

## CITY OF CARSON

## PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

PUBLIC HEARING:	April 13, 2010
SUBJECT:	Modification No. 2 to Special Use Permit No. 106-74
APPLICANT:	Colony Cove Properties (c/o James and Associates) 255 N. El Cielo Rd. Suite 140-285 Palm Springs, CA 92262
REQUEST:	To reauthorize the development of an additional 2 mobile home spaces to an existing 404-unit mobil home park (Colony Cove Mobile Estates) located o approximately 52 acres in the RM-8-D (Residentia Multi-family – 8 units per acre – Design Overlay) zon district.
PROPERTY INVOLVED:	17700 S. Avalon Boulevard
	COMMISSION ACTION
Concurred with staff	
Did not concur with staff	
Other	
	COMMISSIONERS' VOTE

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## I. Introduction

On March 25, 2008, the Planning Commission approved Modification No. 1 to Special Use Permit (SUP) No. 106-74 for the development of an additional 21 mobile home spaces to the existing Colony Cove Mobile Home Estates, a 404-unit, renter-occupied, mobile home park located at 17700 S. Avalon Boulevard in the north-central area of Carson.

On April 14, 2009, through minute resolution, the Planning Commission approved a one-year extension of time for Modification No. 1 until March 25, 2010. The current application for Modification No. 2 to SUP No. 106-74 is for the same project that was approved by the Planning Commission in 2008.

### II. Background

The approval of Modification No. 1 to SUP No. 106-74 included a requirement (Condition of Approval No. 10 of Resolution No. 08-2196) for an affordable rental agreement for five (5) of the 21 units. The one-year time extension was approved to allow additional time for the applicant and city to work on the affordable rental agreement.

Pursuant to Condition No. 1 of Planning Commission Resolution No. 08-2196 only a single one-year extension of time may be given. Because the applicant failed to take action on the permit before the extension of time expiration date, Modification No. 1 has expired. Modification No. 2 is the exact proposal as Modification No. 1, with the nominal change to the modification number to ensure that records are kept in order.

To date, legal challenges between the property owner and the city have taken some attention away from actively pursuing the affordable rental agreement, which is why certain issues related to this agreement have yet to be resolved. While the city and owner remain desirous of entering into such an agreement, additional time is required to do so, hence the application for a new permit which should provide ample time for these issues to be resolved and an agreement sought.

#### III. Analysis and Findings

The project design and proposed use has not changed from the originally approved plans. Therefore, the same findings can be made. Planning Commission Resolution No. 08-2106 has been included for your reference.

#### IV. Environmental Review

Based upon analysis of the environmental impact of the proposed project, a Negative Declaration has been prepared, pursuant to CEQA regulations. The 20-day period for public review and comment on this Negative Declaration ended April 13, 2010. No comments have been received by the Planning Department regarding the Negative Declaration.

## V. Recommendation

That the Planning Commission:

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- ADOPT the Negative Declaration;
- APPROVE Modification No. 2 to Special Use Permit No. 106-74; and
- WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, entitled "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of Carson approving Modification No. 2 to Special Use Permit No. 106-74 for the addition of 21 mobile home spaces to an existing 404-unit mobile home park located at 17700 Avalon Boulevard."

## VI. Exhibits

- 1. Land-Use Map
- 2. Draft Resolution
- 3. Initial Study and Negative Declaration
- 4. Planning Commission Staff Report Dated February 26, 2008 (without exhibits)
- 5. Excerpt of Planning Commission Minutes Dated February 26, 2008
- 6. Planning Commission Resolution No. 08-2196
- 7. Excerpt of Planning Commission Minutes Dated March 25, 2008

8. Development Plans (under separate cover)

Prepared by:

Steven Newberg, AICP, Associate Planner

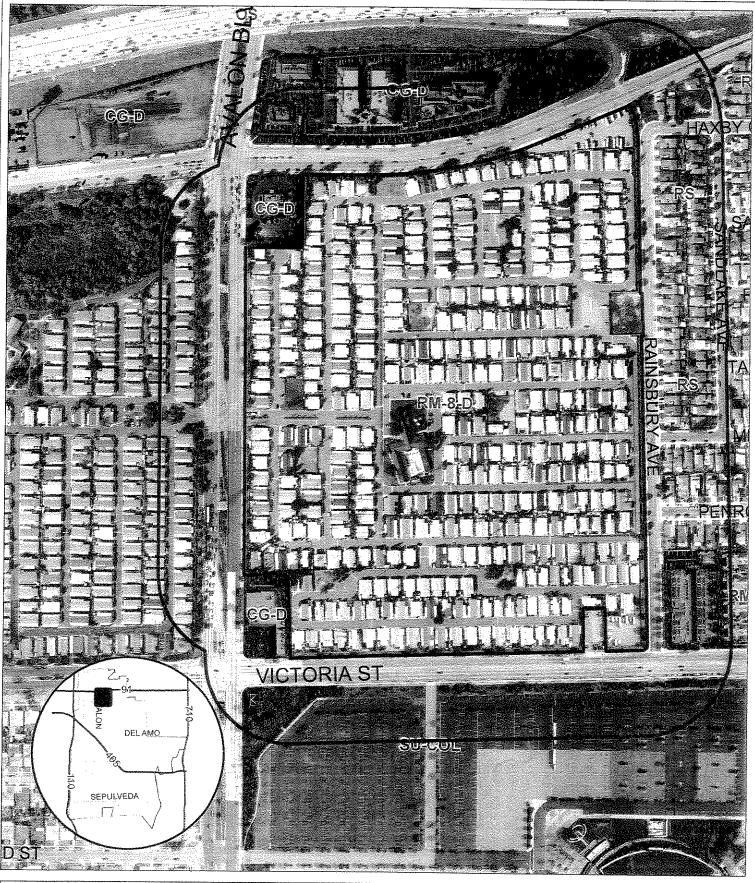
Reviewed by:

John F. Signo, AICR) Senior Planner

Approved by:

Sheri Repp-Loadsman, Planning Officer

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City of Carson 300 Foot Radius Map 17700 Avalon Blvd

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#### CITY OF CARSON

#### PLANNING COMMISSION

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 10-**

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CARSON APPROVING MODIFICATION NO. 2 TO SPECIAL USE PERMIT NO. 106-74 FOR THE ADDITION OF 21 MOBILE HOME SPACES TO AN EXISTING 404-UNIT MOBILE HOME PARK LOCATED AT 17700 AVALON BOULEVARD

THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, HEREBY FINDS, RESOLVES AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** An application was duly filed by the applicant, Colony Cove Properties, with respect to real property located at 17700 Avalon Boulevard, and described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, requesting authorization of Modification No. 2 to Special Use Permit No. 106-74 to permit an additional 21 mobile home spaces to an existing 404-unit mobile home park (Colony Cove Mobile Estates) located on approximately 52 acres in the RM-8-D (Residential, Multi-family – 8 units per acre – Design Overlay) zone district.

A public hearing was duly held April 13, 2010, at 6:30 P.M. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 701 East Carson Street, Carson, California. A notice of time, place and purpose of the aforesaid meetings were duly given.

On March 25, 2008, the Planning Commission approved Resolution No. 08-2196 authorizing the development of an additional 21 mobile home spaces to the existing Colony Cove Mobile Home Estates, a 404-unit, renter occupied, mobile home park located at 17700 Avalon Boulevard. On April 14, 2009, the Planning Commission approved a time extension to extend the proposal to March 25, 2010. The approved permit was declared null and void pursuant to Condition No. 1 of Resolution No. 08-2196 as no action was taken on the project prior to the expiration date. In March, 2010, the applicant applied for a new discretionary permit to reauthorize the project.

<u>Section 2</u>. Evidence, both written and oral, was duly presented to and considered by the Planning Commission at the aforesaid meetings.

## Section 3. The Planning Commission finds that:

- a) The General Plan Housing Element calls for the promotion of a variety of housing types, including mobile homes, and the development of quality affordable housing. The proposed 21 units exceeds the maximum density allowed in the zone of 8 units per acre. The applicant intends to provide additional mobile home spaces and affordable housing opportunities for five of the new spaces. The mobile home park is allowed to exceed the maximum density provided they provide affordable housing. In doing so, the development will facilitate achievement of goals and objectives of the General Plan.
- b) The project site is 52.54 acres in area, flat, and square-shaped. The location is suitable for the use, and there are adequate facilities to serve the subject property and intended use.
- c) Primary access to the subject property is via two driveways on the west side from Avalon Boulevard, which is a major thoroughfare running the length of the

- city. Avalon Boulevard is considered sufficient in width and capacity to serve the anticipated cumulative traffic impact created by the proposed mobile home expansion. Emergency vehicle access is provided by crash gates in two locations along the east side of the subject property, facing Rainsbury Avenue.
- d) There are a sufficient number fire hydrants located throughout the subject property to facilitate the suppression of fire. There is adequate water supply for the hydrants and efficient means of access for fire department equipment and personnel in the event of an emergency.
- e) The zoning for the property calls for multi-family residential uses, with which the proposed use is compatible. The proposed spaces will occupy existing areas within the mobile home park, which is consistent with the intended character of the area.
- f) The proposed site plan is designed to mitigate park residents' concerns voiced in community meetings between staff, the applicant and park residents during the review process of this application, and has been revised in response to the salient issues raised by residents in these meetings.
- Section 4. The Planning Commission further finds that the use permitted by the proposed Modification No. 2 to Special Use Permit No. 106-74 will not have a significant effect on the environment as indicated in the Initial Study and Negative Declaration prepared for this project. The proposed use will not alter the character of the surrounding area and meets or exceeds all City standards for protection of the environment. The Planning Commission hereby adopts the Negative Declaration.
- <u>Section 5</u>. Based on the aforementioned findings, the Commission hereby grants Modification No. 2 to Special Use Permit No. 106-74, with respect to the property described in Section 1 hereof, subject to the conditions set forth in Exhibit "B" attached hereto, and adopts the Negative Declaration.
- <u>Section 6</u>. The Secretary shall certify the adoption of this Resolution and shall transmit copies of the same to the applicant.
- <u>Section 7</u>. This action shall become final and effective fifteen days after the adoption of this Resolution unless within such time an appeal is filed with the City Clerk in accordance with the provisions of the Carson Zoning Ordinance.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 13th DAY OF APRIL, 2010.

		CHAIRMAN	·
ATTEST:	SECRETARY		



#### CITY OF CARSON

#### **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

#### PLANNING DIVISION

#### **EXHIBIT "A"**

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

## MODIFICATION NO. 2 TO SPECIAL USE PERMIT NO. 106-74

Property Address: 17700 Avalon Boulevard

The land referred to as parcel no. 7319-017-086 is described as follows:

Parcel 1 in the City of Carson, County of Los Angeles, State of California, as shown on Parcel Map No. 6150 filed in Book 69, Pages 69, 70, and 71 of Parcel Maps, in the Office of the County Recorder of said County.

Except from said land that portion lying below a depth of 500 feet, measured vertically from the surface of said land, as said surface existed on October 25, 1965.

Also except therefrom all mobile homes situated on said land.



#### CITY OF CARSON

#### **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

#### PLANNING DIVISION

#### **EXHIBIT "B"**

## **CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

### MODIFICATION NO. 2 TO SPECIAL USE PERMIT NO. 106-74

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

- 1. If a permit for new mobile homes is not obtained from the State Housing and Community Development Department, or if a building permit is not given for new construction on the project site within one year of the date of approval of Modification No. 2 to SUP No. 106-74, said permit shall be declared null and void unless an extension of time is requested prior to expiration and approved by the Planning Commission.
- The approved Resolution, including the Conditions of Approval contained herein, and signed Affidavit of Acceptance, shall be copied in their entirety and placed directly onto a separate plan sheet behind the cover sheet of the approved development plans prior to Building and Safety plan check submittal. Said copies shall be included in all development plan submittals, including any revisions and the final working drawings.
- 3. The applicant shall make any necessary site plan and design revisions to the site plan and elevations approved by the Planning Commission and on file with the City Planning Division, in order to comply with all the conditions of approval and applicable Zoning Ordinance provisions. Substantial revisions will require review and approval by the Planning Commission. Should an affordable housing agreement between the applicant and the city not be finalized, as required by Condition No. 10, a modification to the site plan shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission to authorize an alternative use for the five units.
- 4. The applicant shall submit two complete sets of plans that conform to all the Conditions of Approval, and which are consistent with the development plans included as exhibits to the staff report presented at the hearing in which the project was approved, including modifications to the plans and/or conditions of approval made by the Planning Commission during said hearing. Such approved development plans are subject to review and approval by the Planning Division prior to the issuance of a building permit.
- 5. The applicant and property owner shall sign an Affidavit of Acceptance form and submit the document to the Planning Division within 30 days of receipt of the Planning Commission Resolution.



- 6. It is further made a condition of this approval that if any condition is violated or if any law, statute or ordinance is violated, this permit may be revoked by the Planning Commission or City Council, as may be applicable; provided the applicant has been given written notice to cease such violation and has failed to do so for a period of thirty days.
- 7. Decision of the Planning Commission shall become effective and final 15 days after the date of its action unless an appeal is filed in accordance with Section 9173.4 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 8. A modification of the conditions of this permit, including additions or deletions, may be considered upon filing of an application by the owner of the subject property or his/her authorized representative in accordance with Section 9173.1 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 9. Applicant shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Carson, its agents, officers, or employees from any claims, damages, action, or proceeding against the City or its agents, officers, or employees to attack, set aside, void or annul, and approval of the City, its advisory agencies, appeal boards, or legislative body concerning Modification No. 2 to Special Use Permit No. 106-74. The City will promptly notify the Applicant of any such claim, action, or proceeding against the City and the Applicant will either undertake defense of the matter and pay the City's associated legal costs or will advance funds to pay for defense of the matter by the City Attorney. The City will cooperate fully in the defense. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City retains the right to settle or abandon the matter without the Applicant's consent but should it do so, the City shall waive the indemnification herein, except, the City's decision to settle or abandon a matter following an adverse judgment or failure to appeal, shall not cause a waiver of the indemnification rights herein.

#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING

10. The applicant shall provide affordable rental housing for five new units at income levels and locations to be determined pursuant to an agreement with the city. The affordable rental rate shall be targeted to moderate (or below)-income households, unless otherwise approved by the city, and may be patterned after State Government Code 66427.5 at the discretion of the city. The affordable rental rate shall remain in effect for a period of not less than 30 years or until such time that the city approves an amendment to the agreement. The affordable housing costs shall consider space rent, principle and interest on the mobilehome, mortgage loan insurance fees, property taxes and assessments, fire and casualty insurance, property maintenance and repairs and a reasonable allowance for utilities. The program must be approved by the city before the applicant gets occupancy of units. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the applicant shall have no obligation to comply with this condition in the event that the city and the applicant are unable to come to an agreement on applicable rental rates and the affordable housing agreement for the five affordable units (see Condition No. 3).



11. If a subdivision conversion to resident ownership is approved, the affordable rental housing covenant on the five units shall be converted to low-income home ownership opportunities for five units. The locations of such units will be subject to an agreement with the city. The agreement shall include a formula to provide a fair distribution between land value and unit value.

## **PARKING**

- 12. All parking areas and driveways shall remain clear. No encroachment into parking areas and/or driveways shall be permitted.
- 13. Parking spaces shall be identified (marked) as provided in Section 9162.56 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 14. All areas used for the movement parking, loading, repair or storage of vehicles shall be paved with either:
  - a. Concrete or asphaltic concrete to a minimum thickness of three and one-half inches over four inches of crushed aggregate base; or
  - b. Other surfacing material which, in the opinion of the Director of Engineering Services, provides equivalent life, service and appearance.
- 15. Parking for handicapped shall comply with the requirements of Section 9162.42 of the Zoning Ordinance.

## LANDSCAPING/IRRIGATION

- 16. The applicant shall submit two sets of landscaping and irrigation plans drawn, stamped, and signed by a licensed landscape architect and in substantial conformance with preliminary landscape plans dated as received by the Planning Department on February 14, 2008. Such plans are to be approved by the Planning Division prior to the issuance of any building permit.
- 17. Such landscaping and irrigation plans shall be stamped and signed by a licensed landscape architect and are to include, but are not limited to:
- a. Trees, grass, and vine-like landscaping in the proposed park areas;
- b. Perimeter landscaping near the "dog-run" area, as described on the site plan marked "Exhibit D";
- c. Annual flowers wherever possible; and
- d. Irrigation system designed to commercial grade standards.
  - Furthermore, these plans are subject to Planning Division review and approval before landscape/irrigation construction, which is to be completed prior to the issuance of final occupancy.
- 18. The applicant shall comply with the provisions of Section 9168 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Water Efficient Landscaping."



- 19. The applicant shall install 6-inch by 6-inch concrete curbs around all landscaped planter areas, except for areas determined by a SUSMP/NPDES permit, or other applicable condition of approval that requires certain landscaped areas to remain clear of concrete curbs for more efficient stormwater runoff flow and percolation. Revised landscaping and irrigation plans shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Division should subsequent modifications be required by other concerned agencies regarding the removal of concrete curbs.
- 20. Landscaping shall be provided with a permanently installed, automatic irrigation system and operated by an electrically-timed controller station set for early morning or late evening irrigation.

## **UTILITIES**

- 21. All utilities and aboveground equipment shall be constructed and located pursuant to Section 9126.8 of the Zoning Ordinance, unless otherwise provided for in these conditions.
- 22. All utility meters will be painted the same color as the structures to reduce visibility (the Gas Company will not allow meters to be placed in boxes).

#### **AESTHETICS**

- 23. The specification of all colors and materials of new construction of trash enclosures, maintenance shed, and carport must be submitted and approved by the Planning Division prior to the issuance of any building permits.
- 24. Graffiti shall be removed from all project areas within 3 days of written notification by the City of Carson. Should the graffiti problem persist more than twice in any calendar year, the matter may be brought before the Planning Commission for review and further consideration of site modifications (i.e., fencing, landscaping, chemical treatment, etc.)

## FENCES/WALLS

25. All fences, walls and hedges shall be located and constructed in compliance with the standards as provided for in Section 9126.3 (residential zones) of the Zoning Ordinance.

#### TRASH

26. Trash enclosures and recycling areas shall be located on four-inch concrete pads and in locations consistent with the approved site plan, subject to Planning Division review and approval. Painted metal, self-closing doors shall be used for enclosing the entrance to the trash and recycling areas. The trash and recycling area enclosure design is to be approved by the Planning Division prior to issuance of any building permit(s).



27. Recycling areas shall be provided in accordance with Sections 9164.4 and 9164.5 of the Zoning Ordinance. The number and size of recycling facilities are subject to the approval of the Planning Division.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT - COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

- 28. Provide water mains, fire hydrants, and fire flows as required by County Forester and Fire Warden for all land shown on the map to be recorded.
- 29. Provide Fire Department and City approved street signs and building address numbers prior to occupancy.
- 30. Access shall comply with Section 10.207 of the Fire Code which requires all weather access. All weather access may require paving.
- 31. All required fire hydrants shall be installed, tested and accepted prior to construction. Vehicular access must be provided and maintained serviceable throughout construction.
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- 33. Submit fire flow information to this Los Angeles County Fire Department, Land Development Division office for approval.
- At the discretion of the applicant, a 39-foot lot line adjustment shall be completed between the subject property and the adjacent Los Angeles County Fire Department property. The lot line adjustment shall be recorded with the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office prior to the occupancy of the new spaces.

#### PUBLIC SAFETY - CITY OF CARSON

- 35. Ensure compliance with current seismic mitigation codes.
- 36. Where practical, surface treatments, accessibility or landscaping strategies should work to deter graffiti. Stucco or cinder block walls, with access to the public, should be set back or landscaped in such a way as to deter graffiti.

## **ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT - CITY OF CARSON**

- 37. Prior to issuance of Building Permit, a soils report, sewer area study, drainage concept, and stormwater quality plan shall be reviewed and approved. Building Permit issuance will not be granted until the required soils, sewer, drainage concept and stormwater information have been received and found satisfactory.
- 38. Comply with mitigation measures recommended in the approved soils, sewer area study, drainage concept and stormwater quality plan.



- 39. Dedicate 6-ft of additional right-of-way along portions of Rainsbury Avenue. Developer shall prepare legal description for required dedication, for review and approval of the City Engineer and Recordation with County Recorders Office.
- 40. If needed, easements shall be granted to the City, appropriate agency, or entity for the purpose of ingress, egress, construction, and maintenance of all infrastructures constructed and handicap access for this development to the satisfaction of the City Engineer and or appropriate agency or entity.
- 41. Quitclaim or relocate any easements interfering with building locations to the satisfaction of the City, appropriate agency or entity.
- 42. Repair any broken or raised (one-inch or more) sidewalk, curb and gutter along Avalon Blvd, Albertoni Street, Victoria Street and Rainsbury Avenue within or abutting this proposed development per City of Carson Standard and to the satisfaction of the City Engineer, which is limited to \$10,000 or less in performance costs.
- 43. The Developer shall fill in missing sidewalk, remove and replace any broken/damaged driveway approach in the public right of way abutting the proposed development per City of Carson Standard and to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.
- 44. The Developer shall modify existing driveways in the public right of way per City of Carson Standard to comply with the ADA requirements and to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.
- 45. Where sidewalk meander around existing driveways and extending beyond the public right of way at any location, the required described sidewalk easements shall be submitted and approved prior to issuance of the building permit.
- 46. If any, remove unused driveway approach if any, and replace it with full height curb and gutter and sidewalk per City of Carson Standard and to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.
- 47. Install and/or modify (if necessary) existing wheelchair ramp along Avalon Boulevard at the entrance and exit to the subject site, and at the northwest corner of Rainsbury Avenue and Victoria Street per City of Carson Standard, in compliance with ADA requirements.
- 48. In the event that the applicant proposes future improvements allowing vehicular access entering or exiting onto Rainsbury Avenue (apart from the two existing "crash gates"), the applicant shall install streetlights on concrete poles with underground wiring Rainsbury Avenue to the satisfaction of the L.A. County Street Lighting Division, Department of Public Works.
- 49. All new utility lines, along Avalon Blvd, Albertoni Street, Victoria Street and Rainsbury Avenue abutting the proposed development shall be underground to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.

- Plant approved parkway trees on locations along Avalon Boulevard and Victoria 50. Street where trees are missing per City of Carson Standard Nos. 117, 132, 133 and 134. All new trees must be kept adequately watered.
- Paint Curbs Red along Avalon Blvd, Albertoni Street, Victoria Street and 51. Rainsbury Avenue within or abutting this proposed development, to the satisfaction of the City Traffic Engineer.
- 52. The Developer shall install separate sewer laterals to individually serve each building in the development. Installation and dedication of main line sewers may be necessary to meet this requirement.
- The Developer shall submit a sewer area study to the Los Angeles. County 53. Department of Public Works (LACDPW) to determine if capacity is adequate in the sewerage system to be used as the outlet for the sewer of this development. If the system is found to have insufficient capacity, the problem must be addressed and resolved to the satisfaction of the L.A. County Sewer Department.
- The Developer shall comply with all requirements from L.A. County Sewer 54. Maintenance Division for maintenance of new and/or existing sewer main, relating to this development, prior to release of all improvement bonds.
- The Developer shall execute and provide to the City Engineer, a written 55. statement from the water purveyor indicating that the water system will be operated by the purveyor and that under normal conditions, the system will meet the requirements for the development and that water service will be provided to each building.
- Comply with mitigation measures recommended by the water purveyor. 56.
- The Developer shall submit a copy of approved plans on mylars (i.e. Grading, 57. Sewer, Street, and Storm Drain Improvement Plans), to the City of Carson -Engineering Division, prior to issuance of construction permits.
- A construction permit is required for any work to be done in the public right-of-58. wav.
- 59. Any improvements damaged during the construction shall be removed and reconstructed per City of Carson Standard plan and to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.
- 60. All infrastructures necessary to serve the proposed development (water, sewer, storm drain, and street improvements) shall be in operation prior to the issuance of Certificate of Occupancy.
- Streets abutting the development, with new utility trench cuts to serve the 61. development, shall be slurry sealed from curb-to-curb or from median-to-curb when medians are existing or as approved by the Engineer in the field. Slurry Seal materials shall be rubberized emulsion aggregate slurry (REAS)

- 62. The Developer shall construct and guarantee the construction of all required drainage infrastructures in accordance with the requirements and recommendations of the drainage study, subject to the approval of the City Engineer.
- 63. Prior to issuance of Building Permit, the following must be on file:
- 64. Drainage/Grading plan prepared by a registered Civil Engineer, to the satisfaction of the Building and Safety Division.
- 65. Construction bond as required for all work to be done within the public right of way.
- 66. Proof of Worker's Compensation and Liability Insurance.
- 67. The Developer shall comply with the applicable SUSMP requirements and shall incorporate into the project plan a Storm Water Mitigation Plan, which includes those Best Management Practices necessary to control storm water pollution from construction activities and facility operations prior to issuance of Building Permit.

## **BUSINESS LICENSE DEPARTMENT - CITY OF CARSON**

68. Per section 6310 of the Carson Municipal Code, all parties involved in the project, including but not limited to contractors and subcontractors, will need to obtain a City Business License.





## CITY OF CARSON

## NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Case:	Modification	No.	2 to	Special	Use	Permit No.	106-74
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Applicant: Colony Cove Properties (c/o James and Associates)

Address: 255 N. El Cielo Rd. Suite 140-285, Palm Springs, CA 92262

Project Description:

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authorization expired in March, 2010.

Project Location: 17700 Avalon Blvd, Carson, CA 90746

On the basis of the Initial Study prepared for the project, it has been determined that the project would not have a potential for a significant effect on the environment. A copy of said Initial Study is available for review at the Community Development Department, 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California, 90745. This document constitutes a Negative Declaration.

Mitigation Measures:

None

Responsible Agencies:

City of Carson, Planning

Trustee Agencies:

City of Carson, Engineering Division; City of Carson, Housing Division

Notice pursuant to Section 21092.5 of the Public Resources Code:

A Public Hearing will be held before the Planning Commission in the City Hall Council Chambers, 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California, on <u>April 13, 2010</u> at 6:30 p.m. to consider this project. At that time, any interested person is welcome to attend and be heard on this matter.

Prior to the Public Hearing, the public is invited to submit written comments on this Negative Declaration to the Community Development Department, City Hall, 701 East Carson Street, Carson, California 90745 or phone (310) 952-1761. Please refer to the case number listed above

Steven C. Newberg, AICP, Associate Planner

3/24/10

Date

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EXHIBIT NO. - 3



## **Environmental Checklist Form**

1. Project Title: Modification No. 2 to Special Use Permit No. 106-74

2. Lead Agency Name and Address:

City of Carson, Planning Division

701 East Carson Street

P.O. Box 6234 Carson, CA 90749

3. Contact Person and Phone Number: Steven C. Newberg, AICP, Associate Planner

(310) 952-1761 x1810

4. Project Location: 17700 S. Avalon Blvd.

5. Project Sponsor's Name and Address: Colony Cove Properties, LLC

c/o James & Associates

255 N. El Cielo Rd. Suite 140-285

Palm Springs, CA 92262

6. General Plan Designation: Low Density - Residential

Zoning: RS-8-D (Residential, Single Family - 8 units per acre - Design Overlay Review) 7.

8. Description of Project: (Describe the whole action involved, including but not limited to later phases of the project, and any secondary, support, or off-site features necessary for its implementation. Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

The applicant is proposing 21 additional units at an existing 404-unit mobile home park ("Colony Cove Mobile Estates"), 5 of which are to be deemed affordable, pursuant to City of Carson Municipal Code and other applicable State standards. This is a request to reguthorize a previously approved permit for the identical project, for which the original authorization expired in March, 2010.

- Surrounding land uses and setting: Briefly describe the project's surroundings: 9. The area is adjacent to single-family residential use to the east, Dominguez Hills State College and the Home Depot Center to the south, a mobile home park to the west and commercial uses to the north.
- 10. Other public agencies whose approval is required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or participation agreement.) Carson Redevelopment Agency for any financial program

#### **Evaluation of Environmental Impacts:**

1) A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources that preparer cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the reference information shows that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a projectspecific screening analysis).



- 2) All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
- 3) "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect is significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
- 4) "Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less than Significant Impact." The preparer must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from "Earlier Analysis," may be crossreferenced).
- 5) Early analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect analyses are discussed at the end of the checklist.
- 6) Preparers are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). References to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated. A source list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.

## **EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:**

		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
I.	AESTHETICS. Would the project:				
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?			П	図
b)	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?	O .			M
c)	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?				✓
d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?				Ø

#### Explanation:

- (a,b) The project is located in a fully developed urban area. No scenic vistas, scenic resources, or designated historic buildings exist in the vicinity, and none of the adjacent streets, Albertoni Street, Avalon Boulevard nor Victoria Street are designated as State scenic highways. Thus, the proposed project will have no impacts.
- (c) The uses along Avalon Boulevard, Albertoni Street and Victoria Street include a variety of commercial uses, single-family residents and public uses (college and soccer stadium). The proposed subdivision will not affect the visual character of the area.
- (d) The lights on private property will not impact adjacent residential uses.

#### Mitigation:

None Required.

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II.	AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES: In determining whether impacts to agricultural resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) Prepared by the California Dept. of Conservation as an optional Model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. Would the project:				
a)	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?				Ø
b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?	П	П	П	図
c)	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use?	П			Ø

Source: General Plan; Carson Municipal Code

#### **Explanation:**

(a) According to Appendix G of the State Guidelines and the Department of Conservation, a project will have a significant impact on agricultural resources if it falls into any of the following Farmland designations: Prime Farmland; Farmland of Statewide Importance; or Unique Farmland. The project area is a fully developed commercial corridor. The subject site is not designated as Prime, Farmland,



- Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), and thus will not have an impact.
- (b) No agricultural areas exist nearby the project site. The project would not result in direct or indirect impacts to agricultural resources. The project does not comprise an agricultural preserve under a Williamson Act contract.
- (c) The project area is not located on agricultural or farmlands. The project would neither directly nor indirectly result in the conversion of Prime, Unique, or other Farmland of Statewide Importance to a non-agricultural use.

Mitigation: None required.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
III.	AIR QUALITY: Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management or air pollution control district may be relied upon to make the following determinations. Would the project:				
a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?		П	П	Ŋ
b)	Violate any air quality standards or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality standard?				Ø
c)	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?				区
d)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?		П		Ø
e)	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?				Ø

Source: General Plan; Carson Municipal Code

#### Explanation:

(a,c,d,e) The proposed 21 units in a park that currently has 404 units would not have a significant impact.

## Mitigation:

None required.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
IV.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES. Would the project:	,			
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?	Ω.			Ø
b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service?				\overline{\text{\tin}\exititt{\text{\tin}}\\ \text{\tex{\tex
c)	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of he Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				প্র
d)	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use if native wildlife nursery sites?				Ø
e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				M
f)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				Ø

Source: General Plan; Carson Municipal Code.

## Explanation:

(a - f) No riparian or sensitive habitat is identified within the project area. The project site is developed and is located in a built-out commercial area. No sensitive vegetation or wildlife will be affected. The proposed project will not conflict with any habitat conservation plan. Thus, no significant impact to biological resources is expected.



Mitigation: None required.

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v.	CULTURAL RESOURCES. Would the project				
a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in § 15064.5?		D	П	Ø
b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to § 15064.5?				Ø
c)	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?		П	П	Ø
d)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?			П	☑

Source: General Plan Update EIR; Carson Municipal Code; Local CEQA Guidelines.

## Explanation:

- There are no identified historical resources on the project site. (a)
- There are no identified archaeological resources on the project site. (b)
- There are no identified paleontological resources on the project site. (c)
- There are no identified human remains or formal cemeteries on the project site. (d)

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VI.	GEOLOGY AND SOILS. Would the project:				
a)	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, or injury, or death involving:				
	i. Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.				Q
	ii. Strong seismic ground shaking?			Ø	



	iii. Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?			Ø	
	iv. Landslides?		П		Ø
-b)	Result in substantial soil erosion or loss of topsoil?				Ŋ
c)	Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse?				ত্
d)	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-I-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property?			П	Ø
e)	Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater?	. 🗆			Ø

#### Explanation:

- (a) The project site is located west of the seismically active Newport-Inglewood fault and west of the Palos Verdes fault zone. Although there is a potential for liquefaction during strong seismic activity, the proposed use is not expected to induce seismic hazards or liquefaction since it will be located on a developed site. This is considered a less than significant impact.
- (b-d) All construction and grading activities will be reviewed to assure proper construction and grading practices and compliance to building regulations. No soil erosion, loss of topsoil, or related geologic hazard is expected to result from this project.
- (e) The proposed project does not involve the installation or use of septic tanks or alternative disposal systems and once completed, will be connected to the existing City water distribution and sewer systems.

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VII.	HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. Would the project:				
a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?				Ø
b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?				凶



		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
(c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				Ø
d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites Compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				☑
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan, or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				团
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				Ø
g)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency plan or emergency evacuation plan?	<u>.</u>			Ø
h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?				Ø

Source: General Plan.

## Explanation:

No significant amounts of hazardous materials will be allowed to be stored the mobile home park.

(c-h) The residents are not expected to generate hazardous wastes.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
VIII.	HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY.  Would the project:				
a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste				团



		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
	discharge requirements?				
b)	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?				Ø
c)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation onor off-site?				Ø
d)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site?				V
e)	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?				Ø
f)	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?				Ø
g)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?				Ø
h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure if a levee or dam?				Ø.
i)	Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?				Ŋ

## Explanation:

(a,e) The proposed units will be evaluated for its impact on water quality standards and storm runoff.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
IX.	LAND USE AND PLANNING. Would the project:				
a)	Physically divide an established community?				Ø
b)	Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?				Ø
c)	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?			D	Ø

### Explanation:

- The site is designated on the General Plan as Low Density Residential. The mobile home park (a,b) developed at 8 units per acre meets the requirements of low density residential use.
- The project is not located within a habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan. (c) No impacts are anticipated.

Mitigation: None required.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Х.	MINERAL RESOURCES. Would the project:				
a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the State?				Ø
b)	Result in the loss of availability of a locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				Ø

Source: General Plan.

#### Explanation:

The proposed project would not result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that (a) would be of value to the region and the residents of the State because the project site is not located in a mineral rich area nor does it involve any mining practices.

(b) There are no known locally important mineral resources at the project site. The project would have no effects on the availability of a mineral resource.

Mitigation: None required.

	*	Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XI.	NOISE. Would the project result in:				
a)	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise level in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?				Ø
b)	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				区
c)	A substantial permanent increase in the ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				Ø
d)	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				Ø
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan, or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				図
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				Ø

Source: General Plan.

### Explanation:

- (a-d) The proposed project is located adjacent to residential neighborhoods, however the existing and proposed units are not expected to have a noise impact on the adjacent areas.
- (e,f) The project is not located within the vicinity of a private airstrip, and would not expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels. The project site is not located within two miles of an airport.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XII.	POPULATION AND HOUSING. Would the project			·	
a)	Induce substantial growth in an area either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?				Ø
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?			П	Ø
c)	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				図

Source: General Plan

## Explanation:

(a-c) The project site is located on Albertoni Avenue, Avalon Boulevard and Victoria Street which is a developed urban area, and is adjacent to a developed residential area. The proposed use will not induce substantial growth such as offsite roadways, infrastructure, or other residential developments, nor will it displace housing or residents.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XIII.	PUBLIC SERVICES.				
a)	Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any public services:				<b>a</b>
	Fire protection?			П	Ø
	Police protection?				Ø
	Schools?				Ø



	Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Parks?			П	Z
Other public facilities?			П	Ø

#### Explanation:

(a) Fire Protection - Fire service to the project site would be provided by the Los Angeles County Fire Department. The project would adhere to all requirements of the Fire Code. The applicant is dedicating 39 feet to the adjacent Fire Station No. 116.

Police Protection - Police protection would be provided by the Los Angeles County Sheriffs Department (Carson Substation).

Schools - The mobile home park is a senior park and will generate very few students.

Parks - The proposed project is not expected to require additional parks or impact existing parks.

Other public facilities – The proposed project is not expected to create any significant impacts to other public facilities. The City would maintain its roads and other public facilities without adverse effects on service capabilities.



		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XIV.	RECREATION.		-		
a)	Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration the facility would occur to be accelerated?				Ø
b)	Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse effect on the environment?				Ø

Source: General Plan

## Explanation:

(a-b) The proposed project is not expected to generate the need for additional parks or expansion of existing parks. No impact is expected.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XV.	TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC. Would the project:				
a)	Cause an increase in traffic, which is substantial in relation to the existing system (i.e., result in a substantial increase in either the number of vehicle trips, the volume to capacity ratio on roads, or congestion at intersections)?				<u> </u>
b)	Exceed, either individually or cumulatively, a level of service standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads?	- <b>-</b>			Ø
c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?				Ø
d)	Substantially increase hazards due to design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				团



		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
e)	Result in inadequate emergency access?	П	О		Ø
f)	Result in inadequate parking capacity?				₽ <b>Z</b>
g)	Conflicts with adopted policies, plans, or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)?				Ŋ

## Explanation:

The additional traffic from 21 mobile home units occupied by seniors will not have a significant impact on traffic.

## Mitigation:

None required.

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XVI.	UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS.  Would the project:				
a)	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?				Ø
b)	Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?		. 0		Ø
c)	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				N
d)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?				Ø
e)	Result in determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				Ø

f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?		. П	Ø
g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?	. П		Ø

#### Explanation:

- (a) The Sanitation District has indicated that there is enough capacity for 21 additional units.
- (b) The project would not require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities.
- (c) The project will not result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities.
- (d) The project would continue to be served by the existing water service provider. No impacts are anticipated.
- (e) The project would not result in the generation of wastewater in excess of the capacities of the current wastewater treatment provider.
- (f) Solid waste generated during project construction and operation would be transported to an appropriate disposal facility.
- (g) The project would comply with all federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid wastes. Therefore, no impacts are identified.



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XVII.	MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE.				
a)	Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?				Ø
b)	Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?		D	<b>-</b>	Ø
c)	Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?		П	О	Ø

#### Explanation:

- The project area is developed and does not contain any sensitive, protected, rare, or endangered (a) wildlife or vegetation. No impacts area anticipated.
- (b) The proposed project is in conformance with the General Plan.
- The proposed project is not expected to have substantial adverse effects on residents. This is (c) considered a less than significant impact.

Mitigation: None required.

#### Earlier Analysis

Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, one or more effects\may have been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration, Section 15603(c)(3)(D).

Signature

Printed Name

## ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

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	Lesthetics	☐ Agricultural Resources	☐ Air Quality
□В	iological Resources	☐ Cultural Resources	☐ Geology / Soils
ΠН	azards & Hazardous Materials	☐ Hydrology / Water Quality	☐ Land Use / Planning
□м	ineral Resources	□ Noise	☐ Population / Housing
□ Pı	ıblic Services	☐ Recreation	☐ Transportation / Traffic
□ U	tilities /Service Systems	☐ Mandatory Findings of Significance	
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## **CITY OF CARSON**

# PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

PUBLIC HEARING:	February 26, 2008				
SUBJECT:	Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74				
APPLICANT:	Colony Cove Properties c/o James Associates 255 N. El Cielo Rd. Suite 140-285 Palm Springs, CA 92262				
REQUEST:	To permit an additional 21 mobile home spaces to an existing 404-unit mobile home park (Colon Cove Mobile Estates) located on approximately 5 acres in the RM-8-D (Residential, Multi-family – units per acre – Design Overlay) zone district.				
PROPERTY INVOLVED:	17700 Avalon Boulevard				
	COMMISSION ACTION				
Concurred with staff Did not concur with staff Other	Vice-Chair Hudson moved, seconded by Commissioner Saenz, to continue that matter to the March 25, 2008, Planning Commission meeting to allow the applicants time to confer with staff on Condition Nos. 47 through 52. Motion carried.				

## **COMMISSIONERS' VOTE**

AYE	NO		AYE	NO		
		Chairperson Faletogo			Graber	*******
		Vice Chair Hudson			Saenz	<del></del>
		Cannon			Verrett	

Item No. 11B
EXHIBIT NO. - 4



## I. <u>Introduction</u>

On July 24, 2006, the applicant submitted an application for the addition of 21 mobile home spaces to the existing Colony Cove Mobile Home Estates, a 404-unit, renter occupied, mobile home park located at 17700 Avalon Boulevard. The applicant intends to provide additional parking and passive recreation areas and designate five of the mobile home spaces as affordable housing. The applicant will also contribute a portion of property to the Los Angeles County Fire Department to allow for an expansion to Fire Station No. 116. This application includes the following discretionary permit:

Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74 – Addition of 21 mobile home spaces to existing 404-unit mobile home park.

## II. Background

The subject property is located on the east side of Avalon Boulevard, north of Victoria Street and south of Albertoni Street. The property is 52.46 acres in area and zoned RM-8-D (Residential, Multi-family — 8 Dwelling Units per Acre — Design Overlay). Colony Cove Mobile Estates, built in 1975, was authorized by Special Use Permit No. 106-74.

## Surrounding Area

Adjacent to the northwest of the subject site is a retail fast-food establishment, and to the southwest is a small retail strip center and public library. Along the south boundary of the subject property is Fire Station 116 and south, across Victoria Street, is California State University, Dominguez Hills. To the east is the Stevenson Village housing tract comprised of two-story, single-family residential homes. The north property line of the subject property faces Albertoni Street and the 91 Freeway.

The applicant has applied for a subdivision to convert the existing mobile home park to resident ownership. A moratorium is currently in effect prohibiting the consideration of any mobile home park conversions. Consideration of the request for the additional 21 units has no bearing on the pending subdivision application.

## III. Analysis

There were oil fields and oil wells in use prior to most of the development on and in the vicinity of the subject property. Oil wells previously occupied many of the proposed mobile home spaces. These wells have since been properly removed and capped pursuant to California Division of Oil and Geothermal Resources requirements, according to documents submitted by the applicant. These areas are considered safe for occupancy. Other proposed spaces are currently occupied by open areas, marked and unmarked guest parking areas, and trash enclosure locations. The applicant intends to clean up the vacant areas, grade them (if necessary), and prepare them for mobile home occupancy. This application is not for a subdivision of land, but to add additional mobile home spaces to the existing 52 acre lot.



The original permit was approved as a Special Use Permit, which was the predecessor to what is now called a Conditional Use Permit (changed in 1978). Although the entitlement nomenclature has changed, the findings remain the same, pursuant to CMC Section 9172.21.

Findings: Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74

- a). The proposed use and development will be consistent with the General Plan
  The General Plan Housing Element calls for the the promotion of a variety of
  housing types, including mobile homes, and the development of quality
  affordable housing. The proposed 21 units exceeds the maximum density
  allowed in the zone of 8 units per acre. The applicant intends to provide
  affordable housing opportunites for five of the 21 new spaces (25%). Pursuant to
  state housing guidelines, the maximum density for a zone may be exceeded
  provided the new development offers a minimum percentage of affordable
  housing. This proposal is compliant with this requirement. Thus, the
  development will facilitate achievement of goals and objectives of the General
  Plan.
- b). The site is adequate in size, shape, topography, location, utilities, and other factors to accommodate the proposed use and development. The project site is 52.54 acres in area, flat, and square-shaped. The location is suitable for the use, and there are adequate facilities to serve the subject property and intended use.
- c). There will be adequate street access and traffic capacity

  Primary access to the subject property is via two driveways on the west side from Avalon Boulevard, which is a major thoroughfare running the length of the city and sufficient in width and capacity to serve the anticipated cumulative traffic impact created by the proposed mobile home expansion. Emergency vehicle access is provided by crash gates in two locations on the east side of the subject property along Rainsbury Avenue.
- d). There will be adequate water supply for fire protection

  There are many fire hydrants located throughout the subject property. There is adequate water supply for the hydrants and sufficient access for fire department equipment and personnel in the event of an emergency.
- e). The proposed use and development will be compatible with the intended character of the area

  The zoning for the property calls for multi-family residential uses, which the proposed use is compabitle with. The proposed spaces will occupy existing areas within the mobile home park, which is consistent with the intended character of the area.
- f). Such other criteria as are specified for the particular use in other Sections of this Chapter

  The project is compliant with applicable zoning codes and other criteria as specified for the use in the zoning code.



### Issue of Concern: Affordable Housing Opportunities

The applicant is requesting to add 21 additional mobile home spaces to the existing 404-unit park, for a total of 425 units. The density allowed pursuant to the property's RM-8-D zoning designation is eight units per acre, which is a maximum of 420 units. As previously stated, state housing guidelines allow the maximum density for a zone to be exceeded provided the new development offers a minimum percentage of affordable housing. The applicant is proposing to have 25 per cent of the new units deemed affordable, which is consistent with the State requirement. The level of affordability is to be determined by agreement with the city. The actual location of the affordable units is to be dispersed among the new spaces in the park, so that there is equal distribution of affordable units in the park. It is anticipated that someday the applicant will apply for a subdivision conversion of the existing mobile home park to provide home ownership opportunities for the residents. happens, the affordable units created by the approval of the 21 unit expansion will remain affordable after the subdivision occurs, although the actual location of the affordable units may differ from their location prior to the subdivision. In either case, the rent plus the monthly cost of the unit must not exceed income levels as defined by an agreement with the city. The applicant may have to subsidize the purchase of the unit to qualify as an affordable unit. The details of the program have not been finalized.

MITIGATION: Conditions of approval have been added to the attached resolution to ensure that five of the 21 new units remain affordable for low-income renters, until such time that a subdivision conversion occurs, and affordable, at levels to be determined by an agreement with the city, for potential homeowners if and when a subdivision conversion is completed.

#### Issue of Concern: Land Dedication

The southern border of the subject property is adjacent to Los Angeles County Fire Station No. 116. The rear yards of two of the proposed spaces are adjacent to the east side of the fire station. The Fire Department has recently submitted an application for expansion of the fire station by adding a new truck bay to the east side of the existing building and additional employee parking areas along the east property line. In order to accommodate the fire department's proposed expansion the applicant has agreed to adjust the subject property lot lines to provide 39-feet to the fire station.

MITIGATION: A condition of approval has been added to the attached resolution which requires that the applicant adjust the subject property lot lines to accommodate the 39-feet of land to facilitate the fire department expansion.

Issue of Concern: Mobile Home Park Community Concerns

The applicant held a community meeting with Colony Cove residents December 12, 2007, in the Colony Cove community center. Staff held a subsequent meeting with park community stakeholders on January 22, 2008 and conducted individual



meetings with interested residents. Residents raised a variety of issues, which include the following:

- a). Guest parking concerns, in terms of the number of spaces and location of guest parking areas;
- b). Rent control issues for the 21 additional units:
- c). Potential contamination from oil well debris and residue from previous oil well usage in vicinity;
- d). Trash enclosure locations and issues related to collection methods and times;
- e). Storage and location of maintenance facilities for homeowner's association, including emergency response vehicle ("people-mover") and related equipment;
- f). Capital improvement cost issues;
- g). Parks and open space location and quantity;
- h). Traffic issues, potential modifications to existing patterns.

The applicant addresses these issues as follows:

- a). The zoning code requires one guest parking space for every four units. There are 108 existing guest parking spaces, including nine disabled parking spaces. The development plans include an additional 32 guest parking spaces, for a total of 144 guest parking spaces, including 18 parking spaces for the disabled. The applicant has worked with staff and community stakeholders to provide the new guest parking in dispersed locations among the park so that guest parking is accessible by visitors to all areas of the park. Numerous revisions were made to the proposed site plan to accommodate various requests concerning the quantity and location of guest parking. Staff believes that the current layout is sufficient to meet the stated needs of the residents.
- b). Currently, Colony Cove Mobile Estates is required to maintain affordable rental rates for the 404 existing units pursuant to the Carson Rent Stabilization Ordinance. Any new units are exempt from rent control and will be offered at market rate rents, except for the five new units that the applicant will provide as affordable housing for income levels to be determined by agreement with the city. If approved then, 409 of the 425 mobile home units will be required to maintain affordable rental rates.
- c). The applicant has provided documentation of "no further action" letters for each of the former oil well sites from the State Department of Oil and Geothermal Resources, which is indicative of proper capping and abandonment of those sites. According to the applicant, the sites have been found to be free of contaminants and safe for residential occupation.
- d). Residents were concerned with the lack of adequate waste disposal facilities, including recycling bins in the park, and the dilapidated condition of existing trash enclosures. Staff has worked with the applicant to revise the development plans to include trash enclosure locations and details. The applicant has agreed to



- provide additional trash enclosures throughout the park, including a larger trash and recycling area located near the community center. Conditions of approval have been added to the attached resolution to ensure that existing trash enclosures are upgraded to current municipal code standards, and new trash enclosures and recycling areas are provided.
- e). Certain members of the homeowner association currently house emergency equipment and related paraphernalia in their homes and carport. Years ago, a luggage moving vehicle was donated to the homeowner's association which is currently housed in a resident's carport. The association maintains this vehicle for use in the event of a major catastrophe or other emergency. It is referred to as the "people-mover". According to park residents, discussions with the property manager resulted in a tentative agreement to provide a location in the new development plan for a maintenance shed for storage of emergency equipment and general storage for the association, and a covered carport for the "people-mover". The applicant has provided space along the new parking area in the northwest corner of the property for the equipment shed and a covered carport space.
- f). Any request for a capital rent increase will be reviewed pursuant to the standard procedures utilized by the Mobilehome Rent Review Board.
- g). According to Condition of Approval No. 10, in Exhibit "B" of Planning Commission Resolution No. 74-277 approving Special Use Permit No. 106-74, the recreation facility shall be no less than one-hundred square feet per mobile home unit in size. The additional 21 proposed units would increase this amount by 2,100 square feet. The applicant has identified a number of pocket parks adjacent to proposed guest parking areas, which are located throughout Colony Cove. Benches and tables will be provided in each park. The total square footage of new open-space park areas exceeds 12,000 square-feet. Staff considers this sufficient to meet the intent of that condition.
- h). There were issues raised concerning the existing traffic patterns in the park and the cumulative traffic impacts associated with 21 additional units. Although staff does not anticipate increased traffic from the park as a result of the additional units, the city Traffic Engineer provided an assessment of potential traffic outlets from the park which would help to mitigate any potential traffic impacts. There were two alternatives suggested, which included a new driveway onto Albertoni Street from Madison Drive on the north side of the park, and from Villa West on the east side of the park onto Rainsbury Drive. Both alternatives were not feasible, according to the Traffic Engineer, as they would cause deleterious effects over and above those which may result from using the existing entrance and exit from Avalon Boulevard. Staff suggests that the applicant leave the traffic control pattern in its current state.

### IV. Environmental Review

Based upon analysis of the environmental impact of the proposed project, a Negative Declaration has been prepared, pursuant to CEQA regulations. The 20-day period for public review and comment on this Negative Declaration ended February 26, 2008. No comments have been received by the Planning Department regarding the Negative Declaration.

## V. <u>Conclusion</u>

This project will provide an increased amount of affordable housing opportunities, rental housing, sufficient upgrades to the existing mobile home park, and help to facilitate the achievement of General Plan Housing Element goals and objectives.

# VI. Recommendation

That the Planning Commission:

- ADOPT the Negative Declaration;
- APPROVE Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74; and
- WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, entitled "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of Carson approving Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74 for the addition of 21 mobile home spaces to an existing 404-unit mobile home park located at 17700 Avalon Boulevard."

## IV. <u>Exhibits</u>

- 1. Site Plan, Floor Plan, Elevations (under separate cover)
- Land Use Map
- 3. Resolution
- 4. Initial Study and Negative Declaration

Prepared by:

Steven C. Newberg, AICP, Associate Planner

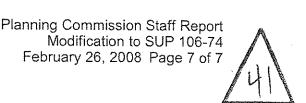
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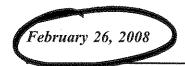
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Approved by:

Sheri Repp-Loadsman) Planning Division Manager

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### Staff's Report and Recommendation:

Associate Planner Newberg presented staff report and the recommendation to ADOPT the Negative Declaration; APPROVE Relocation Review No. 3037; RECOMMEND approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 671-07 to the City Council; and WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No.\_\_\_\_, entitled, "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the city of Carson approving Relocation Review No. 3037 and recommending approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 671-07 to the City Council to permit the construction of a pre-fabricated office building on an Organic Refuse Landfill designated property located at 19200 Main Street."

Chairman Faletogo opened the public hearing.

Leon Felus, project architect, noted his concurrence with the conditions of approval.

Chairman Faletogo closed the public hearing.

### Planning Commission Decision:

Commissioner Verrett moved, seconded by Commissioner Graber, to approve the request, thus adopting Resolution No. 08-2191. Motion carried.

## 11. PUBLIC HEARING

B) Modification to Special Use Permit (SUP) No. 106-74

#### Applicant's Request:

The applicant, Colony Cove Properties, is requesting to permit an additional 21 mobile home spaces to an existing 404-unit mobile home park (Colony Cove Mobile Estates) located on approximately 52 acres in the RM-8-D (Residential, Multi-Family – 8 units per acre – Design Overlay) zoned district. The subject address is 17700 Avalon Boulevard.

#### Staff Report and Recommendation:

Associate Planner Newberg presented staff report and the recommendation to ADOPT the Negative Declaration; APPROVE Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74; and WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No.\_\_\_\_\_, entitled, "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the city of Carson approving Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74 for the addition of 21 mobile home spaces to an existing 404-unit mobile home park located at 17700 Avalon Boulevard."

Chairman Faletogo opened the public hearing.

Nader and Suhair Qoborsi, Foresight Engineering representing the applicant, highlighted on a map the areas being proposed for the 21 mobile homes, the trash enclosure, dog run area, parking and handicapped parking, and the new green areas inside the park.

Thomas Casparian, attorney representing the applicant, noted his opposition to Condition Nos. 47 through 52, believing these conditions do not have a reasonable



relationship to the impact of the proposed 21 spaces to this development; he mentioned that the applicant is dedicating 4,200 square feet of land to the fire department for their future expansion on Victoria Street; and asked that this matter be continued to March 25, 2008, to allow for an opportunity to meet with staff and discuss these six conditions, noting these conditions will end up costing them approximately \$750,000. He expressed his belief these conditions also constitute a taking of Colony Cove's property without just compensation and is a violation of their due process rights.

Assistant City Attorney Galante stated he disagrees with Mr. Casparian's comments regarding what the law allows the City to impose, pointing out the City's Municipal Code gives staff the authority to impose these six conditions. He added that it was the applicant's offer to dedicate the 4,200 square feet to the fire department; mentioned that the applicant can withdraw the offer to dedicate that land; stated that the conditions were not created after the fact; and reiterated that the conditions of approval are appropriately supported by the City's codes.

Bill Smalley, park resident, stated the proposed 21 spaces exceed the maximum density for this property; expressed his belief the proposal should be reduced by five spaces; and stated the last six conditions are excessive. With regard to Site D, he noted his opposition to adding up to 8 additional parking spaces on the south side of this area because it will negatively impact ingress/egress from the property and create an unsafe traffic condition.

Gary Roberts, park resident, stated the applicant should apply for a variance to exceed the maximum density by five extra units, expressing his belief a variance is still required regardless of their affordability.

Dr. Rita Boggs, resident, highlighted the proposed five affordable units, questioning whether under the rent control program, these five conditions would result in five percent of any expenses being chargeable to the rent of the entire park; and stated if that is the case, the City should be careful with imposing new conditions upon the applicant when those conditions would generate a financial impact upon the park residents.

John Goolsby, park resident, noted his support of the applicant's request and expressed his belief the last six conditions are excessive.

Planning Manager Repp advised that the rent increases for the five affordable units will most likely be guided by the CPI, not the City's rent control program.

Battalion Chief Rick Moreno, local fire department representative, commented on the needs of the adjacent fire station, noting the station needs to be enlarged to accommodate the larger vehicles and greater number of staff that use this fire station.

### Planning Commission Decision:

Vice-Chair Hudson moved, seconded by Commissioner Saenz, to continue this matter to the March 25, 2008, Planning Commission meeting to allow the applicants time to confer with staff on Condition Nos. 47 through 52. Motion carried.

#### CITY OF CARSON

### PLANNING COMMISSION

## RESOLUTION NO. 08-2196

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CARSON APPROVING MODIFICATION TO SPECIAL USE PERMIT NO. 106-74 FOR THE ADDITION OF 21 MOBILE HOME SPACES TO AN EXISTING 404-UNIT MOBILE HOME PARK LOCATED AT 17700 AVALON BOULEVARD

THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, HEREBY FINDS, RESOLVES AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. An application was duly filed by the applicant, Colony Cove Properties, with respect to real property located at 17700 Avalon Boulevard, and described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, requesting authorization of a Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74 to permit an additional 21 mobile home spaces to an existing 404-unit mobile home park (Colony Cove Mobile Estates) located on approximately 52 acres in the RM-8-D (Residential, Multi-family – 8 units per acre – Design Overlay) zone district.

Public hearings were duly held February 26, 2008 and March 25, 2008, at 6:30 P.M. at City Hall, Council Chambers, 701 East Carson Street, Carson, California. A notice of time, place and purpose of the aforesaid meetings were duly given.

<u>Section 2</u>. Evidence, both written and oral, was duly presented to and considered by the Planning Commission at the aforesaid meetings.

## <u>Section 3</u>. The Planning Commission finds that:

- a) The General Plan Housing Element calls for the promotion of a variety of housing types, including mobile homes, and the development of quality affordable housing. The proposed 21 units exceeds the maximum density allowed in the zone of 8 units per acre. The applicant intends to provide additional mobile home spaces and affordable housing opportunities for five of the new spaces. The mobile home park is allowed to exceed the maximum density provided they provide affordable housing. In doing so, the development will facilitate achievement of goals and objectives of the General Plan.
- b) The project site is 52.54 acres in area, flat, and square-shaped. The location is suitable for the use, and there are adequate facilities to serve the subject property and intended use.
- c) Primary access to the subject property is via two driveways on the west side from Avalon Boulevard, which is a major thoroughfare running the length of the city. Avalon Boulevard is considered sufficient in width and capacity to serve the anticipated cumulative traffic impact created by the proposed mobile home expansion. Emergency vehicle access is provided by crash gates in two locations along the east side of the subject property, facing Rainsbury Avenue.
- d) There are a sufficient number fire hydrants located throughout the subject property to facilitate the suppression of fire. There is adequate water supply for the hydrants and efficient means of access for fire department equipment and personnel in the event of an emergency.

- e) The zoning for the property calls for multi-family residential uses, with which the proposed use is compatible. The proposed spaces will occupy existing areas within the mobile home park, which is consistent with the intended character of the area.
- f) The proposed site plan is designed to mitigate park residents' concerns voiced in community meetings between staff, the applicant and park residents during the review process of this application, and has been revised in response to the salient issues raised by residents in these meetings.

<u>Section 4.</u> The Planning Commission further finds that the use permitted by the proposed Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74 will not have a significant effect on the environment as indicated in the Initial Study and Negative Declaration prepared for this project. The proposed use will not alter the character of the surrounding area and meets or exceeds all City standards for protection of the environment. The Planning Commission hereby adopts the Negative Declaration.

<u>Section 5</u>. Based on the aforementioned findings, the Commission hereby grants a Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74, with respect to the property described in Section 1 hereof, subject to the conditions set forth in Exhibit "B" attached hereto, and adopts the Negative Declaration.

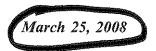
<u>Section 6</u>. The Secretary shall certify the adoption of this Resolution and shall transmit copies of the same to the applicant.

<u>Section 7</u>. This action shall become final and effective fifteen days after the adoption of this Resolution unless within such time an appeal is filed with the City Clerk in accordance with the provisions of the Carson Zoning Ordinance.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 25th DAY OF MARCH, 2008.

ATTEST

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**MOTION:** Commissioner Saenz moved, seconded by Commissioner Cannon, to approve the March 11, 2008, Minutes as presented. Motion carried (absent Chairman Faletogo).

9. NEW BUSINESS CONSENT

None.

### 10. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING

A) Modification to Special Use Permit (SUP) No. 106-74

### Applicant's Request:

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#### Staff Report and Recommendation:

Associate Planner Newberg presented staff report and the recommendation to ADOPT the Negative Declaration; APPROVE Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74; and WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No.\_\_\_\_\_, entitled, "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the city of Carson approving Modification to Special Use Permit No. 106-74 for the addition of 21 mobile home spaces to an existing 404-unit mobile home park located at 17700 Avalon Boulevard."

Responding to Commissioner Verrett's inquiry with respect t to the requirement for the street lights, Assistant City Attorney Galante stated this requirement is standard based on the City's code requirements, noting that a project's reasonable impacts necessitate standard improvements; and he added that these upgrades comply with the County's standards.

Planning Manager Repp pointed out that some conditions reflected in the previous staff report were removed to minimize the cost to the applicant.

Principal Civil Engineer Abolfathi explained that the missing street lights on Rainsbury do not meet Los Angeles County's requirements and stated it is typical for the City to require missing improvements on new development projects. He stated that staff and the applicant arrived at some compromised agreements on staff's recommended conditions during the last month; and he pointed out the street lighting is a safety issue.

Commissioner Verrett expressed her belief the current lighting on Rainsbury is sufficient.

Vice-Chair Hudson opened the public hearing.

Suhair Qoborsi, project engineer, provided an overview of the project, showing existing conditions and proposed plans; and expressed her belief there is adequate lighting on Rainsbury Street due to the park's security flood lights that light the area. She requested deleting Condition No. 48, "The applicant shall install streetlights on concrete

poles with underground wiring on Rainsbury Avenue to the satisfaction of the L.A. County Street Lighting Division, Department of Public Works."

Vice-Chair Hudson asked if these flood lights could be repositioned to benefit the lighting on Rainsbury Street.

Commissioner Verrett questioned if more lights could be added to the existing flood light pole.

Principal Civil Engineer Abolfathi explained that the City cannot rely on private property lighting sources for its streets and stated that the flood lights are for security of the private property only; and that adding additional lights on this pole could not be considered for the benefit of lighting on Rainsbury.

Thomas Casparian, representing Colony Cove Properties, expressed his belief the conditions are not proportional to what is being proposed, stating the imposed conditions are financially burdensome. He noted his opposition to providing additional lighting on Rainsbury, stating that condition is not economically feasible for the proposed project; and expressed his belief there is adequate lighting on Rainsbury and that additional lighting would negatively impact the residents living in the area. He noted his opposition to Condition Nos. 10 and 47.

John Goolsby, park resident, noted his opposition to requiring more street lighting on Rainsbury, believing there is already adequate lighting in the area.

Gary Roberts, park resident, expressed his belief there is adequate lighting on Rainsbury, suggesting that lighting be put on Rainsbury if in the future an entry/exit is placed onto that street; and noted his concern with the applicant's proposal for parking at the front, noting it creates a hazard for the residents.

Dr. Rita Boggs, resident, noted her opposition to putting in more lighting on Rainsbury; pointed out that capital improvements will be charged back to the park residents; and stated that the park residents should not have to pay for offsite improvements that are missing.

Ray May, resident, stated that the current lighting on Rainsbury is adequate.

Bill Smalley, park resident, noted his support for placing a street light on Rainsbury in the future should there be access off Rainsbury from this park; and noted his concern with the safety of placing additional parking at the main egress/ingress of the park.

Staff indicated the applicant has revised the plan for parking at the front.

Vice-Chair Hudson closed the public hearing.

# Planning Commission Decision:

Commissioner Verrett moved, seconded by Commissioner Graber, to approve the applicant's request, thus adopting Resolution No. 08-2196, and including the following changes to the conditions of approval:

Condition No. 3: add to the end, "Should an affordable housing agreement between the applicant and the City not be finalized, as required by Condition No. 10, a modification to the site plan shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission to authorize an alternative use for the five units."

Condition No. 10, fifth line, change the words "low-income" to "affordable."

Condition No. 10: add to the end, "Notwithstanding the foregoing, the applicant shall have no obligation to comply with this condition in the event that the City and the applicant are unable to come to an agreement on applicable rental rates and the affordable housing agreement for the five affordable units (see Condition No. 5)."

Condition No. 48: add at the beginning, "In the event that the applicant proposes future improvements allowing vehicular access entering or exiting onto Rainsbury Avenue (apart from the two existing 'crash gates'), the applicant shall..."

Motion carried (absent Chairman Faletogo).

### 11. PUBLIC HEARING

### A) Conditional Use Permit No. 616-06

### Applicant's Request:

The applicant, BP West Coast Products, LLC, is requesting the construction of two additional petroleum tanks to an existing tank farm located at 1150 East Sepulveda Boulevard.

### Staff Report and Recommendation:

Assistant Planner Castillo presented staff report and the recommendation to APPROVE the Statement of Overriding Considerations for the Final EIR; APPROVE the Findings of Fact for the Final EIR; CERTIFY the Final EIR; APPROVE Conditional Use Permit No. 616-06, subject to the conditions attached as Exhibit "B" to the Resolution; and WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ entitled, "A Resolution of the Planning Commission of the city of Carson approving Conditional Use Permit No. 616-06 for the construction of two petroleum storage tanks to an existing tank farm located at 1150 East Sepulveda Boulevard." He deleted Condition No. 3.

Vice-Chair Hudson opened the public hearing.

Walter Neil, representing BP West Coast Products, noted his concurrence with the conditions of approval.

Vice-Chair Hudson closed the public hearing.

### Planning Commission Decision:

Commissioner Saenz moved, seconded by Commissioner Verrett, to approve the applicant's request, thus adopting Resolution No. 08-2197. Motion carried (absent Chairman Faletogo).

#### 12. **NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION** None.