

CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

March 17, 1994

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

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission was called to order by Commissioner Richmond at 7:00 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Richmond.

B. Roll Call:

Commissioners Present: Behr, Crowe, Lambert, Litz, Loveman, Richmond, Zaden

Others Present: Anne Browning, Planning Manager; Bill Meeker, Associate Planner; Tim Foy, Assistant Planner; Liz Bar-El, Planning Technician; Matt Mielewski, Planning Intern; Tom Trevor, Recording Secretary.

C. Approval of Agenda:

Action: To pull the Consent Calendar and approve the agenda as amended.

Motion: Litz Second: Zaden

Vote: All Ayes Motion carried.

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

II. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS

A. Jeanne Dobrin, West Hollywood, commented on the items she raised regarding Little Frida's Coffee House on March 3, 3, 1994. She also mentioned that numerous flyers had been posted along Santa Monica Boulevard, and clients of Luna Park were illegally parking on Robertson Boulevard.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

IV. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Minutes

1. March 3, 1994

Pulled for the following changes:

- a) On the February 17, 1994 minutes, Commissioner Behr wants to change the last sentence to read, "limited discussion to" rather than "limited discussion on";
- b) On Page 3, Commissioner Behr wants titles added to Section 5 (Initial Approval Period for Outdoor Newsstands) and Section 6 (Fences, Walls and Hedges on Secondary Highways);
- c) On Page 4 (Items from Commissioners), Commissioner Zaden requested the sentence to read, "members to complete Form 721" rather than the word "accomplish"; and
- d) Regarding the approval of the Ordinance on Page 3, the Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crowe.

Action: To approve the minutes with the mentioned changes.

Motion: Loveman

Second: Crowe

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.

B. Creative Sign Permit 94-06

Approval of a creative sign for "Fatburger", located at 7450 Santa Monica Boulevard.

Bill Meeker presented the staff report.

Action: To adopt Resolution No. PC 94-17, approving Creative Sign Permit 94-06, with the following changes: 1) remove the word "rotating" from Section 1; 2) change date of approval from "March 3, 1994" to March 17, 1994, in Section 2; 3) remove the last sentence of Section 2(e) which states that the sign will rotate; and 4) add the following language to the end of Section 3, following "February 3, 1994": "With the exception that the sign shall not rotate, but shall remain stationary."

Motion: Litz

Second: Zaden

Vote: Ayes - Crowe, Lambert, Litz, Loveman, Richmond, Zaden

Noes - Behr

Motion carries.

V. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

Motion: Litz

Second: Zaden

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.

B. Discussion of recent changes made to the Brown Act.

The Commissioners and the Planning Manager talked about the recent changes and how they affect the Commission's business.

Jeanne Dobrin, West Hollywood, said that letters against Iguana Cafe should have been included in the public packet.

The Commission decided to:

1. Disband a standing committee for zoning text amendments. Call a committee on as needed basis; and
2. Set Design Committee meetings for 6:00 P.M. prior to the Planning Commission meetings so that they can be added to the agenda.

VIII. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS

IX. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- A. Commissioner Litz reported that the Special Events Committee is being disbanded due to refusal of staff to participate.
- B. Commissioner Behr asked for clarification on the Monthly Staff Report regarding treatment of properties that belong to both the jurisdictions of Los Angeles and West Hollywood, and the Eastside revitalization.
- C. Commissioner asked to what extent the Commissioners have to read letters that are handed to them by the public before each Planning Commission meeting.

The Planning Commission directed staff to ask the City Attorney about the proper procedure when letters are submitted at a public hearing.

X. ITEMS FROM STAFF

- A. Anne Browning passed out a letter and photographs from the artist who did the art work at 1320 Harper Avenue building.
- B. Anne announced that she will be going to Oakland to a League meeting on ABC licenses and local jurisdiction authority.

C. Anne announced the Appeal items that will go before the City Council on March 21st. Chabad is continued while the Palm project is still on the agenda.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Action: To adjourn to the meeting of the Planning Commission on Thursday, April 7, 1994, at 7:00 p.m., West Hollywood Park Auditorium, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood.

Motion: Crowe

Second: Behr

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.



CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT