



MINUTES ARCHITECTURE AND SITE REVIEW COMMITTEE

6:00 p.m., September 3, 2008
Los Altos Community Meeting Chambers
One North San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California 94022

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair BAER, Commissioners HULL and UHLIR (for BRESSACK)
Absent: Commissioner BRESSACK
Staff: Planning Services Manager KORNFIELD and Associate Planner DAHL

MINUTES

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HULL, and SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER UHLIR, to approve the August 6, 2008 meeting minutes with an amendment to check the tape record to confirm Commissioner HULL'S vote on the 514 Torwood Lane application and to correct the Minutes as determined necessary by staff.

THE MOTION PASSED BY A 2/0/1 VOTE, WITH UHLIR ABSTAINING.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. 4400 (4388) El Camino Real – Design Review Application

Planning Services Manager KORNFIELD presented the staff report recommending approval of the proposed building color change and answered questions of the Committee.

The Committee discussed the effect of using a darker color on the three-story building and its effect on the appearance of bulk and concerns about the dark grey colors in the palate for the project.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HULL, AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER UHLIR, to continue consideration of the revised colors for design review application 06-D-03 to the September 17th meeting with the following direction:

- Revise the color palate for the project to avoid using grey tones; and
- Consider a lighter color on the corner elements of the three-story building and a more monotone palate.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DISCUSSION

2. 07-SC-48 – Owen Signature Homes – 1275 Windimer Drive – Lot 2

Associate Planner DAHL presented the staff report with a recommendation of approval and answered questions of the Committee.

The Committee expressed support for the proposed modification to the original approval, noting that the revised entry design was an improvement and helped to break up the massing of the main roof profile.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HULL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER UHLIR, to approve the modification to design review application 07-SC-48 per the staff report findings. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. 08-SC-20 – J. Rider – 821 Laverne Way

Associate Planner DAHL presented the staff report with a recommendation of approval and answered questions of the Committee.

The project applicant spoke in support of the project, noting that since the subdivision CC&R requiring a 50-foot building setback line had not been followed by previously approved projects, it was no longer enforceable and the project should only be subject to the setback requirements of the R1-10 District. The applicant also noted that the project was maintaining an increased front yard setback of 35 feet to match the other residence along Laverne Way.

The Committee expressed general support for the project.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HULL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER UHLIR, to approve design review application 08-SC-20 per the staff report findings and conditions. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair BAER adjourned the meeting at 7:05 PM.

Prepared by:

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