REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Date:   10/05/2020
Time:   7:00 p.m.
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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.

Teleconference meeting: 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

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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

None

F. Public Hearing

F1. Use Permit/Chelsea Bright/321 Nova Lane:
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 attached garage on a substandard lot with regard to minimum lot width and area in the R-1-U (Single Family Urban Residential) zoning district. (Staff Report #20-041-PC)

F2. Request for architectural control, a use permit, a vesting tentative map, a below market rate (BMR) housing agreement, and environmental review for demolition of an existing commercial building and a multifamily residential building and the construction of a new three-story, mixed-use building with a below-ground parking structure and two townhouses. The mixed-use building would consist of retail and restaurant uses on the first floor and 12 residential units on the second and third floors in the SP-ECR/D (El Camino Real/Downtown Specific Plan) zoning district, at 201-211 El Camino Real. The two townhouses would be constructed on a substandard lot with respect to lot width located in the R-3 (Apartment) zoning district, at 612 Cambridge Avenue. In addition, a lot merger is proposed to combine the SP-ECR/D lots and abandon a portion of Alto Lane. The proposal includes a request for a Public Benefit Bonus, with the benefit consisting of rounding up a fractional BMR unit requirement to a full BMR unit for a total of two on-site BMR units. The project also requires Planning Commission review for consistency with the General Plan related to the proposed vacation of Alto Lane, a public right-of-way adjacent to 201-211 El Camino Real and 239-251 El Camino Real. A portion of the abandoned public right-of-way would go to the adjacent property owners at 201-211 El Camino Real and 239-251 El Camino Real. An Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) was prepared for the proposed project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). (Staff Report #20-042-PC)
G. STUDY SESSION

G1. Architectural Control and Use Permit/City of Menlo Park/100-110 Terminal Avenue:
Request for a study session review for future architectural control to demolish the existing Onetta Harris Community Center, Menlo Park Senior Center, Belle Haven Youth Center, and Belle Haven Pool, and construct a new multi-generational community campus incorporating all of the existing facilities and a relocated branch library on a lot in the PF (Public Facilities) district. The proposal includes a future request for a use permit for the use and storage of hazardous materials including pool chemicals and diesel fuel for a backup generator. (Staff Report #20-043-PC; Informe del Personal #20-043-PC)

H. Informational Items

H1. 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: October 19, 2020
- Regular Meeting: November 2, 2020
- Regular Meeting: November 16, 2020

I. 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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