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the RPC on 12/03/2025
Prepared by: Elida Luna**

MINUTES

Meeting Place: In-Person: 320 W. Temple Street, Room 150, Los Angeles, CA 90012 Virtual (Online): <https://bit.ly/ZOOM-RPC> Webinar ID: 858 6032 6429 Or call by phone: (669) 444-9171 or (719) 359-4580

Meeting Date: October 15, 2025 - Wednesday Time: 9:03 a.m.

Present: Commissioners, Louie, O'Connor, Moon, Hastings

Absent: Commissioner Duarte-White

Ex Officio Members:

Director of Public Works: Ms. Pheonix Khoury, Senior Civil Engineer

County Counsel: Ms. Kathy Park, Deputy County Counsel

Planning Director: Mr. Ed Rojas, Assistant Deputy Director, Advance Planning Division

Planning Director: Mr. Mitch Glaser, Assistant Deputy Director, Current Planning Division

Forester and Fire Warden: Mr. Juan Padilla, Supervising Fire Prevention Engineer

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

1. The Land Acknowledgment Statement was led by Chair Louie representing the Second District. The County of Los Angeles recognizes that we occupy land originally and still inhabited and cared for by the Tongva, Tataviam, Serrano, Kizh, and Chumash Peoples. We honor and pay respect to their elders and descendants -- past, present, and emerging -- as they continue their stewardship of these lands and waters. We acknowledge that settler colonization resulted in land seizure, disease, subjugation, slavery, relocation, broken promises, genocide, and multigenerational trauma. This acknowledgment demonstrates our responsibility and commitment to truth, healing, and reconciliation and to elevating the stories, culture, and community of the original inhabitants of Los Angeles County. We are grateful to have the opportunity to live and work on these ancestral lands. We are dedicated to growing and sustaining relationships with Native peoples and local tribal governments, including (in no particular order) the: Fernandeno Tataviam Band of Mission Indians, Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California Tribal Council, Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians, Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians - Kizh Nation, San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, San Fernando Band of Mission Indians. To learn more about the First Peoples of Los Angeles County, please visit the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission website at lanaic.lacounty.gov.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Louie representing the Second Supervisorial District.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. Motion/seconded by Commissioners Moon/Hastings – That the agenda for October 15, 2025, be approved.

At the direction of the Chair, the agenda was approved with Commissioners Moon, Hastings, Louie, O'Connor in favor and Commissioner Duarte-White being recorded as absent.

COUNTY COUNSEL REPORT

4. County Counsel stated for the record that while this is an online meeting, it is a public meeting the same as if it were held in person in the Commission's hearing room and rules that allow for an orderly meeting shall apply. As such, when speaking on an agenda item, comments should address the item on the agenda and no other issues.

Similarly, if speaking during public comment, comments should be limited to issues related to the business of the Regional Planning Commission.

If speakers do not remain on topic, they may be reminded by the Chair or myself to do so. Failure to discuss issues not related to the agenda item, may result in the loss of the right to speak on the item or other items, if directed by the Chair. In addition, speakers should refrain from conduct that is disruptive of the meeting. Doing so also could result in the loss of the right to speak on the agenda item or any other items.

Disruptive conduct can include, but is not limited to, threats made against other speakers, the Commission or its members, or any others participating in the meeting, profane comments not related to the agenda item, or disorderly or contemptuous behavior leading to a disruption of the orderly progression and holding of the meeting.

In such cases, the Chair will advise that the behavior is disruptive and direct that the speaker's microphone be disabled. That person may, however, continue to observe the meeting. Further, disruptive behavior communicated to the panelists of the meeting, which include the Commission and County staff, may result in the removal of that person from the meeting by disconnecting them from the online connection.

DIRECTOR/DEPUTY DIRECTOR

5. There were no reports given by Assistant Deputy Director.
- 5(b). **RPC Special No. RPPL2025003223. Presenter: Alejandra Rios, Regional Planner. General Plan Tune-Up Program. A request to initiate the General Plan Tune-Up Program. The scope of the project focuses on correcting inconsistencies and errors in the LA County General Plan to ensure clarity, accuracy, and legal compliance.**

DIRECTOR/DEPUTY DIRECTOR (Cont.)

Report by Alejandra Rios, a Regional Planner with the Advance Planning section provided an overview requesting the Commission to formally initiate a General Plan Tune-Up Program, aimed at addressing technical errors, policy inconsistencies, and outdated information in the Los Angeles County's General Plan, which was last comprehensively updated in 2015. This program will establish a structured, routine process for staff to make administrative corrections, clarify language, update maps and data, and align policies with current County practices and state regulations. The program is expected to follow a one-year timeline, culminating in a public review in the Fall of 2025 and public hearing in spring 2026, followed by a BOS public hearing in the Summer final adoption targeted for Fall 2026.

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Motion/seconded by Commissioners Hastings/Moon – That the Regional Planning Commission Instruct the Department of Regional Planning to initiate periodic targeted revisions to the General Plan to correct inconsistencies, errors, and outdated information.

After discussion, at the direction of the Chair, the item passed with Commissioners O'Connor, Moon, Louie, Hastings, in favor and Commissioner Duarte-White being recorded as absent.

5(a). RPC Special No. RPPL2025003574. Presenter: Ed Rojas, Assistant Deputy Director Advance Planning. A report on the Eaton Fire Disaster Interim Ordinance.

The Director of Planning provided an overview of the Department's Disaster Recovery Efforts. On January 7, 2025, the Board of Supervisors declared a Local Emergency, which was followed by the Presidential Major Disaster Declaration issued by President Biden. The LACo OEM established nine Task Forces to lead and coordinate County Recovery efforts. Under the County's adopted Disaster Recovery Ordinance, it requires the Director to enact it based on a declaration of disaster, enabling property owners to rebuild "like-for-like" and allowing temporary housing on affected lots.

On February 10, 2025, the Department's Internal Disaster Recovery Team launched to assist fire survivors in unincorporated communities. Permitting processes were revamped and a new multi-department One-Stop Permit Center system was launched to streamline rebuild submissions. On April 1, 2025, the Board adopted the Parking Lot and Vacant Lot Activation Projects throughout Altadena for up to five years to assist with disaster recovery and economic developments.

By mid-year debris removal was substantially completed and the Department tracked a growing volume of rebuild applications while reducing average review times. The nine task forces were consolidated into a single "consolidated task force" which now meets bi-weekly to oversee hundreds of recovery projects. The Director stated that looking ahead, the Department projects a five-to-ten-year timeline for full recovery, with the dedicated rebuild infrastructure continuing for the duration.

DIRECTOR/DEPUTY DIRECTOR (Cont.)

Following the presentation, the Director introduced Mr. Rojas, who provided an overview of the Eaton Fire Disaster Interim Ordinance.

Mr. Ed Rojas, Assistant Deputy Director of Advance Planning, reported on the Eaton Fire Disaster Interim Ordinance and a general update on the rebuilding process. The Board of Supervisors adopted the Interim Ordinance on September 2, 2025. A public hearing before the Board of Supervisors had been scheduled for October 7, 2025, to extend the Interim Ordinance to August 2026. The Interim Ordinance amends zoning requirements to support disaster recovery in unincorporated areas affected by the Eaton Fire, including streamlined permitting for properties that suffered irreparable damage or destruction. The Interim Ordinance provides more flexibility for disaster rebuild projects, establishes a framework to allow specific temporary uses that supports disaster recovery, and establishes a Disaster Recovery Permit for disaster rebuild projects that includes reduced fees and an expedited procedure to modify certain development standards.

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After discussion, at the direction of the Chair, with no further questions for staff, the Commissioners accepted the update.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

6. Motion/seconded by Commissioners Moon/Hastings – That the minutes for September 10, 2025, be approved.

At the direction of the Chair, the minutes were approved with Commissioners Moon, Hastings, Louie, in favor and Commissioner Duarte-White being recorded as absent and Commissioner O'Connor being recorded as abstaining.

ADMISSION PROCEDURES

Staff announced if you are joining us via telephone and want to provide comment on any of the agenda items, please send an email to comment@planning.lacounty.gov and provide the agenda item number, your first name, your last name, your email address, your phone number, and indicate if you are the applicant or not the applicant

All participants' microphones will be muted during the meeting unless you have signed up to provide comment. If you have signed up to provide comment, your microphone will be unmuted when it is time for you to speak, and staff will call your name.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Metro Development Services

Action Taken as Noted

7. **(Continued without opening the public hearing from 10/8/25). Project No. PRJ2022-001925-(1). Conditional Use Permit No. RPPL2022005832. Planner: Evan Sahagun. Applicant: Wil Nieves. 4501 Whittier Boulevard, Unit C. Metro Planning Area. To authorize the sale of alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, and distilled spirits) for off-site consumption, with a change from a Type 20 California Department of Alcohol Beverage Control ("ABC") License to a Type 21 ABC License, at an existing meat market in the C-3 (General Commercial) Zone. This project is categorically exempt (Class 1 – Existing Facilities) pursuant to CEQA reporting requirements.**

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Motion/seconded by Commissioners Hastings/Moon – That the Regional Planning Commission continue Conditional Use Permit No. RPPL2022005832, without opening the public hearing, to October 22, 2025.

At the direction of the Chair, the item was continued to Wednesday, October 22, 2025.

Metro Development Services

Action Taken as Noted

8. **(Continued without opening the public hearing from 10/8/25). Project No. PRJ2023-003768-(2). Conditional Use Permit No. RPPL2023003810. Planner: Evan Sahagun. Applicant: Liliger Damaso. 4417 Lennox Boulevard. South Bay Planning Area. To authorize the sale of alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, and distilled spirits) for off-site consumption, with a change from a Type 20 California Department of Alcohol Beverage Control ("ABC") License to a Type 21 ABC License, at an existing grocery market in the C-2 (Neighborhood Commercial) Zone. This project is categorically exempt (Class 1 – Existing Facilities) pursuant to CEQA reporting requirements.**

Staff presented the staff report with testimony being followed by the applicants Harmail Singh, Narinder Singh, Jassi Starleaf and representative, Liliger Damaso, in support of the project. With no members of the public present in person or virtually in opposition, no rebuttal was required.

The Commission then engaged in discussion regarding the applicants' request to modify Conditions Nos. 20, 34 and 36, during which staff addressed the Commissioners' questions. After further discussion, between the Commission, Staff and the applicants, the applicants indicated their intent to withdraw the CUP application.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Cont.)

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Motion/seconded by Commissioners Louie/Moon – That the item be continued to Wednesday, October 22, 2025, to provide Staff to formally receive the withdrawal request.

At the direction of the Chair, the item was continued to Wednesday, October 22, 2025

Metro Development Services

Action Taken as Noted

9. **(Note: Application has been withdrawn). Project No. PRJ2022-003456-(1). Conditional Use Permit No. RPPL2022010575. Planner: Pauline Monroy. Applicant: Atlantic Petroleum. 301 South Atlantic Boulevard. Metro Planning Area. To authorize the sale of beer and wine for off-site consumption (Type 20 California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control License) at an existing convenience store in the TOD (3rd Street) Transect Zone of the East Los Angeles Third Street Specific Plan.**

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At the direction of the Chair, with no further questions for staff, the Commissioners accepted that the applicant withdrew their application.

PUBLIC COMMENT

10. **Public comment pursuant to Section 54954.3 of the Government Code.**

There were no requests by members of the public to address the Commission.

CONTINUATION OF REPORTS

11. **Possible Call for Review of Decisions by Hearing Officer, pursuant to Section 22.240.010.B of the Los Angeles County Code.**

There were no items Called up for Review by the Commission.

12. **Commission/Counsel/Director Reports**

There were no reports given by Commission/Counsel/Director.

- 12(a). Motion/seconded by Commissioners Hastings/Moon – That the Regional Planning Commission cancel the Wednesday November 5, 2025, and November 12, 2025, meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

A recording of the testimony received and the discussions held at this meeting and a copy of all findings and resolutions acted upon by the Commission are on file in the Department of Regional Planning.

The Commission adjourned at 10:57 a.m. to Wednesday, October 22, 2025.

Elida Luna, Commission Secretary

ATTEST

APPROVE

David Louie, Chair

Ed Rojas, Assistant Deputy Director
Advance Planning Division

David Louie, Chair

Mitch Glaser, Assistant Deputy Director
Current Planning Division