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DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PLANNING & LAND USE COMMITTEE VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 20, 2022 – 6:30 PM

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Please note that we are asking presenters to limit their presentations to 15 minutes for a development project and 10 minutes for CUB or other items.

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1. Call to Order at 6:45pm / Roll Call

Ryan Afari – Chair	Present
Patti Berman	Present
Tyler Murphy	Present
Jim Sarratori	Absent
Cody Nowak	Present
Reeyan Raynes	Present
John Swartz	Present
Simon Ha	Present
Tonja Boykin	Present
Audrey von Ahrens	Present
Samir Bitar	Present

2. Committee Member Introductions

3. Approve Minutes from 8/2022

Presented by: Patti Berman

Seconded by: Tonja Boykin

Ryan Afari – Chair	Yes
Patti Berman	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Jim Sarratori	Absent
Cody Nowak	Yes
Reeyan Raynes	Yes
John Swartz	Yes
Simon Ha	Abstain
Tonja Boykin	Yes
Audrey von Ahrens	Yes
Samir Bitar	Abstain

Vote Count: Yes: 8; No: 0; Abstention: 2; Absent: 1; Recused: 0

OUTCOME: Motion Passes

4. Report on last DLANC Board Meeting concerning items presented by PLUC.

5. Presentation by Veena Snehansh concerning changes to DTLA 2040.

6. Declarations of Ex Parte communications

7. General Public Comment - The public is requested dial *9, when prompted by the presiding officer, to address the Committee on any agenda item before the Committee takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Committee’s jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Committee is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period: however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Committee meeting. Public comments are limited to two minutes per speaker with a total time of ten minutes. (The chair, depending on number of speakers and time considerations, may

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change these parameters.)

- 8. Committee Member Comments – Committee members are asked to keep their comments brief and relevant to the topic or project being discussed. Committee member comments will be limited to two minutes and all committee members will be given the opportunity to make a comment before additional comments are provided by committee members.
- 9. Old Business
None
- 10. New Business
 - a. Presentation by: Jim Pugh

Case Numbers: **ZA-2022-5068 ZA-2022-5069 ZA-2022-5072 ZA-2022-5073 ZA-2022-5074 ZA-2022-5075 ZA-2022-5076 ZA-2022-5079 ZA-2022-5080 ZA-2022-5081 ZA-2022-5083 ZA-2022-5084**

Project Location: 1260 S. Figueroa

Project Description: The project is Plan Approval for 12 tenant spaces that were previously approved under a Master CUP for service of alcoholic beverages, live entertainment, and public dancing. The tenant spaces are in two hotels, which are the AC and Moxy, that are located within the constructed high-rise tower at the intersection of Figueroa and Pico across the street from the Los Angeles Convention Center. The 12 tenant spaces will be operated by 2 well know hospitality operators, including Marriot and Houston’s Hospitality. The tenant spaces will be covered by two Type 47 ABC licenses.

Project Requests: Plan Approvals pursuant to Section 12.24.M of the Los Angeles Municipal Code and consistent with the master CUP already approved by the City in related case CPC-2016-2695-DA-CU-MCUP-CUX-SPR. The request before DLANC is simply to support the plan approvals that implement the master conditional use permit.

Recommended action: The Planning and Land Use Committee recommends that DLANC submit a letter of support for the Applicant’s request in Planning Case No ZA-2022-5068; ZA-2022-5069; ZA-2022-5072; ZA-2022-5073; ZA-2022-5074; ZA-2022-5075; ZA-2022-5076; ZA-2022-5079; ZA-2022-5080; ZA-2022-5081; ZA-2022-5083; ZA-2022-5084 and additionally support the Applicant’s request to waive the Plan Approval hearing. Support is conditioned on the following: (a) Owner/Operator will come back and present to PLUC should owner/operator change; (b) Any amplified or outdoor noise shall be mitigated such that it will remain in compliance with the LA Noise Ordinance.

Presented by: Reeyan Raynes

Seconded by: Cody Nowak

Ryan Afari – Chair	Recused ¹
Patti Berman	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Jim Sarratori	Absent
Cody Nowak	Yes
Reeyan Raynes	Yes
John Swartz	Yes
Simon Ha	Recused ²
Tonja Boykin	Absent ³
Audrey von Ahrens	Yes
Samir Bitar	Yes

¹Ryan recuses due to contract negotiations within vicinity of the project.

²Simon recuses as part of project team

³Tonja left the meeting at 7:43om due to emergency evacuation at building.

Vote Count: Yes: 7; No: 0; Abstention: 0; Absent: 2; Recused: 2

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- b. Discussion and possible action to submit a CIS on [CF 22-0617](#): Downtown Los Angeles Community Plan Update / 2040

No action taken.

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12. Committee Member Comments and Announcements
13. Proposed delivery dates – Motions, Letters and Minutes 10/1/2022
14. Next Meeting(s) 10/18/2022 and 11/15/2022
15. Adjournment at 8:15pm

Presented by: Reeyan Raynes

Seconded by: John Swartz