

MINUTES

CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
PLANNING COMMISSION

APRIL 7, 1988

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

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

A. Pledge: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dina Tasini.

B. Roll Call:

Commissioners Present: Richmond, Lehman, Leibowitz-Neglia, Siegel, Gene Smith, Steve Smith

Others Present: Howard Zelefsky, Planning Manager; Jeff Archuleta, Associate Planner; Dina Tasini, Associate Planner; M. Gatanela, Secretary

C. Approval of Agenda:

Action: To pull Item III.A.1, table Item V.D as recommended and approve the agenda.

Motion: Leibowitz-Neglia Second: Gene Smith

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.

D. Posting of Agenda

This agenda was posted at both counters at City Hall, the window at City Hall, West Hollywood Library on San Vicente Boulevard and Plummer Park.

II. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS - None

III. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Resolution

Resolution No. PC 88-22 - Approving Development Permit 88-15 and Demolition Permit 88-06 for the demolition of a single-family house and the construction of a new single-family house at 815 Huntley Drive.

This item was pulled by the Commissioners for discussion on design plans. Commissioner Lehman suggested that there should be a change in language in condition "j" to include "...landscape plan should be submitted to staff and be reviewed by staff prior to issuance of building permit." Commissioner Gene Smith requested condition "e" should be revised to allow changes in the front facade.

Action: To adopt resolution as amended with corrected wordings discussed, with a proviso that the design plans be accepted at the next Planning Commission meeting, and to have the Resolution on the Demolition Permit brought back at the next meeting.

Motion: Lehman Second: Gene Smith

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

Action: To move Item V.C to be the first public hearing.

Motion: Steve Smith Second: Siegel

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.

A. Conditional Use Permit 87-11 - Request to upgrade an existing restaurant to a bar and entertainment facility.

Applicant: Michael Maizel

Location: 8290 Santa Monica Boulevard

Recommended Action: Open the public hearing and take testimony, then continue to April 21, 1988.

Dina Tasini presented the staff report.

Commissioner Richmond opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke in favor of the project.

Rob Katherman, Los Angeles, representing the applicant.
Vera Domanevich, 7638 Lexington Avenue, West Hollywood
Fryma Gorenstein, 1328 N. Genesee, West Hollywood
Kotik Shperton, 1005 Curson, #10, West Hollywood
Michael Versler, 10700 Vanowen, North Hollywood
Gary Gorin, 8290 S. Monica, West Hollywood
Sima Myaskovsky, 120 S. Kings Road, West Hollywood
Ed Grobman, North Hollywood
Saul Vaisman, 14607 Hamlin, Van Nuys
Israel Gorenstein, 404 N. Laurel, West Hollywood
Tatyana Vinnik, 722 N. Orlando, #201, Los Angeles
Mary Aloe, PR for Palette; Havenhurst, West Hollywood

The following spoke against the project:

Kostas Augeropoulos, 8276 Norton, West Hollywood
Chris Stavroudis, 1115 N. Flores St., #8, West Hollywood
Maxine Meltzer, 1033-2/3 Sweetzer, West Hollywood
Jeanne Dobrin, 9000 Cynthia, West Hollywood
Florence Delbarian, 8250 W. Norton, West Hollywood

The following persons spoke regarding the project without taking sides:

David Behr, 8127 W. Norton, West Hollywood
Budd Kops, 941 N. San Vicente, West Hollywood
Ira Stein, 8944 Dicks St., West Hollywood

The Commissioners asked questions from staff and some people who spoke and discussed among themselves issues on parking and noise.

Action: To continue the hearing until April 21, 1988, and ask staff to come back with the requested materials.

Motion: Leibowitz-Neglia Second: Lehman

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.

B. Zoning Ordinance Amendment - Outdoor Newsstands

Amendment to establish design standards for outdoor newsstands (continued from March 31, 1988).

Applicant: City of West Hollywood

Location: Citywide

Recommended Action: Take testimony, consider the various issues and make recommendations to the City Council for ordinance revisions.

Jeff Archuleta presented the staff report.

Jeanne Dobrin, West Hollywood, spoke against allowing newsstands.

Bill Pavloff, (applicant), West Hollywood, spoke in favor of the project.

Commissioners discussed size, design, hours of operation, maintenance, permit renewals, location and parking issues. They also discussed materials to be sold and whether it would be a nuisance.

Action: To close the public hearing.

Motion: Lehman Second: Gene Smith

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.

Action: Accept the draft ordinance with the following revisions: that the newsstands will be subject to Major Conditional Use Permit with annual review by the Commission; that newsstands be located with a minimum distance of 100 feet from the closest residential building; that no 24-hour newsstands be permitted; that hours of operation for each newsstand will be established as part of the Conditional Use Permit; that signs shall be for identification of the business, its address and telephone number only; and dimensions and the like to be determined as part of the Conditional Use Permit.

Motion: Lehman Second: Gene Smith

Vote: Ayes: Richmond, Lehman, Siegel, Gene Smith and Steve Smith

Noes: Leibowitz-Neglia

Motion carried.

- C. Development Permit 88-02 - Request to add approximately 4,000 square feet to the ground floor of an existing office building and redesign interior lobby and parking garage circulation.

Applicant: Shearson Beverly Hills Medical Office Partners

Location: 9201 Sunset Boulevard

Recommended Action: Continue to April 21, 1988.

Action: To continue to April 21, 1988 as recommended.

Motion: Lehman Second: Gene Smith

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.

- D. Zoning Ordinance Amendment - Temporary Use Definition

Amendment to establish a definition for temporary uses (continued from March 31, 1988)

Applicant: City of West Hollywood

Location: Citywide

Recommended Action: Table this item without further discussion.

Action: To table this item as recommended.

Motion: Leibowitz-Neglia Second: Gene Smith

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.

V. COMMISSION CONSIDERATION - None

VI. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS - None

VII. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Staff handed out a book on the Job of the Planning Commissioner.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Action: To adjourn until the next regular meeting of the Planning Commission on April 21, 1988 at the West Hollywood Park Auditorium.

Motion: Leibowitz-Neglia

Second: Lehman

Vote: All Ayes

Motion carried.


CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT