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State of California

California Coastal Commission San Diego District

DATE: December 21, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioners and

Interested Persons

FROM: Staff

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SUBJECT: Request to Waive Time Limit for Encinitas LCP Amendment No. 2-06

(Downtown Specific Plan/Municipal Code Revisions) for the Commission

Meeting of January 10-12, 2006

On November 22, 2006, the City of Encinitas Local Coastal Program (LCP) Amendment No. 2-06 was filed in the San Diego District office. The LCP amendment is to modify various ordinances within the Downtown Specific Plan and Municipal Code that include, among other things, location, size and height of accessory structures, interior lot line adjustments, nonconforming residential structures and public notice procedures.

Pursuant to Section 30512 of the Coastal Act, an implementation plan amendment must be acted on by the Commission within 60 days of complete submittal. To be heard within the allotted time period, the amendment request would have to be agendized for the scheduled January 2007 hearing. However, Section 30517 of the Coastal Act and Section 13535 of the Code of Regulations state that 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. Commission staff is requesting the time extension due to insufficient staff time to adequately review the amendment and prepare a recommendation. The City of Encinitas staff has indicated the time extension is acceptable.

Staff recommends the Commission extend the 60-day time limit for one year. It is anticipated the item will be scheduled at either the February or April 2007 Commission hearing in Southern California.

MOTION:

I move that the Commission extend the 60-day time limit to Encinitas LCP Amendment No. 2-06 for 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.