



MINUTES PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING STUDY SESSION

6:00 p.m., Thursday, September 6, 2012
Community Chambers, Los Altos City Hall
One North San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California 94022

CALL TO ORDER

Chair BRESSACK called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

All Present: Chair BRESSACK, Vice-Chair MOISON, Commissioners BAER, BODNER, JUNAID
(arrived at 6:50 p.m.), McTIGHE and CHIANG
Staff: Assistant City Manager WALGREN and Assistant Planner LACEY

STUDY SESSION

1. 12-D-07 – Palo Alto Medical Foundation – 715 Altos Oaks Drive

Preliminary design review for a new, two-story medical office building. *Project Planner: Lacey*

Assistant Planner LACEY presented the study session materials and answered questions from the Commission. Vice-Chair MOISON removed himself from discussion due to a conflict of interest with the pending application.

The project applicant, architect, and landscape architect introduced themselves and reviewed the site plan and design concept with the Commission. The project architect discussed the revised design concept in comparison to an original set of drawings reviewed under a previous application and answered questions by the Commission. The project landscape architect presented a revised landscape plan and answered questions from the Commission. Two members of the public addressed the Commission with concerns related to over-emphasized building scale, lighting, and lost privacy related to the window placement and proposed landscape plan.

The Commission discussed the proposal. Chair BRESSACK and Commissioner JUNAID noted that the detailing of the renderings needed improvement, while Commissioners Chiang and McTighe noted that 3D renderings and west building elevations would be helpful to understand how the building would look from Foothill Expressway and Fremont Avenue. A majority of the Commission directed the applicant to prepare a lighting plan with the formal submittal and to evaluate the landscape improvements along the northerly property line to ensure a reasonable degree of privacy to adjoining single-family residences.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair BRESSACK adjourned the study session at 7:23 PM.

Shaun Lacey, AICP
Assistant Planner