



PLANNING COMMISSION ACTIONS

Study Meeting
August 30, 2004
7:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers
701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025

CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Bims (Absent), Deziel, Fergusson (Vice-chair), Henry, Keith, Pagee (Chair), Sinnott

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF – Heineck, McClure

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

B. STUDY SESSION

1. [Alleys in the Willows Neighborhood/City of Menlo Park:](#) Discussion of issues related to alleys located throughout the Willows neighborhood, including ownership and use, new construction, safety and traffic. **COMMISSION ACTION: The Commission accepted public comment on the issue and following discussion came to general agreement that each block with alley access is unique to its specific surroundings and that different approaches to the treatment of alleys should be considered. The Commission also expressed some interest in further research on the ownership of the alleys. Specifically, the Commission requested that public hearing notices for development of properties that abut an alley be sent to all properties within the same block as the development proposal (in additional to the legally required 300-foot noticing area), requested that the Public Works Department consider a broader definition of the term “all weather surface” when applied to alleys to allow for more flexibility in the pavement of alleys, and agreed that the Commission would consider the submittal of a specific project related to alleys to the Council in December for the Council’s discussion of project priorities for 2005.**

C. COMMISSION BUSINESS, REPORTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Confirmation of tentative joint Planning Commission and City Council meeting on September 21, 2004 to discuss review process for the Single-Family Residential Zoning Ordinance Amendment.
- Review of upcoming planning items on the City Council agenda.

ADJOURNMENT – 11:15 p.m.

Future Planning Commission Meeting Schedule

Regular Meeting	September 13, 2004
Joint City Council and Planning Commission Meeting	September 21, 2004
Regular Meeting	September 27, 2004
Regular Meeting	October 11, 2004
Regular Meeting	October 25, 2004
Regular Meeting	November 8, 2004
Regular Meeting	November 22, 2004

Regular Meeting
Regular Meeting

December 6, 2004
December 13, 2004