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**MEMORANDUM****TO:** Commissioners and Interested Persons**FROM:** Peter Douglas, Executive Director  
Charles Damm, Deputy Director, South Coast District  
Pam Emerson, Los Angeles Area Supervisor  
Charles Posner, Staff Analyst**SUBJECT:** Concurrence with the Executive Director's determination that the actions of the City of Manhattan Beach accepting certification with suggested modifications of Amendment No. 2-97 to the implementing ordinances (LIP) of the City of Manhattan Beach certified Local Coastal Program (LCP), are legally adequate. (For Commission review at the December 9-12, 1997 meeting in San Francisco.)**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Commission concur with the Executive Director's determination that the City's action is legally adequate.

**BACKGROUND**

On August 12, 1997, the Coastal Commission certified with suggested modifications an amendment to the implementing ordinances (LIP) of the certified City of Manhattan Beach LCP. The LCP was originally certified in 1994. The Commission's certification of LCP Amendment No. 2-97, as modified, approves the changes contained in City Council Ordinance No. 1961. City Council Ordinance No. 1961 contains numerous changes to the City's development regulations and definitions including: new sign regulations, revised Coastal Development Permit appeal procedures, and new procedures for waiving the public hearing requirements for minor developments.

On September 16, 1997, the Manhattan Beach City Council adopted the applicable modifications to City Council Ordinance No. 1961 incorporating the Coastal Commission's suggested modifications to LCP Amendment No. 2-97. The City has submitted City Council Resolution No. 5350 and Ordinance No. 1971 which incorporate LCP Amendment No. 2-97, as modified by the Commission's August 12, 1997 action, into the LIP portion of the certified LCP. In addition, the City also submitted a letter (dated October 21, 1997) which corrects a minor typographical error discovered in Section A-96.080 of the modified LIP.

As provided in Section 13544 of the California Code of Regulations, the Executive Director must determine that the City's action is legally adequate and report that determination to the Commission. In this case, the Executive Director has determined that the City's action is legally adequate. Unless the Commission objects to the Executive Director's determination, the certification of Amendment No. 2-97 to the City of Manhattan Beach LCP implementing ordinances (LIP) shall become effective upon the filing of the required notice of certification with the Secretary of Resources as provided in Public Resources Code Section 21080.5(d)(2)(V).

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