AGENDA 04/23/09
PLANNING COMMISSION
Regular Meeting

MEETING DATE:	Thursday, April 23, 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. Written materials distributed to the Planning Commission within 72 hours of the Planning Commission meeting are available for public inspection immediately upon distribution in the City Clerk's office.

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A. Call to Order

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

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 April 9, 2009, Planning Commission Meeting Minutes.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The recommended action is for the Planning Commission to approve the Minutes.

F. Call Items from Consent Calendar

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

H. New Business – Public Hearing

2. Environmental Assessment No. 834, Specific Plan Amendment No. 09-01, and Zone Text Amendment No. 09-01

Address: **All properties within the Downtown Specific Plan**
Applicant: **City of El Segundo**
Property Owners: **Various**

The proposed project amends the Downtown Specific Plan (DSP) Chapter VI. Development Standards involving all six Districts of the Downtown Specific Plan. The DSP adds temporary and permanent outdoor uses, including retail sales and outdoor dining and creates methods for paying parking in-lieu fees. The Downtown Specific Plan area encompasses the properties located on the 100 through 500 blocks of Main Street, the 100 through 200 blocks of Richmond Street, the west side of the 300 block of Richmond Street, a portion of the east side of the 300 block of Richmond Street, the lots fronting the 100 and 200 blocks of West Grand Avenue from Concord Street to Main Street, and a portion of the 100 block of East Grand Avenue from Main Street to the alley west of Standard Street.

The proposed project is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (Cal. Pub. Res. Code §§ 21000, *et seq.*; "CEQA") and CEQA regulations (Cal. Code Regs. Title 14, §§ 15000, *et seq*.) because it establishes, structures, and approves rates and charges to obtain funds for capital projects needed to maintain service within existing

service areas, and is therefore categorically exempt from further CEQA review under CEQA Regulations § 15273. Further, the proposed project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Regulations § 15305 as a Class 5 categorical exemption (Minor Alterations In Land Use Limitations) and pursuant to CEQA Regulations § 15311 as a Class 11 categorical exemption (Accessory Structures). The proposed project does not result in significant changes in land use or density and only involves the placement and use of permanent and temporary accessory structures, such as fencing, tables, chairs, umbrellas, and mobile sales units. The project is not anticipated to have any significant impacts on traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality. There are adequate utilities and public services to serve the project.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the Planning Commission (1) open the public hearing and take documentary and testimonial evidence; (2) after considering the evidence adopt Resolution No. 2654; and (3) discuss and take any other action related to this item.

I. Continued Business - Public Hearing

None.

J. Report from Planning and Building Safety Director or designee

K. Planning Commissioners' Comments

L. Other Business

Presentation regarding Aquatics Site Feasibility Study.

M. Adjournment – next meeting scheduled for April 23, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

NOTE: The related files are available for public review in the Planning Division, Monday through Thursday and alternating Fridays, between 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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