



## PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA

June 29, 2009

7:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers

701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025

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**CALL TO ORDER** – 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** – Bressler, Ferrick, Kadvany, Keith, O'Malley (Vice chair), Pagee, Riggs (Chair)

**INTRODUCTION OF STAFF** – Deanna Chow, Senior Planner; Megan Fisher, Associate Planner

### **A. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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### **B. CONSENT - None**

### **C. PUBLIC HEARING**

1. [Architectural Control, Heritage Tree Removal, Right-of-Way Abandonment, and Environmental Review/City of Menlo Park/501 Laurel Street and 600 Alma Street](#): Proposal to demolish the existing 17,400-square-foot gymnasium and gymnastics building and construct a new 22,500-square-foot gymnastics facility (plus a 1,400-square-foot locker room expansion) at the location of the existing gymnasium and gymnastics building, a new 24,100-square-foot gymnasium in an area between the existing Recreation Center and Alma Street, and associated site improvements located at the Civic Center Complex in the P-F (Public Facilities) zoning district. As a result of this proposal, three heritage trees would need to be removed, and Mielke Drive and a portion of Alma Street right-of-way between Ravenswood Avenue and Burgess Drive would need to be abandoned to accommodate the proposed gymnasium. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the City Council on the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), architectural control for the proposed Burgess Gymnasium design, the three heritage tree removals, and consider whether the proposed right-of-way abandonments are consistent with the General Plan.

### **D. REGULAR BUSINESS - None**

### **E. COMMISSION BUSINESS**

1. Review of planning items on City Council agendas.
  - A. El Camino Real/Downtown Specific Plan (Phase II) Process

### **F. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

#### Future Planning Commission Meeting Schedule

Regular Meeting	July 13, 2009
Regular Meeting	July 27, 2009
Regular Meeting	August 10, 2009
Regular Meeting	August 24, 2009

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