

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Commissioners and
Interested Persons

DATE: May 21, 2003

FROM: Staff

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SUBJECT: Request to Waive Time Limit for City Council Action on Suggested Modifications to San Diego LCP Amendment No. 1-02A (La Jolla LUP Update) for Commission Meeting of June 11-13, 2003

On February 5, 2003, the Commission approved with suggested modifications San Diego LCP Amendment No. 1-02A which included a comprehensive update to the La Jolla Community Plan and LCP Land Use Plan (LUP). There were a total of 63 suggested modifications.

Pursuant to Sections 13537 and 13542 of the Code of Regulations, the Commission's certification with suggested modifications of San Diego LCP Amendment No. 1-02A expires six months from the date of Commission action. This means that the City Council action to adopt the suggested modifications must occur by August 5, 2003. However, pursuant to Section 13535, the Commission may for good cause extend a time limit for a period not to exceed one year, after consultation with the local government and by a majority vote of the Commissioners present.

In this particular case, given the fairly extensive number of suggested modifications involved, the City has requested that the six-month time limit be extended to allow the City enough time to review and assess the suggested modifications with the various organizations and community planning groups. The City has been diligently working towards adoption of the suggested modifications for the LCP but has indicated that due to a number of community meetings planned, etc., that a time extension would allow this effort to be completed. The City anticipates several more meetings and a public discussion with a local community planning group. There is not sufficient time for all of the required local public hearings to occur within the six-month timeframe.

In addition, due to several revisions that were made to the suggested modifications at the Commission meeting regarding this LCP amendment, Commission staff anticipates that revised findings will be necessary. Therefore:

Summary of Staff Recommendation. Staff recommends the Commission extend the six-month time limit for a period not to exceed one year, i.e. to February 5, 2004.

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MOTION:

I move that the Commission extend the six-month time limit for the City Council to adopt the suggested modifications to San Diego LCP Amendment No. 1-02A for a period not to exceed one year.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

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

(SD LCP 1-02A LJ LUP Time Ext.doc)



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COASTAL COMMISSION
SAN DIEGO COAST DISTRICT

Dear Ms. Sarb:

Subject: City of San Diego Local Coastal Program (LCP) Amendment No. 1-02A

The purpose of this letter is to request an extension of the time by which the San Diego City Council must consider the proposed modifications to the above-referenced LCP amendment.

City of San Diego LCP Amendment No. 1-02A is a comprehensive update to the La Jolla Community Plan and Local Coastal Program Land Use Plan. The Coastal Commission approved the LCP Amendment with modifications on February 5, 2003. The number of modifications is fairly extensive and there is a high level of interest in this Plan from the community. While City staff has been working with various organizations in the community to review and assess the suggested modifications, the time extension would allow this effort to be completed. We anticipate several more meetings and a public discussion with the La Jolla Community Planning Association prior to the City Council taking action. City staff is hopeful that an understanding of the modifications can be reached that will allow the LCP amendment to proceed to City Council.

Based on the February 5, 2003 Coastal Commission approval, the City Council must accept the suggested modifications by August 5, 2003 in order for the LCP Amendment (and updated Community Plan) to become effective. The City of San Diego would like to request a 6 month extension on this time frame (to February 5, 2004) to complete its analysis prior to the City Council taking action to accept or reject the suggested modifications.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Manis".

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