



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 N. Rexford Drive
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**PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 23, 2015
1:30 PM**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: April 23, 2015 / 1:35 pm

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Gordon, Shooshani, Corman, Vice Chair Block,
Chair Fisher

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Ryan Gohlich, Michele McGrath, Timothea Tway, Andre Sahakian,
Alek Miller, Karen Myron, David Snow, David Lightner, Trish Rhay

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Speakers: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Motion by Order of the Chair to approve the agenda as presented
(5-0).

Action: The agenda was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of Minutes from the Planning Commission Regular Meeting of April 9, 2015.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Block, Second by Commissioner Gordon to
approve the minutes as presented (4-0-1, Corman abstain).

Action: The minutes were approved as presented.

2. Approval of Minutes from the Planning Commission Special Meeting of April 9, 2015.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Block, Second by Commissioner Shooshani
to approve the minutes as presented (4-0-1, Corman abstain).

Action: The minutes were approved as presented.

PLANNING COMMISSION / BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS / PLANNING AGENCY PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. Planning Agency Review of Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Consistency with the General Plan

Adopt a resolution finding the 2015/2016 – 2019/2020 Capital Improvement Program consistent with the City's General Plan.

Planner: Timothea Tway, Associate Planner
Applicant: City of Beverly Hills
Public Input: None

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Corman, Second by Vice Chair Block to adopt the resolution as presented (5-0).

Action: The resolution was adopted as presented.

**4. 310 North Crescent Drive
Zone Text Amendment and R-4 Permit**

A request for a Zone Text Amendment to allow a reviewing authority to grant an R-4 Permit to allow an extension of legally nonconforming height for multi-family residential development; and a request for an R-4 Permit to allow an extension of legally nonconforming height for an addition to an existing multi-family residential development located at 310 North Crescent Drive. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act, the Planning Commission will also consider a determination of exemption for this project.

Ex Parte Communications: Chair Fisher and Commissioner Shooshani disclosed that they had conversations with representatives of the project, but that no decisions had been made prior to the meeting.

Planner: Andre Sahakian, Associate Planner
Applicant: Murray D. Fischer and Stephen Webb
Public Input: Carrie Ketchum

The Commission took a recess at 2:54 pm.

The Commission reconvened at 3:18 pm.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Corman, Second by Commissioner Gordon to deny the requested Ordinance amendment and R-4 permit application (5-0).

Action: **The Commission denied the request for a Zone Text Amendment and R-4 Permit.**

5. 1146 Tower Road

Hillside R-1 Permit

Consideration of a resolution conditionally approving a Hillside R-1 permit to allow cumulative floor area exceeding 15,000 square feet for additions to the west wing of an existing residence and certain other areas; allow an accessory structure within the front yard to exceed 14' in height; and to allow a solid wall/gate with a height of 6' in the front yard setback; and denying a Hillside R-1 Permit to allow cumulative floor area to exceed fifteen thousand square feet for an addition of a pool house on the east slope of the property located at 1146 Tower Road. Pursuant to the Provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act, the Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption for the project.

Citing absence at the April 9, 2015 Planning Commission meeting at which the Commission conducted a site visit to view the project, Commissioner Corman excused himself from this item, leaving the room at 3:48 pm.

Planner: Andre Sahakian, Associate Planner
Applicant: Dominic Filosa
Public Input: Stuart Ketchum

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Block, Second by Commissioner Gordon to adopt the resolution as amended (4-0-1, Corman absent).

Action: **The resolution was adopted as amended.**

Commissioner Corman returned to the meeting at 3:53 pm.

6. 8950 Olympic Boulevard

Conditional Use Permit – Mathnasium

A request for a Conditional Use Permit to allow the establishment of an approximately 990 square foot educational institution within the ground floor of an existing commercial building located at 8950 Olympic Boulevard. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act, the Planning Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption for this project.

Planner: Alek Miller, Assistant Planner
Applicant: David Peddie, Mathnasium
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Block, Second by Commissioner Corman to adopt the resolution as presented (5-0).
Action: **The resolution was adopted as presented.**

Chair Fisher left the meeting at 4:07 pm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Staff advised that a meeting of the Rooftop Lunchroom Subcommittee would be scheduled in the near future.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Corman provided an update on the progress of proposed amendments to the Historic Preservation Ordinance

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY PLANNER

City Planner Ryan Gohlich provided an update on the In-Lieu parking Ordinance, which was heard at the April 21, 2015 City Council Meeting.

7. Upcoming Projects List

Action: **Received and filed.**

8. Building Permit Activity Report – 3/01/15 thru 3/31/15

Action: **Received and filed.**

9. 2015 Meeting Schedule

Action: **Received and filed.**

MEETING ADJOURNED

Date / Time: April 23, 2015 /4:15 pm

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 28TH DAY OF MAY, 2015

Howard S. Fisher, Chair