



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING  
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CITY OF MENLO PARK PLANNING COMMISSION  
MEETING DECEMBER 8, 2008**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Menlo Park, California, is scheduled to review the following items:

**PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

**Use Permit/Jeff Hamlin/120 Chester Street:** Request for a use permit to determine the Floor Area Limit (FAL) of a lot with less than 5,000 square feet of area, associated with the construction of an addition to an existing single-story, single-family residence in the R-1-U (Single-Family Urban) zoning district.

**Zoning Ordinance Amendment /City of Menlo Park:** Consideration of a Zoning Ordinance Amendment to clarify the definition of Gross Floor Area to more specifically identify features of a building that are either included or excluded from the calculation. Gross floor area is used in calculating the floor area ratio (FAR) and parking requirements for developments in all zoning districts except for single-family and R-2 (Low Density Apartment) zoning districts. Floor area ratio equals the gross floor area of a building divided by the lot area and effectively regulates the size of a building. In addition, gross floor area is used in determining the applicability of requirements for below market rate (BMR) housing and the preparation of traffic studies. The clarifications to the definition will focus on new buildings and attempt to minimize impacts to existing buildings. The Zoning Ordinance Amendment will be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in that the changes are intended to have no potential to impact the environment.

**PUBLIC MEETING ITEMS - None**

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that said Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on public hearing items in the Council Chambers of the City of Menlo Park, located at 701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, on Monday, December 8, 2008, 7:00 p.m. or as near as possible thereafter, at which time and place interested persons may appear and be heard thereon. If you challenge this item 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.

The project file may be viewed by the public on weekdays between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, with alternate Fridays closed, at the Department of Community Development, 701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park. Please call the Planning Division if there are any questions and/or for complete agenda information (650) 330-6702.

Si usted necesita más información sobre este proyecto, por favor llame al 650-330-6702, y pregunte por un asistente que hable español.

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