Planning Commission



REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Date: 07/12/2021 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: Zoom.us/join – ID# 997 7358 9076

NOVEL CORONAVIRUS, COVID-19, EMERGENCY ADVISORY NOTICE

On March 19, 2020, the Governor ordered a statewide stay-at-home order calling on all individuals living in the State of California to stay at home or at their place of residence to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus. Additionally, the Governor has temporarily suspended certain requirements of the Brown Act. For the duration of the shelter in place order, the following public meeting protocols will apply.

<u>Teleconference meeting</u>: All members of the Planning Commission, city staff, applicants, and members of the public will be participating by teleconference. To promote social distancing while allowing essential governmental functions to continue, the Governor has temporarily waived portions of the open meetings act and rules pertaining to teleconference meetings. This meeting is conducted in compliance with the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20 issued March 12, 2020, and supplemental Executive Order N-29-20 issued March 17, 2020.

- How to participate in the meeting
 - Submit a written comment online up to 1-hour before the meeting start time: menlopark.org/planningpubliccomment *
 - Access the meeting real-time online at: zoom.us/join – Meeting ID# 997 7358 9076
 - Access the meeting real-time via telephone (listen only mode) at: (669) 900-6833

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Press *9 to raise hand to speak

*Written and recorded public comments and call-back requests are accepted up to 1 hour before the meeting start time. Written and recorded messages are provided to the Planning Commission at the appropriate time in their meeting. Recorded messages may be transcribed using a voice-to-text tool.

- Watch the meeting
 - Online: menlopark.org/streaming

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Regular Meeting

- A. Call To Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Reports and Announcements
- D. Public Comment

Under "Public Comment," the public may address the Commission on any subject not listed on the agenda, and items listed under Consent Calendar. Each speaker may address the Commission once under Public Comment for a limit of three minutes. Please clearly state your name and address or political jurisdiction in which you live. The Commission cannot act on items not listed on the agenda and, therefore, the Commission cannot respond to non-agenda issues brought up under Public Comment other than to provide general information.

E. Consent Calendar

- E1. Approval of minutes from the June 7, 2021, Planning Commission meeting. (Attachment)
- E2. Architectural Control/Chris Thomas/100 Middlefield Road: Request for architectural control to construct a new fence and gate structure on the exterior of an existing commercial building in the C-4 (General Commercial) district. (Staff Report #21-033-PC)

F. Public Hearing

- F1. Use Permit/Stephen Ryu/1026 Cascade Drive:
 - Request for a use permit to construct first-floor additions and perform interior and exterior modifications to an existing nonconforming, single-story, single-family residence in the R-1-S (Single Family Suburban Residential) zoning district. The value of the proposed work would exceed 75 percent of the replacement value of the existing nonconforming structure in a 12-month period and therefore requires a use permit. (Staff Report #21-034-PC)
- F2. Use Permit/Thomas James Homes/420 Laurel Avenue:
 Request for a use permit to demolish an existing one-story, single family residence and detached garage, and construct a new two-story residence with an attached garage on a substandard lot with regard to minimum lot width in the R-1-U (Single Family Urban Residential) zoning district. (Staff Report #21-035-PC)
- F3. Use Permit & Variance/Sunil Chokshi/923 Theresa Court:
 Request for a use permit to construct first and second floor additions and perform interior and exterior modifications to an existing single-story, single-family residence on a substandard lot with regard to lot depth in the R-1-U (Single Family Urban Residential) zoning district. The second floor addition would exceed 50 percent of the existing square footage and therefore requires a use permit. The proposal also includes a variance request to legalize the existing nonconforming, ground-floor front setback, for the purpose of reconstructing eaves. The project also includes a new ground floor accessory dwelling unit (ADU), which is a permitted use. (Staff Report #21-036-PC)

G. Informational Items

G1. Future Planning Commission Meeting Schedule – The upcoming Planning Commission meetings are listed here, for reference. No action will be taken on the meeting schedule, although individual Commissioners may notify staff of planned absences.

Regular Meeting: July 26, 2021Regular Meeting: August 9, 2021

H. Adjournment

At every regular meeting of the Planning Commission, in addition to the public comment period where the public shall have the right to address the Planning Commission on any matters of public interest not listed on the agenda, members of the public have the right to directly address the Planning Commission on any item listed on the agenda at a time designated by the chair, either before or during the Planning Commission's consideration of the item.

At every special meeting of the Planning Commission, members of the public have the right to directly address the Planning Commission on any item listed on the agenda at a time designated by the chair, either before or during consideration of the item. For appeal hearings, appellant and applicant shall each have 10 minutes for presentations.

If you challenge any of the items listed on this agenda in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Menlo Park at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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