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SOUTH COAST DISTRICT DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

*For the
June Meeting of the California Coastal Commission*

MEMORANDUM

Date: June 04, 2014

TO: Commissioners and Interested Parties
FROM: For Los Angeles Co.: John (Jack) Ainsworth, South Coast District Senior Deputy Director
SUBJECT: *Deputy Director's Report*

Following is a listing for the waivers, emergency permits, immaterial amendments and extensions issued by the South Coast District Office for the June 2014 Coastal Commission hearing. Copies of the applicable items are attached for your review. Each item includes a listing of the applicants involved, a description of the proposed development, and a project location.

Pursuant to the Commission's direction and adopted procedures, appropriate notice materials were sent to all applicants for posting at the project site. Additionally, these items have been posted at the District office and are available for public review and comment.

This report may also contain additional correspondence and/or any additional staff memorandum concerning the items to be heard on today's agenda for the South Coast District.

DETAIL OF ATTACHED MATERIALS**REPORT OF DE MINIMIS WAIVERS**

The Executive Director has determined that the following developments do not require a coastal development permit pursuant to Section 30624.7 of the California Coastal Act of 1976.

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Project Description</i>	<i>Project Location</i>
5-14-0560-W City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Bureau of Engineering, Attn: Ding Lee	Restore eroded Grand Canal West Bank slopes at five street ends, Anchorage Street, Driftwood Street, Eastwind Street, Fleet Street and Galleon Street	Grand Canal Esplanade, Venice, CA 90291
5-14-0660-W White Sands Coastal Development	Demolition of existing 1422 sq. ft. duplex and attached two-car garage and construction of three-story over basement plus roofdeck 30' high 4,620 sq. ft. single family residence, two-car garage, landscaping, and perimeter walls/fencing	132 33rd St, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254
5-14-0682-W City of Long Beach, Attn: Eric Lopez	Water quality and circulation improvements in Rainbow Lagoon including repair and replacement of underground mechanical pumps in two vaults; reinforced concrete in vaults; and installation of stainless steel reinforcement plates in three skimmer baskets	Shoreline Drive & Pine Ave (Rainbow Lagoon) Long Beach, CA

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May 30, 2014

SUBJECT: Waiver of Coastal Development Permit Requirement/De Minimis Developments-Section 30624.7 of the Coastal Act

Based on your project plans and information provided in your permit application for the development described below, the Executive Director of the Coastal Commission hereby waives the requirement for a Coastal Development Permit pursuant to Section 13238.1, Title 14, California Code of Regulations. If, at a later date, this information is found to be incorrect or the plans revised, this decision will become invalid; and, any development occurring must cease until a coastal development permit is obtained or any discrepancy is resolved in writing.

WAIVER#: 5-14-0560 **APPLICANT:** City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works

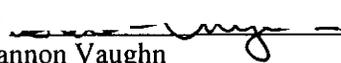
LOCATION: Grand Canal Esplanade street ends at Anchorage, Driftwood, Eastwind, Fleet and Galleon streets and confluence of Ballona Lagoon and Grand Canal.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Repair and reconstruct storm drain pipes and outlets, curbs, gutters, sidewalks and street end surfaces and install new catch basins at street ends. Replace eroded soil on slopes and fill voids under sidewalk foundations. Remove non-native vegetation and replace eroded soil on the canal slopes at the street ends. Restore slopes at street ends with native, intertidal and coastal strand vegetation. Replace protective riprap, refill washed out void under sidewalk, remove non-native vegetation and plant native vegetation at the confluence of Ballona Lagoon and Grand Canal. Street end fencing will be removed during work and replaced at completion of work.

RATIONALE: The banks of the Grand Canal are designated as an Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Area. The specified locations have been severely eroded by uncontrolled storm water runoff and tidal action. In some locations, the banks have eroded to below the mean high tide line. This has resulted in deep gullies and sheer drop-offs of 2' - 3' in height and 3' - 20' in length along the sidewalks causing a public safety hazard. Additionally, the erosion has impaired coastal strand and intertidal habitat along the canal banks. Sedimentation and increased nutrient load from runoff can increase Biochemical Oxygen Demand and stress fish and invertebrate life in the canal. These disturbances encourage weed growth that competes with native plant species and diminish habitat value. The proposed development is designed within the footprint of the existing development. The drainage control component of the project is necessary to repair and protect the canal banks. The biological Assessment Report (by Wm. Jones, 11/12/2013) for the project states that 125 square feet of native and 24 square feet of non-native vegetation will be removed and that the area of terrestrial habitat to be restored, including the restoration and replacement of removed native vegetation, is 458 square feet. The report further states that the area of permanent impact will be the pipe outlets and riprap mat energy dissipaters, located at the storm drain pipe outlets at the five street ends is approximately 13 square feet. The proposal includes construction BMPs to prevent discharges and other adverse impacts to the waterway. As proposed, the project will not have significant adverse impacts to sensitive habitat, water quality or marine resources. The project will maintain the existing continuous public access trail on the west bank of the Grand Canal. Therefore, the proposed project is consistent with the Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act and previous Commission approvals, and will not prejudice the City's ability to prepare an LCP.

This waiver will not become effective until reported to the Commission at their **June 11 - 13, 2014** meeting and the site of the proposed development has been appropriately noticed, pursuant to 13054(b) of the California Code of Regulations. The enclosed Notice Card shall remain posted at the site until the waiver has been validated and no less than seven days prior to the Commission hearing. If four (4) Commissioners object to this waiver of permit requirements, a coastal development permit will be required.

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WAIVER: 5-14-0660-W **APPLICANT:** 33rd Street LP (Brett Malkin)

LOCATION: 132 33rd Street, City of Hermosa Beach, County of Los Angeles

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Demolition of existing 1422 sq. ft. duplex and attached two-car garage and construction of three-story over basement plus roofdeck 30' high 4,620 sq. ft. single family residence, two-car garage, landscaping, and perimeter walls/fencing.

RATIONALE: The proposed project, which is located two blocks inland of the beach, has received an Approval in Concept from the City of Hermosa Beach Community Development Department (4/15/14) and is consistent with the R-3 (Multiple Family Residential) zoning designation and the surrounding land uses. The existing structure has not been deemed by any local or state jurisdiction to be important to the history, architecture or culture of the area, and the structure is not listed on any register of historic structures. The proposed development will have a two-car garage and additional uncovered guest parking space on concrete in the driveway, accessible from the alley designated as 33rd Place. The roof features gutters and downspouts which conduct water to the City drainage system. Best management practices for water quality have been implemented in the construction plan. All proposed landscaping features native or non-native drought tolerant non-invasive species. The graded material will be exported to a commercial dirt excavation dump site outside of the coastal zone. The proposed development will not result in adverse impacts to public coastal access, coastal resources, public recreation, public coastal views, or water quality. Also, the proposed development will not prejudice the City's ability to prepare a Certified LCP, and is consistent with past Commission actions in the area and Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act.

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WAIVER: 5-14-0682-W **APPLICANT:** City of Long Beach

LOCATION: Rainbow Lagoon, City of Long Beach, County of Los Angeles

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Water quality and circulation improvements in Rainbow Lagoon including repair and replacement of underground mechanical pumps in two vaults; reinforced concrete in vaults; and installation of stainless steel reinforcement plates in three skimmer baskets.

RATIONALE: The proposed project is located around the perimeter of Rainbow Lagoon in the City of Long Beach, within the Commission's area of original jurisdiction. The project has received an Approval in Concept and CEQA exemption determination from the City of Long Beach Department of Planning and Building (4/22/14). No natural landform alterations or underwater construction are proposed as part of the repair and maintenance activities. Best management practices to protect water quality have been incorporated into the construction plan. When the project is complete, water quality in the saltwater lagoon will be improved by the new pumps. Construction is expected to take four months and public access along the lagoon will not be disrupted. The proposed development will not result in adverse impacts to public coastal access, coastal resources, public recreation, public coastal views, or water quality. Therefore, the proposed development is consistent with past Commission actions in the area and Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act.

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