

**HARBOR AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2019 AFTER 4:30 P.M.
HARBOR COMMISSION BOARD ROOM
425 SOUTH PALOS VERDES STREET, 2ND FLOOR
SAN PEDRO, CA 90731**

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POLICY FOR DESIGNATED PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

Pursuant to the Commission's general operating procedures, the Commission at times must necessarily limit the speaking times of those presenting testimony on either side of an issue that is designated as a public hearing item. In all instances, however, equal time is allowed for presentation of pros and cons of matters to be acted upon. All requests to address the Commission on public hearing items must be submitted prior to the Commission's consideration of the item. **EVERY PERSON WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION MUST COMPLETE A SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM AND SUBMIT IT TO THE COMMISSION STAFF.**

Written submissions are governed by Rule 4.3 of the Harbor Area Planning Commission Rules and Operating Procedures. All submissions within 48 hours of the meeting, including the day of meeting are limited to two (2) written pages, including exhibits and must include the case and agenda item number on the cover or first page. Photographs do not count toward the page limitation. Electronic submissions will not be accepted within this time period. Twelve (12) copies of the submission must be submitted to the Commission Executive Assistant prior to the start of the hearing who will distribute them to the Commission.

Submissions that do not comply with these rules will be stamped "**File Copy. Non-complying Submission.**" Non-complying submissions will be placed into the official case file, but they will not be delivered to or considered by the Commission, and will not be included in the official administrative record for the item at issue.

The Commission may RECONSIDER and alter its action taken on items listed herein at any time during this meeting or during the next regular meeting, in accordance with the Commission Policies and Procedures and provided that the Commission retains jurisdiction over the case. If a Commission meeting is cancelled or adjourned due to lack of quorum, all remaining items shall be continued to the next regular meeting date or beyond, as long as the continuance is within the legal time limits of the case or cases.

Sign language, interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or other services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request no later than **7 days** prior to the meeting by calling the Commission Executive Assistant at (213) 978-1299 or by e-mail at apcharbor@lacity.org.

If you challenge these agenda items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at this public hearing, or in written correspondence on these matters delivered to this agency at or prior to the public hearing. If you seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section must be filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which the City's decision became final pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure section 1094.6. There may be other time limits which also affect your ability to seek judicial review.

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Agendas, Draft and Adopted Minutes are available on line at <http://planning.lacity.org>, by selecting "Commissions & Hearings", "Harbor", "Agendas" under the specific meeting date. The Draft Minutes under Item 1 will also be available on the day of the meeting. Meeting Minutes are also available to the public at the Commission Office, 200 North Spring Street, Room 272, Los Angeles, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Información en español acerca de esta junta puede ser obtenida llamando al (213) 978-1300

1. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS**

- Election of Officers
- Items of Interest
- Advance Calendar
- Commission Requests
- Approval of Meeting Minutes – March 19, 2019

2. **NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

Presentation by Neighborhood Council representatives on any neighborhood council resolution, or community impact statement filed with the City Clerk, which relates to any agenda item listed or being considered on this agenda.

3. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Commission shall provide an opportunity in open meetings for the public to address it **on non-agenda items**, for a cumulative total of up to thirty (30) minutes, on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission.

PERSONS WISHING TO SPEAK MUST SUBMIT A SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM. ALL REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC THAT ARE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMMISSION MUST BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

4. **RECONSIDERATIONS**

- a. **MOTIONS TO RECONSIDER** - The Commission may make a motion to reconsider a Commission Action on any agenda items from its previous meeting, consistently with the Commission Rule 9.3, provided the Commission retains jurisdiction over the matter.
- b. **MERITS OF ANY ITEM THE COMMISSION HAS VOTED TO RECONSIDER** - If a majority of the Commission has approved a motion to reconsider a Commission Action, the Commission may address the merits of the original Commission Action.

5. [ZA-2018-3516-CU-CUB-ZAA-1A](#)
CEQA: ENV-2018-3517-CE
Plan Area: San Pedro

Council District: 15 - Buscaino
Last Day to Act: 08-06-19

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: 524 – 544 South Pacific Avenue; 488 – 494 West 6th Street

PROPOSED PROJECT:

Construction of a 54,030 square-foot, 7-story, 75-foot high, 80-room hotel with ground floor restaurant and rooftop restaurant/bar with 56 parking spaces and live entertainment.

The Commission may consider, determine base on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Class, 32, Article 19, Section 15332 (In-Fill Development Projects), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.

APPEAL:

A partial appeal of the April 30, 2019, Zoning Administrator's determination which denied, pursuant to the Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.28 A, a Zoning Administrator's Adjustment to allow a 19 percent increase in density for a hotel totaling 80 guest rooms in lieu of the maximum 67 allowed in the C2-2D-CPIO Zone.

Applicant/

Appellants: Youssef Merhi, 544 Pacific LLC
Representative: Spencer B. Kallick, Glaser Weil, LLP

Staff: Theodore Irving, Associate Zoning Administrator

The next regular meeting of the Harbor Area Planning Commission
will be held at **4:30 p.m.** on **Tuesday, August 20, 2019** at

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