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COUNTY APPROVES MAJOR AMENDMENT TO MARINA DEL REY LOCAL COASTAL PLAN

2nd Phase of "Road Map" Sets Parameters for Marina Development

LOS ANGELES, February 1, 2011 – The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors today approved a comprehensive major amendment to the Marina del Rey Local Coastal Plan (LCP), following three years of community and stakeholder input. The LCP major amendment is in response to the Coastal Commission's request for a comprehensive look at individual projects requiring LCP amendments. It simplifies the current 14 existing development zones into three, and lays out a plan to improve recreation, boating, traffic congestion, infrastructure and parks.

"Marina del Rey is the crown jewel of the County and I think we can all admit that it needs some polishing," said Supervisor Don Knabe. "Today's action allows for a balanced approach to redevelopment of the Marina and will move us forward in creating a special place to be enjoyed by boaters, visitors and all residents of LA County."

This comprehensive amendment allows for limited development with a net addition of 759 residential units, 116,000 sq. ft. of visitor-serving commercial, 30,000 sq. ft. of office space and 3,000 sq. ft. of retail, less than half of the development allowed under the 1996 LCP. The Board also required that 15% of all new residential units be dedicated to affordable housing. Individual projects must still be reviewed and approved on an individual basis, based on their own merit and community input.

Today's approval is the second part of the "Road Map" planning approach that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on September 1, 2009. Part one of the Road Map was the County's response to the Coastal Commission's LCP Periodic Review findings, which was submitted in April, 2010. The third phase is a future visioning process, to be completed by September 1, 2014, in which community members and other stakeholders will develop a vision for the redevelopment of Marina del Rey, with a focus on leaseholds ending in the next 15 to 20 years.

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