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**TO:** Commissioners and Interested Persons

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**SUBJECT:** Request to extend the sixty-day time limit for Commission action on City of Huntington Beach LCP Amendment Request No. 2-11 (Signs, Flooding, & Design Review) (for Commission Action at the April 11-13, 2012 hearing in Ventura).

On December 20, 2011, the City of Huntington Beach submitted a request to amend its certified Local Coastal Program (LCP), effecting only Implementation Plan (IP). The LCP amendment proposes to make modifications to the certified IP to modify the certified the Implementation Plan by: making changes including changes to the sign ordinance; updating the flood ordinance; modifying the scope and composition of the Design Review Board; allow emergency shelters in industrial districts; making changes to the zoning map outside the coastal zone; and amending the definition of "kennel". Upon receipt of requested additional information, on March 2, 2012, 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 May 1, 2012 (i.e. before the May 9-11, 2012 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 and 30514, for up to a year. Staff is recommending that the Commission extend the sixty-day 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. to April 30, 2013).

**MOTION: I move that the Commission extend the sixty-day time limit to act on the City of Huntington Beach Local Coastal Program Amendment No. 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.