



MINUTES ARCHITECTURE AND SITE REVIEW COMMITTEE

5:00 p.m., September 15, 2010
Los Altos Community Chambers
One North San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California 94022

CALL TO ORDER

Chair HULL called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

All Present: Chair HULL, Vice-Chair BOCOOK, and Commissioner MOISON
Staff: Planning Services Manager KORNFIELD and Associate Planner DAHL

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Architecture and Site Review Committee Minutes**

Approval of minutes – meeting of September 1, 2010

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MOISON, SECONDED BY CHAIR HULL, to approve the September 1, 2010 meeting minutes as-is. THE MOTION PASSED BY A 2/0/1 VOTE, WITH BOCOOK ABSTAINING.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. **10-SC-21 – M. Moussavian – 774-788 Orange Avenue – Lot 3**

Associate Planner DAHL presented the staff report recommending approval of design review application 10-SC-21 subject to the findings and conditions.

The project architect spoke in favor of the project, noting that the house had been re-designed to meet the intent of the Committee's direction. He also noted that since the owner wanted to maintain the plate height of the front porch, the finish floor elevation could be lowered by six-inches. Several neighbors spoke in opposition to the project, raising concerns about the size of the house and that it was not consistent with the character of the Orange Avenue neighborhood.

A majority of the Committee members expressed their general support for the project with a reduced finished floor height, noting that the design met the intent of the design review guidelines. One of the Committee member expressed concern about the proposed project, noting that it was out of scale with the surrounding houses and inconsistent with the character of the neighborhood.

MOTION BY VICE-CHAIR BOCOOK, SECONDED BY CHAIR HULL, to approve design review application 10-SC-21 per the staff report findings and conditions, and with the following additional conditions:

- The project shall lower the finish floor by six-inches; and
 - The architect shall verify that the elevations and daylight plane are tied to existing grades.
- THE MOTION PASSED BY A 2/1 VOTE, WITH MOISON OPPOSING.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair HULL adjourned the meeting at 6:00 PM.

Prepared by:

David Kornfield, AICP
Planning Services Manager