

MINUTES

**DRAFT – Until Approved by
RPC December 11, 2024
Prepared by:
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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: November 6, 2024 - Wednesday Time: 9:27 a.m.

Present: Commissioners Duarte-White, Louie, O'Connor, Moon, Hastings

Ex Officio Members:

Director of Public Works: Mr. Jose Suarez, Senior Civil Engineer

County Counsel: Ms. Kathy Park, Deputy County Counsel

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

Ms. Susie Tae, Assistant Deputy Director, Current Planning Division

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Motion/seconded by Commissioners Duarte-White/Hastings – That the agenda for November 6, 2024, be approved.

At the direction of the Chair, the agenda was approved unanimously.

COUNTY COUNSEL REPORT

2. 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 agendized 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 agendized 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.

COUNTY COUNSEL REPORT (Cont.)

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

3. There were no reports given by Director/Deputy Director.

Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)

- 3(a). **RPC Special No. RPPL2024004010. Presenter: Sarah Jepson, Chief Planning Officer, Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). A presentation by Sara Jepson on the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, known as Connect SoCal. Connect SoCal is a long-range regional transportation plan developed by SCAG, covering the Counties in the SCAG Region (Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, and Imperial County). The presentation will cover Connect SoCal's strategies, funding, and relevance to LA County.**

Ms. Sarah Jepson, Chief Planning Officer for the Southern California Association of Governments provided a presentation on the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, known as Connect SoCal 2024. Connect SoCal 2024 is a long-range regional transportation plan developed by SCAG, covering the counties in the SCAG Region. The plan documents existing conditions, outlines strategies to accommodate growth, and helps public agencies coordinate transportation projects across the SCAG region.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

4. Motion/seconded by Commissioners Louie/Hastings – That the minutes for October 9, 2024, be approved.

At the direction of the Chair, the minutes were approved unanimously.

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

ADMISSION PROCEDURES (Cont.)

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 HEARINGSPuente Whittier Development ServicesAction Taken as Noted

5. **(Recommended to be continued without opening the public hearing to December 18, 2024). Project No. PRJ2023-001163-(1). Conditional Use Permit RPPL2024000241. Planner: Carl Nadela. Applicant: Athens Services. 15045 Salt Lake Avenue. East San Gabriel Valley Planning Area. To authorize a new Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) fueling station at an existing solid waste truck yard and storage facility in the M-1-BE (Light Industrial - Billboard Exclusion) Zone. This project is categorically exempt (Class 1 - Existing Facilities and Class 3 - New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) pursuant to CEQA reporting requirements.**

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Motion/seconded by Commissioners O'Connor/Moon – That the Regional Planning Commission continue Conditional Use Permit No. RPPL2024000241 without opening the public hearing to December 18, 2024.

At the direction of the Chair, the item was continued to Wednesday, December 18, 2024.

SubdivisionsProject Approved

6. **Project No. PRJ2023-004310-(2). Tentative Parcel Map No. 84356 (RPPL2023006265). Planner: Alejandrina Baldwin. Applicant: Kenny Hostetler. 19500 South Rancho Way. Gateway Planning Area. A reversion to acreage of an existing industrial lot with 23 attached commercial/industrial condominium units to create one industrial lot on 3.6 gross acres, within the M-2-IP (Heavy Industrial - Industrial Preservation) Zone. This project is categorically exempt (Class 5 - Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations and Class 15 - Minor Land Divisions) pursuant to CEQA reporting requirements.**

Staff presented the staff report with testimony being followed by the applicant, Mr. Michael Gazzano, in support of the project. No members of the public were present in opposition, no rebuttal was required. There was further discussion by the Commission and Staff addressed the Commissions questions.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Cont.)

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Motion/seconded by Commissioners Louie/Duarte-White – That the Regional Planning Commission close the public hearing and find that the project is categorically exempt pursuant to state and local CEQA guidelines.

Motion/seconded by Commissioners Louie/Duarte-White – That the Regional Planning Commission approve Tentative Parcel Map No. 84356 subject to the findings and conditions including Staff's recommended additions to the findings and conditions.

At the direction of the Chair, the item passed unanimously. The appeal period for this item ends on November 18, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENT

7. 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

8. 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.

9. Commission/Counsel/Director Reports

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

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 10:18 a.m. to Wednesday, November 13, 2024.

Elida Luna, Commission Secretary

ATTEST

APPROVE

Pamela O'Connor, Chair

Ed Rojas, Assistant Deputy Director
Advance Planning Division

Pamela O'Connor, Chair

Susie Tae, Assistant Deputy Director
Current Planning Division