TO: Joe Marsh, Port Permit Coordinator
FROM: Colleen Liang, Port Associate Environmental Scientist
DATE: December 7, 2016
SUBJECT: PORT PERMIT COORDINATOR DECISION
for Work on Private Property

The Port of Oakland (Port) Permits Section staff and Environmental Programs and Planning staff have reviewed the subject Port Development Permit Application. We find the proposal meets the applicable standards of the "Port of Oakland Land Use and Development Code (LUDC) for the Oakland Airport Business Park". Detailed analysis and findings are set forth below.

Port Permit No: 5118
Permit Applicant: Anabi Oil
Tenant: Shell Station
Property Owner: Anabi Oil
Project Location: 285 Hegenberger Road, Oakland
Environ. Assessment: Categorical Exemption

Project Description

The project site is located in the southwestern portion of the City of Oakland (City), in the vicinity of Oakland International Airport and Interstate 880 (I-880). The address of the proposed project is located at 285 Hegenberger Road, Oakland, CA.

The project applicant proposes to replace the existing price sign located at the median (on the subject property) along Hegenberger Road with a new illuminated price sign at the gasoline service station (Shell). The new sign will be 15 feet high and 7.25 feet wide, and will be located in the median approximately 40 feet to the north of the existing sign.

The proposed replacement sign could not be approved without a variance because the height of the new sign (15 feet) exceeds the height allowed in the LUDC, Section 4.2.A.2 (10 feet). Therefore, a public hearing was held at 1:00 on Monday, November 14, 2016 for the variance request located at 285 Hegenberger Road, Oakland, California.

The Port Executive Director's designated Public Hearing Officer (PHO - Richard Sinkoff, Director of Environmental Programs and Planning) received information and comments on the application. The project applicant and Port staff were in attendance, no members of the public attended. Mr. Sinkoff approved the variance as presented based on the information in the Permit Coordinator's Report.

The Notice of Decision was posted on the Port's website and in the Oakland Tribune.
newspaper. The Notice of Decision was also sent to property owners within 300 feet of the project site. The administrative appeal period on the PHO’s decision was for 14 days following the Notice of Decision. No appeals were received, therefore the PHO’s decision became final on November 30, 2016 (included additional time due to the Thanksgiving Holiday).

**Surrounding Area**

The project site is located within the Oakland Airport Business Park, Commercial Corridor. Hegenberger Road is a commercial corridor leading to Oakland International Airport. The project site is also within the Coliseum/Hegenberger Planning District of the Coliseum Area Redevelopment Project Area established by the City of Oakland in 1995, and expanded to a total of 6,764 acres in 1997.

**Land Use Analysis (from LUDC Section 2)**

The project site is located within the “Port Area” of the City of Oakland, and within the Commercial Corridor of the Oakland Airport Business Park, originally established by Port Ordinance No.1343 by the Board of Port Commissioners in 1966. Development in the Business Park is currently regulated by the “Port of Oakland Land Use and Development Code (LUDC)”, adopted by the Board of Port Commissioners in June 2011, and revised in April 2016. The project is for a canopy to provide support for the existing use at the site.

**Findings (from LUDC Section 5.5)**

The Port approves this application for a Development Permit, as submitted, with the following findings:

1. The proposed project will not be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, morals, comfort or general welfare of persons working, visiting, transiting through the Oakland Airport Business Park or be detrimental or injurious to property and improvements of the adjacent properties, the surrounding area or neighborhood or to the general welfare of the City.

2. The proposed project is consistent with the City of Oakland’s General Plan.

3. The proposed project complies with provisions of the LUDC.

4. The proposed project has been adequately evaluated under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), see below for further details.

5. The proposed project has been approved, or has a reasonable chance of being approved, by all outside agencies having jurisdiction over the project, including, but not limited to: the City of Oakland, Bay Conservation and Development Commission, Federal Aviation Administration, San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, Alameda County Airport Land Use Commission, Alameda County Public Health Department, and the California State Lands Commission.

6. The proposed project will neither interfere with the operations of Oakland International Airport nor enable the establishment of uses that may be incompatible with the potential imposition of noise, light, smoke, air currents, electronic or other emissions, vibrations, discomfort, and/or inconvenience resulting from airport operations at Oakland International Airport.
7. The Port has attached such conditions to issuance of the Development Permit as it deems reasonable or necessary to achieve the purposes of the LUDC, to reduce or to mitigate environmental impacts, and to address the project's anticipated burden on the Business Park and the Port, and which conditions otherwise promote the health, safety, and welfare of the surrounding community.

Environmental Findings

The Port is the Lead Agency under CEQA, having land use jurisdiction over the Oakland Airport Business Park. The project boundaries are located in a developed area, and improvements will be made to an existing facility. The Port finds that this project is categorically exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, which exempts construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another were only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure.

Permit Conditions

1. All conditions of approval shall be printed on the final permit set of plans.

2. The project shall conform to Port-stamped approved plans, including the conditions of approval, unless otherwise approved by the Port. The applicant is responsible for including all details agreed upon, or conditions made by the Port, during the approval process. Failure to include any such details will not exempt the applicant from the Port for any changes prior to construction.

3. The use shall be fully described on the plans and is deemed approved by the Port approval stamp. Any modifications or clarifications will be included in the Specific Conditions. Any changes from the approved plans must be approved in writing by the Port.

4. The Project Applicant shall obtain, at the Project Applicant’s expense, all City of Oakland building permits required for the Project.

5. The Project Applicant and the Project Applicant’s contractor shall construct the Project according to the plans approved under Port and City permits. Modifications made to comply with City of Oakland permit requirements shall be subject to verification of compliance with Port permit conditions prior to the start of construction.

6. The Project Applicant shall maintain the Project site in a clean and orderly condition during the entire term of the Development Permit. If there is a work stoppage at any time after construction has commenced for a period of more than 30 days, the Project Applicant shall secure any completed or uncompleted work and remove or screen any stored materials. The Chief Engineer of the Port may provide a 30-day notice and order to the Project Applicant to comply with this condition. If the Project Applicant fails to comply during that time period, or fails to present and implement an acceptable plan for compliance, the Port maintains the right at Port’s discretion, to complete the necessary work and bill the Project Applicant for all related costs, or impose reasonable fines for violation of this condition of approval and/or the Port Chief Engineer’s order. Any such fine shall be reasonably related to the nature of the violation and/or the cost to correct.
7. To the maximum extent permitted by law, the Project Applicant shall defend, hold harmless, and indemnify the Port and its respective officers, agents and employees (whether the action is on behalf of the Port, or otherwise) (the "Indemnified Parties") against any and all liability, damages, claims, demands, judgments or other losses (including, without limitation, attorneys fees, expert witness and consultant fees and other litigation expenses), referendum or initiative relating to, resulting from or caused by, or alleged to have resulted from, or caused by, any action or approval associated with the Project. This indemnity includes, without limitation, any legal or administrative challenge, referendum or initiative filed or prosecuted to overturn, set aside, stay or otherwise rescind any or all approvals granted in connection with the Project, any environmental determination made for the Project, and granting any permit issued in accordance with the Project. This indemnity includes, without limitation, payment of all direct and indirect costs associated with any action specified herein. Direct and indirect costs as used herein shall include, without limitation, any attorney's fees, expert witness and consultant fees, court costs and other litigation fees, Port Attorney time and overhead costs, and other Port Staff overhead costs and normal day-to-day business expenses incurred by the Port ("Litigation Expenses"). The Indemnified Parties shall have the right to select counsel to represent the Indemnified Parties, at the Project Applicant's expense, in the defense of any action specified in this condition of approval. The Indemnified Parties shall take all reasonable steps to promptly notify the Project Applicant of any claim, demand, or legal actions that may create a claim for indemnification under these conditions of approval.

8. The Applicant shall agree to comply with any other conditions added by the Permit Hearing Officer as well as any other conditions listed in the LUDC not otherwise listed here.

RECOMMENDED:

Environmental Programs and Planning: 

Colleen Liang, Port Associate Environmental Scientist

Date: 12/7/16

DECISION:

Port Permit Coordinator: ☐ Approve ☐ Deny

Signature: Joe Marsh, Port Permit Coordinator

Date: 12/7/16

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Project Design Drawings
INSTALL NEW INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED D/F PRICE/ID SIGN

SCALE: 3/8" = 1' - 0"

REMOVE EXISTING PRICE/ID SIGN
PROPOSED VIEW TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON HEGENBERGER RD.

LOOKING NORTH ON SOUTHBOUND HEGENBERGER RD.

REMOVE EXISTING PRICE/ID SIGN
PERMIT EXISTING 5'X3' POLE SIGN
15 sq.ft.

08.09.16 - PER CITY REQUIREMENTS
POLE SIGN AND FLAG BANNERS
AT CORNER MUST BE REMOVED.