



PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AGENDA

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*Wednesday, September 27, 2006
REGULAR MEETING at 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
Civic Center, 1st Floor
250 Hamilton Avenue
Palo Alto, California 94301*

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners:

*Karen Holman - Chair
Lee Lippert – V-Chair
Patrick Burt
Paula Sandas
Arthur Keller
Daniel Garber
Samir Tuma*

Staff:

*Steven Emslie, Planning Director
Donald Larkin, Senior Deputy City Attorney
Curtis Williams, Chief Plan./Transp. Official
Amy French, Current Planning Manager
Julie Caporgno, Advance Planning Manager
Steven Turner, Senior Planner
Clare Campbell, Planner*

PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS

Please be advised the normal order of public hearings of agenda items is as follows:

- *Announce agenda item*
- *Open public hearing*
- *Staff recommendation*
- *Applicant presentation - Fifteen(15) minutes limitation or at the discretion of the Commission.*
- *Appellant presentation (if applicable) - Fifteen(15) minutes limitation or at the discretion of the Commission.*
- *Planning Commission questions of the applicant/staff*
- *Public comment - Five(5) minutes limitation per speaker or limitation to three(3) minutes depending on large number of speakers per item.*
- *Applicant closing comments - Three (3) minutes*
- *Close public hearing*
- *Discussion/motions/recommendations by the Commission*
- *Final vote*

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS. Members of the public may speak to any item not on the agenda with a limitation of three (3) minutes per speaker. Those who desire to speak must complete a speaker request card available from the secretary of the Commission. The Planning and Transportation Commission reserves the right to limit the oral communications period to 15 minutes.

AGENDA CHANGES, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS. The agenda may have additional items added to it up until 72 hours prior to meeting time.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearings:

1. **Zoning Ordinance Update:** Review and Recommendation of an Ordinance Deleting Chapters 18.41 (Neighborhood Commercial), 18.43 (Community Commercial), 18.44 (Community Commercial Combining District), 18.45 (Service Commercial), and 18.49 (Commercial Downtown), of the Palo Alto Municipal Code (Zoning Ordinance) and Adding Chapters 18.16 (Neighborhood, Service, and Community Commercial) and 18.18 (Commercial Downtown) Providing for Allowable Uses and Development Standards in Commercial Zones, including Mixed Use Criteria, and Amending Sections 18.94.070 and 16.20.120 to Delete Amortization Requirements and to Allow Additional Signage for 3200 Park Boulevard/340 Portage Avenue/Olive Avenue (Fry’s Electronics); Environmental Assessment: Comprehensive Plan Environmental Impact Report.
2. **Urgency Ordinance:** Review and recommendation of an urgency ordinance amending 18.10.070 “Second Dwelling Units” to prohibit individual sale of second units in the RMD and R-2 zoning districts.
3. **610 California Avenue [05PLN-00358]*:** Appeal of the Director’s decision to approve a Parcel Map requested by Brian Lee Wilson for condominium purposes to establish “air space rights” within the two existing buildings on a lot under common ownership. Environmental Assessment: Exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act. Zone District: RMD(NP).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of Special and Regular Meeting of August 30, 2006.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS/COMMITTEES.

COMMISSION MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, AND/OR ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- Commission Representative’s report on Council Actions.
- Commission Representation at City Council:
September: Patrick Burt
October: Paula Sandas
November: Dan Garber

December: Lee Lippert

- **Commission Representation:**

ZOU Special Districts and Open Space	Karen Holman, Patrick Burt
ZOU Design and Environment Working Group	Paula Sandas, Lee Lippert, Judith Wasserman (ARB) and Susan Haviland (HRB)
Palo Alto Housing Corporation Representative:	Daniel Garber

NEXT MEETING: Regular Meeting of October 11, 2006.

ADJOURNED:

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