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TO: Commissioners and  
Interested Persons  
FROM: Staff

DATE: April 18, 2007

SUBJECT: Request to Waive Time Limit for City of Carlsbad LCP Amendment No. 3-06 (Poinsettia Place) for the Commission Meeting of May 9-11, 2007

On March 14, 2007, the City of Carlsbad's Local Coastal Program (LCP) Amendment #3-06 was filed in the San Diego District office. The amendment involves an approx. 20 acre site located at the southeast corner of Cassia Rd. and the present terminus of Poinsettia Lane and would redesignate the property from Residential Low and Medium Density to Residential High and Medium-High Density and Open Space and apply companion rezoning to the site. The proposed amendment will affect both the land use and implementation plan components of the certified LCP.

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 May 2007 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. The subject site is a "standards area" within the City's Habitat Management Plan and will involve the future extension of Poinsettia Lane, a major road in the City's adopted Circulation Element. The amendment raises a number of planning issues that, when coupled with current workload, necessitate additional time for staff.

Staff recommends the Commission extend the 90-day time limit for one year. However, it is anticipated that the amendment request will be scheduled for Commission review this year.

**MOTION:**

I move that the Commission extend the 90-day time limit to act on the City of Carlsbad LCP Amendment No. 3-06 for 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.