



City of Los Altos Objective Design Standards

March 16, 2021 City Council Study Session

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STATUS

- Have met with each member of the City Council
- Reviewing comments, editing document, and evaluating the feedback
- Letting City Council know what we heard.

Editing --- Evaluating --- Seeking Additional Direction

Return to City Council - revised document “Track Changes” Hold Public Hearing

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EDITING

- Confirm diagrams are consistent with the base zoning districts and have appropriate references
- Grammar, punctuation, spelling, and references

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EVALUATING

- What standards can be created to reduce privacy impacts on single-family properties
- Can fast growing landscaping to reduce privacy impacts to residential properties be a standard
- Verify yard standards can be incorporated in a project and compliant with zoning code
- Evaluate “forecourt” standards
- What other standards can help reduce the mass and scale of a structure

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OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- Review previous projects against the proposed standards
- Prepare a model, based on the objective standards, of a building on a site in the CN zone district along the El Camino Real
- Threshold by which the standards will be applied to existing buildings

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NEXT STEPS

- Review all the comments and feedback – provide response
- Edit the document
- Review items topics needing further consideration & develop recommendations
- Incorporate/Respond to this evening's City Council direction
- Return to City Council -revised document "Track Changes" Hold Public Hearing

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QUESTIONS / ADDITIONAL DIRECTION