

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2013,  
BEGINNING AT 7:00 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE NORTH SAN  
ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA**

**ESTABLISH QUORUM**

PRESENT: Chair WHEELER, Vice-Chair FARRELL, and Commissioners MEADOWS and  
BLOCKHUS  
STAFF: Senior Planner DAHL and Assistant Planner DAVIS

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None.

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1. Design Review Commission Minutes**

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of August 14, 2013

MOTION by Commissioner FARRELL, seconded by Commissioner MEADOWS, to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2013 regular meeting as-written.

THE MOTION PASSED BY A 3/0/1 VOTE, WITH CHAIR WHEELER ABSTAINED.

**DISCUSSION**

**2. 13-SC-10 – William Maston Architect and Associates – 691 Benvenue Avenue**

Reconsideration of design review for a new, two-story house. The project includes 2,316 square feet on the first floor, 1,255 square feet on the second floor and a 1,423 square foot basement.

*Project Planner: Davis*

Assistant Planner DAVIS presented the staff report, recommending approval of design review application 13-SC-10 subject to the findings and conditions.

Project architect, Bill Maston, stated that he made changes to address the Design Review Commission's concerns including reducing the scale of the entry, providing more representative perspective drawings, elimination of the planter boxes on the rear elevation, and noted that the proposed second floor is narrower than the adjacent houses.

Chair WHEELER noted that the perspectives helped him to better understand the house.

Resident Rina Raman, spoke in support of the project noting that the changes made addressed her concerns. There was no other public comment.

The Commission discussed the project and expressed their general support. They felt that the changes made to the plans addressed their previous concerns.

MOTION by Commissioner MEADOWS, seconded by Commissioner BLOCKHUS, to approve design review application 13-SC-10, per the staff report findings and conditions.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

None.

**POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair WHEELER adjourned the meeting at 7:16 PM.

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Zachary Dahl, AICP  
Senior Planner