



PLANNING COMMISSION ACTIONS

Regular Meeting
September 9, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025

CALL TO ORDER – 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Bressler, Eiref (Vice Chair), Ferrick, Kadvany (Chair), Onken, Riggs, Strehl

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF – Arlinda Heineck, Community Development Director; Jean Lin, Associate Planner; Kyle Perata, Assistant Planner; Thomas Rogers, Senior Planner

A. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Under “Reports and Announcements,” staff and Commission members may communicate general information of interest regarding matters within the jurisdiction of the Commission. No Commission discussion or action can occur on any of the presented items.

- A1.** Update on Pending Planning Items
- Housing Element – Community Workshop – September 10, 2013
 - General Plan – City Council – September 24, 2013

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS – none

Under “Public Comments,” the public may address the Commission on any subject not listed on the agenda within the jurisdiction of the Commission and items listed under Consent. When you do so, please state your name and city or political jurisdiction in which you live for the record. The Commission cannot respond to non-agendized items other than to receive testimony and/or provide general information.

C. CONSENT

Items on the consent calendar are considered routine in nature, require no further discussion by the Planning Commission, and may be acted on in one motion unless a member of the Planning Commission or staff requests a separate discussion on an item.

- C1.** [Approval of minutes from the August 5, 2013 Planning Commission meeting](#)
COMMISSION ACTION: M/S Riggs/Kadvany to approve the minutes with the following modifications, 7-0:
- Page 8, 1st full paragraph, 8th line from bottom: Replace “Craftsman design” with “Tuscan design”
 - Page 10, 2nd full paragraph, 6th line: Replace “She suggested that they keep that hat in mind...” with “She suggested that they keep that in mind...”
 - Page 11, 1st paragraph, 4th line: Replace “applicant” with “architect”

D. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

- D1. 307 Constitution Drive/Priya Malhotra for Pentair/Use Permit: Request for a use permit to construct an approximately 650 square foot mezzanine completely within an existing building. The proposed mezzanine would be used for mechanical equipment (ovens) related to the company's manufacturing process. As part of the project, the applicant is proposing to stripe five additional parking spaces near the existing building. The subject site is located in the M-2 (General Industrial) zoning district. **COMMISSION ACTION:** M/S Eiref/Onken to approve the item as recommended in the staff report; 7-0.
- D2. Use Permit Revision and Environmental Review/Sharon Heights Golf and Country Club/2900 Sand Hill Road: Request for a use permit revision to allow a membership increase from 550 to 680 members (130 member increase) and remove an existing condition that limits the number of vehicular trips during the a.m. and p.m. peak hours at a golf and country club located in the OSC (Open Space and Conservation) zoning district. A Negative Declaration has been prepared to review the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project. **COMMISSION ACTION:** M/S Eiref/Strehl to approve the item as recommended in the staff report; 7-0.

E. REGULAR BUSINESS ITEMS

- E1. El Camino Real/Downtown Specific Plan/Initial Review: Initial evaluation of the El Camino Real/Downtown Specific Plan, which was approved in 2012. As specified by Chapter G ("Implementation"), the Planning Commission and City Council will conduct an initial review of the Plan one year after adoption, with ongoing review at two-year intervals thereafter. This review is intended to ensure that the Plan is functioning as intended, as well as to consider the policy-related implications of various Plan aspects. Depending on the results of the initial review, potential modifications may be formally presented for Planning Commission recommendation and City Council action at subsequent meetings. Any such modifications may require additional review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

COMMISSION ACTION: The Planning Commission considered public comment from 16 speakers, and conducted initial discussions on this topic. The Commission did not take any formal action, but did take the following informal (or "straw") votes, with the intent of guiding future discussion:

1. "Leaving aside the question of control/uses, do you believe the Specific Plan's overall building parameters (e.g., FAR, densities) are generally acceptable, with the potential for some interpretations or refinements?" Result: 5-0-2 in favor, with Commissioners Onken and Strehl abstaining;
2. "Do you believe another form of project control is needed to achieve the Plan's valued outcomes, above and beyond the current Architectural Control and Environmental Review requirements?" Result: 4-3 in favor, with Commissioners Onken, Riggs, and Strehl in opposition; and
3. "Do you think additional review of, and potential revisions to, the Plan's use regulations is warranted?" Result: 7-0 in favor.

The Planning Commission will continue this discussion at the September 23, 2013 meeting.

F. COMMISSION BUSINESS – None

ADJOURNMENT - 11:53 p.m.

Future Planning Commission Meeting Schedule

Regular Meeting	September 23, 2013
Regular Meeting	October 7, 2013
Regular Meeting	October 28, 2013
Regular Meeting	November 4, 2013
Regular Meeting	November 18, 2013
Regular Meeting	December 9, 2013
Regular Meeting	December 16, 2013

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