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**TO:** Commissioners and Interested Persons

**FROM:** SHERILYN SARB, SOUTH COAST DEPUTY DIRECTOR  
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**SUBJECT:** **Request to extend the sixty-day time limit for Commission action on City of Laguna Beach LCP Amendment Request No. LGB-MAJ-2-11 (IP Amendment) (for Commission Action at the September 2011 hearing in Crescent City).**

On July 22, 2011, the City of Laguna Beach submitted Local Coastal Program Amendment Request No. LGB-MAJ-2-11 to amend its certified Local Coastal Program Implementation Plan (IP). The proposed amendment contains a variety of changes to the Zoning Code/IP that would modify the City's 'hedge height' claim process, establish regulations for group homes/residential care facilities, add two-family dwellings as allowed uses in R3 zones, allow second residential units without CUP in R1 and R/HP zones, change various definitions of terms, deletes 'short term lodging' as an allowed use in the SLV zone, changes provisions related to use of off-site parking spaces to satisfy parking requirements, establishes parking space standards for compact parking stalls, motorcycle and bicycle spaces & allows provision of spaces for bicycles and motorcycles to count toward a portion of the parking requirement.

On August 5, 2011, the Executive Director determined that LCP Amendment Request No. 2-11 was in proper order and legally adequate to comply with the submittal requirements of the Coastal Act and the California Code of Regulations. Therefore, LCP Amendment Request No. 2-11 is deemed complete pursuant to the requirements of Section 30510 of the Coastal Act.

Pursuant to Sections 30512, 30513 and 30514 of the Coastal Act, an LCP amendment that includes changes to the IP portion of a certified LCP must be scheduled for a public hearing and the Commission must take action within sixty days of a complete submittal. The sixtieth day after the City's filing of the complete submittal is October 4, 2011 (i.e. before the October 5-7, 2011 Commission hearing).

However, this deadline may be extended for good cause. Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 30517 allows the Commission to extend any time limitation established by Chapter 6 of Division 20 of the PRC, wherein lies Sections 30512, 30513 and 30514, for up to a year. Staff is recommending that the Commission extend the time limit for the review of the LCP amendment request. The time extension would allow for a thorough review of the City's proposed changes.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Commission extend the deadline for Commission action for one year (i.e. October 4, 2012).

**MOTION:** **I move that the Commission extend the time limit to act on the City of Laguna Beach Local Coastal Program Implementation Plan Amendment No. LGB-MAJ-2-11 for a period of one year.**

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