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MEMORANDUM

August 22, 1996



TO: Coastal Commissioners and Interested Parties

FROM: South Coast District Staff

SUBJECT: Coastal Commission meeting of September 12, 1996, Thursday, Item 14.a.
Request to extend the 90 day time limit for action on City of Dana Point Local Coastal Program Amendment 1-96

On June 20, 1996, South Coast District Staff ("staff") received local coastal program ("LCP") amendment request 1-96 from the City of Dana Point ("City"). Under the proposed LCP amendment, the applicable portions of the Land Use, Urban Design, and Conservation/Open Space Elements of the City's General Plan and the applicable portions of the City's Zoning Code would replace the existing certified South Laguna Specific Plan/Local Coastal Program and would constitute the LCP for the currently uncertified portion of the City known as Laguna Niguel/Monarch Beach.

On July 2, 1996, staff notified the City that the submittal was incomplete and additional information was needed. On July 10, 1996, the City submitted the requested information. Pursuant to Section 30510(b) of the Coastal Act and Section 13553 of the California Code of Regulations, the submittal was deemed to be in proper order for filing as of July 10, 1996.

Pursuant to Section 30514 of the Coastal Act, an LCP amendment must be acted on by the Commission within 90 days after the amendment has been deemed to be in proper order for filing. The amendment request thus would have to be scheduled for hearing at the current September 10-13, 1996 Commission meeting. Section 30517 of the Coastal Act allows the Commission to extend, for good cause, the 90 day time limit for a period not to exceed one year. Staff is requesting this extension to allow additional time to review the proposed amendment. City staff has been consulted and does not object to this extension request.

SUMMARY OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission extend the 90 day time limit for a period not to exceed one year.

MOTION:

I move that the Commission extend the 90 day time limit to act on the City of Dana Point Local Coastal Program Amendment 1-96 for a period not to exceed one year.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends a **YES** vote. An affirmative vote of a majority of the Commissioners present is needed to pass the motion.

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