

**MANHATTAN BEACH
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
MAY 26, 2021**

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A Regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Manhattan Beach, California was held virtually via Zoom on the 26th day of May, 2021. Chair Morton called the meeting to order at the hour of 3:06 p.m.

B. PLEDGE TO FLAG

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Morton, Tokashiki, Thompson.
Absent: Vice Chair Fournier, Ungoco
Others Present: Carrie Tai, AICP, Director of Community Development
Talyn Mirzakhanian, Planning Manager
Athena Henderson, Agenda Host

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded (Thompson/Tokashiki) to approve the agenda.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Thompson, Tokashiki, Chair Morton
Noes: None
Absent: Vice Chair Fournier, Ungoco
Abstain: None

E. PRESENTATION

Commendations for outgoing Planning Commissioners Stewart Fournier and Richard Thompson

Chair Morton led the Commission and staff in recognizing outgoing Commissioners Fournier and Thompson, noting their individual accolades, for their service during their respective tenures as Planning Commissioners.

Outgoing Commissioner Thompson made brief comments thanking staff and his fellow Commissioners and expressing his appreciation for being able to serve the community.

F. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION - None

G. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

5/26/21-1 Regular Meeting – March 24, 2021

It was moved and seconded (Thompson/Morton) to approve as submitted.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Thompson and Chairperson Morton
Noes: None
Absent: Vice Chair Fournier, Ungoco
Abstain: Tokashiki

H. GENERAL BUSINESS

5/26/21-2 Discussion of Public Noticing Requirements

Planning Manager Talyn Mirzakhian provided the PowerPoint presentation covering public notification requirements and notification fees for a variety of types of development permits, and responded to Planning Commission questions. Chair Morton opened the floor to public comment; and seeing no requests to speak, closed the floor to public comments.

The Commission discussed this matter and by consensus concluded that no further action was warranted. The Commission, in reaching this conclusion considered many aspects of public notification including but not limited to: project magnitude, proximity of residential to commercial, timing and citizen concerns.

I. DIRECTOR’S ITEMS

Director Tai provided the following updates:

- 1. Projects reviewed by the Commission:
 - 600 S. Sepulveda, hotel/retail/offices: City Council voted to conditionally approve the revised plan; the Resolution of approval will be considered by the City Council on June 15.
 - Sunrise Assisted Living Facility Project: The project Draft EIR has been circulated for comments; after the comment period ends on June 4, staff will respond to comments and prepare the Final EIR. It is anticipated that the project application and Final EIR may be heard by the Commission in late July.
 - Kinecta building, MBB/Sepulveda: construction framing is underway.
- 2. COVID-19: City staff is collectively preparing for the anticipated lifting on June 15 of state-wide restrictions, citing some examples of changes: City Hall hours (open for walk-in service with appointments in the afternoons) and downtown dining parklets (City Council has agreed to a Labor Day deadline for most parklets). Community Development staff is working with restaurant owners who have outdoor dining permits. The next Planning Commission on June 9 will still be held via ZOOM.

J. PLANNING COMMISSION ITEMS – Commissioner Thompson encouraged residents and guests to visit the new Manhattan Village Mall.

K. TENTATIVE AGENDA – June 9, 2021 - Director Tai noted that no items are currently scheduled.

L. ADJOURNMENT TO – It was moved and seconded (Thompson/Tokashiki) that the meeting be adjourned at 3:58 p.m. to Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom/virtual format. The motion passed unanimously 3-0 with a roll call vote (Ayes: Morton, Thompson, Ungoco).

ROSEMARY LACKOW
Recording Secretary

GERRY MORTON
Chairperson

ATTEST:

Carrie Tai, AICP
Community Development Director