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DATE: November 20, 2003



TO:

Commissioners and

Interested Persons

FROM:

Staff

SUBJECT:

Request to Waive Time Limit for City of Encinitas LCP Amendment No. 2-03

(Johnson/Fullwood) for the Commission Meeting of December 10-12, 2003

On October 2, 2003, the City of Encinitas Local Coastal Program (LCP) amendment #2-03 was filed in the San Diego District office. The amendment involves changing land use and zoning for two separate sites, one from General Commercial to Residential 11 and the other from Public/Semi Public to General Commercial. The proposed amendment will affect both the certified LCP land use plan and implementation plan.

Pursuant to Section 30512 of the Coastal Act, the Commission must act on land use plan amendments within 90 days of complete submittal or filing. Pursuant to Section 30513 of the Coastal Act, the Commission must act on implementation plan amendments within 60 days of filing. Amendments containing both land use and implementation plan components, must be acted upon by the Commission within 90 days of filing. Based on the above-cited time limits, the proposed LCP amendment must be scheduled for review by the Commission at the December 10-12, 2003 meeting. However, Section 30517 of the Coastal Act and Section 13535(c) of the California Code of Regulations state that the Commission may extend for good cause any applicable time limits for a period not to exceed one year.

Commission staff is requesting the time extension due to insufficient staff time to adequately review the amendment and prepare a recommendation. In addition, the City has indicated the item could be postponed until the January 2004 hearing in Laguna Beach, to allow for a southern California meeting location.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>. Staff recommends the Commission extend the 90-day time limit for a period not to exceed one year. However, it is anticipated that the amendment request will be scheduled for the January 2004 hearing in Laguna Beach.

MOTION:

I move that the Commission extend the 90-day time limit to act on the City of Encinitas LCP Amendment No. 2-03 for a period not to exceed one year.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends a <u>YES</u> vote. An affirmative vote of the majority of the Commissioners present is needed to pass the motion.