above.

Motion: Crowe

Second: Smith

Votes: All Ayes

Motion carried.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT - none

8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- a. Commission Altschul inquired if the Commission had any comments regarding Kings Road Park memo; the Commission had none.
- b. Commissioner Jones stated that at the last PAC meeting, Tuesday night, there was a rundown on various reports from USC Planning School, and discussion on RFQ on Santa Monica Boulevard/La Brea Avenue which goes to City Council in September/October
- c. Commissioner Jones stated that he was concerned regarding Film Permits in residential zones. The Commission requested that Helen Goss write a memo in regards to permits in residential areas.
- d. Commissioner Behr stated that the issue of electric vehicle charging stations in zoning code needs to be addressed.
- e. Commissioner Behr stated that there is a proliferation of pay phones on Santa Monica Boulevard and requested an explanatory memo from staff.
- f. Commissioner Crowe wished John Altschul a happy birthday.

9. ITEMS FROM STAFF

A. Director's Update - Ray Reynolds

Mr. Reynolds presented an update on the following:

MCUP, Roxbury, MCC, Billboard, Community Codewatch, Angelo Shannon, House of Blues and Code Compliance.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Action: To adjourn to the next regular Planning Commission on September 4, 1997 from 6:30 PM until completion at West Hollywood Park Auditorium, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS DAY OF SEPTEMBER 4, 1997.

CHAIRPERSON: _____



ATTEST:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR: _____

