



PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING *ACTION REPORT*

MEETING DATE:	Thursday, February 12, 2009
MEETING TIME:	7:00 p.m.
MEETING PLACE:	City Council Chambers, City Hall 350 Main Street El Segundo, California 90245-0989
VIDEO:	El Segundo Cable Channel 3 (Live). Replayed on Friday following Thursday's Meeting at: 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., Channel 3.

The Planning Commission, with certain statutory exceptions, can only take action upon properly posted and listed agenda items.

Unless otherwise noted in the Agenda, the public can only comment on City-related business that is within the subject-matter jurisdiction of the Planning Commission and items listed on the Agenda during the **Public Communications** portion of the meeting. Additionally, the public can comment on any public hearing item on the Agenda during the public hearing portion of such item. The time limit for comments is generally limited to five minutes per person.

Members of the public may request that items be placed on the Agenda by submitting a **Written Request** to the Planning and Building Safety Director at least ten days before the Planning Commission Meeting (by 10:00 a.m. the Monday of the prior week). The request must include a brief general description of the business to be transacted or discussed at the meeting. Playing of video tapes or use of visual aids may be permitted during meetings if they are submitted to the Planning and Building Safety Director a minimum of two working days before the meeting and they do not exceed five minutes in length.

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- A. **Call to Order** – 7:04 p.m.
- B. **Pledge of Allegiance** – led by Madame Chair Fellhauer
- C. **Roll Call** – present: (4-0), Vice Chair Wagner absent
- D. **Public Communications (Related to City Business only and for which the Planning Commission is responsible – 5 minutes per person; 30 minutes total).** *Individuals who received value of \$50 or more to communicate to the Planning Commission on another’s behalf, and employees speaking on their employer’s behalf, must so identify themselves before addressing the Commission. Failure to do so is a misdemeanor. While all comments are welcome, the Brown Act does not allow the Commission to take action on any item not on the agenda. The Commission may respond to comments after public communications is closed.*

E. **Consent Calendar**

All items are to be adopted by one motion without discussion and passed unanimously. If a request for discussion of an item is made, the item(s) should be considered individually under the next Agenda heading.

- 1. Consideration and possible other action regarding approval of the January 22, 2009, Planning Commission Meeting Minutes.

ACTION: Approved (4-0)

F. **Call Items from Consent Calendar**

None.

G. **Written Communications (other than what is included in Agenda packets)**

None.

H. **New Business – Public Hearing**

- 2. **Environmental Assessment No. EA-804 and Adjustment No. 08-03**

Address: 333 Continental Blvd.
Applicant: Linda Bush Sosa
Property Owner: Mattel, Inc.

The applicant is requesting a Sign Adjustment to install two five hundred four (504) square-foot permanent wall signs on the south façade of an existing parking structure at 333 Continental Boulevard. The proposed new signs total 1,008 square feet in area when combined or 9% of the building face, in excess of the maximum allowed area. ESMC §15-18-8(B) allows “Freestanding Building Wall Signs” not to exceed 5% of each building face. Signs which exceed standards set forth in ESMC Chapter 15-18 require the approval of an Adjustment. Additionally, large signs greater than 500 square feet in area require City Council approval pursuant to ESMC §15-18-8(H).

The proposed project is exempt from additional California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analysis pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15311, which identifies the project as Class 11, on-premise signs. The project consists of the construction of minor structures (two on-premise signs) accessory to an existing commercial facility.

ACTION: Approved as amended (added one condition) (3-1).

I. Continued Business - Public Hearing

3. Environmental Assessment No. EA-781 and Subdivision No. 07-09

Address: 301- 305 W. Palm Avenue
Applicant(s): Countrywide Development (Tarek Ibrahim)
Property Owner(s): Ryan Barnhart, Derek Fowler

The Planning Division received an application for Vesting Tentative Map No. 68851 to combine two existing lots into one lot and construct a 7-unit condominium development on the newly created parcel at 301-305 W. Palm Avenue. The proposed project consists of two buildings each containing two-story units located over semi-subterranean garages. The project site is located in the Multi-Family Residential (R-3) Zone within the block bordered by Oak Avenue to the north, Palm Avenue to the south, Virginia Street to the west, and Main Street to the east.

The proposed project is categorically exempt from additional California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analysis pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15332 which identifies the project as a Class 32 infill development. The project is not anticipated to have any significant impacts with regard to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality. Moreover, the project is proposed to be built on a site of not more than five acres surrounded by urban uses. Further, the site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare, or threatened species. There are adequate utilities and public services to serve the project.

ACTION: Planning Commission adopted Resolution No. 2650 as amended (added one condition). Approved (4-0).

J. Report from Planning and Building Safety Director or designee

Director Carpenter stated that items will be scheduled for the upcoming February 26th and March 12th meetings.

K. Planning Commissioners' Comments

Commissioner Rotolo wished everyone a Happy Valentine Day.

L. Other Business

None.

M. Adjournment: 8:13 p.m.– Next regular meeting scheduled for February 26, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

NOTE: The related files are available for public review in the Planning Division, Monday through Thursday and alternating Fridays, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Agenda packets, including Staff Reports, are also available in the Planning Division beginning at 5:00 p.m. Friday of the week prior to the Planning Commission meeting.

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(Signature)

(Date/Time)