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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Commissioners and Interested Persons

**FROM:** Peter Douglas, Executive Director  
Deborah Lee, Deputy Director  
Pam Emerson, Los Angeles County Area Supervisor  
Charles Posner, Staff Analyst

**SUBJECT:** Concurrence with the Executive Director's determination that the action of the City of Long Beach accepting certification with suggested modifications of City of Long Beach LCP Amendment No. 2-98A is legally adequate. (For Commission review at its January 12-15, 1999 meeting in Culver City.)

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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

**BACKGROUND**

On April 20, 1998, the City of Long Beach submitted a request to amend the LUP and LIP portions of the City of Long Beach LCP. The LCP amendment request would amend the Queensway Bay Development Plan and the use and development standards for Planned Development District No. 6 (PD-6) to: revise protected view corridors, increase height limits, reduce the maximum number of hotel rooms, and increase the total amount of commercial square footage.

On August 13, 1998, the Commission approved Amendment No. 2-98A to the LIP and LUP portions of the City of Long Beach LCP with suggested modifications. The Commission's suggested modifications, which affect only the LIP portion of the LCP, require the protection of specific view corridors, public access and public open space areas, and make the LIP height limits more specific.

On November 10, 1998, the Long Beach City Council adopted Ordinance No. C-7575 incorporating the suggested modifications into LCP Amendment No. 2-98A. On December 8, 1998, the City submitted Ordinance No. C-7575 for review by the Executive Director.

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. 2-98A to the City of Long Beach LCP 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).