# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2017 BEGINNING AT 7:00 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA

## **ESTABLISH QUORUM**

PRESENT: Chair Glew, Vice-Chair Harding, and Commissioners Kirik, Moison and

Zoufonoun

STAFF: Advance Planning Services Manager Kornfield and Current Planning Services

Manager Dahl

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

# ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

# 1. <u>Design Review Commission Minutes</u>

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of August 2, 2017.

<u>Action</u>: Upon a motion by Vice-Chair Harding, seconded by Commissioner Moison, the Commission unanimously approved the minutes of the August 2, 2017 Regular Meeting as written. (5-0)

#### **DISCUSSION**

# 2. <u>17-SC-10 – J. Nesmith – 107 E. Portola Avenue</u>

Design review application for a new two-story house. The project includes 1,914 square feet on the first-story and 1,078 square feet on the second-story with a basement. This application was continued from the October 19, 2016 Design Review Commission meeting. *Project Planner: Kornfield* 

Planning Services Manager Kornfield presented the staff report, recommending approval of the project.

Project applicant/owner James Nesmith presented the project and outlined the design.

#### Public Comment

A resident of Los Altos Square, to the rear of the property, spoke in support of the project.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Moison, seconded by Vice-Chair Harding, the Commission approved design review application 17-SC-10 per the staff report findings and conditions. The motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Harding, Moison and Zoufonoun; NOES: Glew and Kirik; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None. (3-2)

Commissioner Kirik and Chair Glew opposed the project due to concerns that the design of the front elevation could be improved and that the design could set a trend in the neighborhood.

## 3. <u>17-SC-14 – A. Bourgan – 205 Portola Court</u>

Design review for a new two-story house. The project includes 2,149 square feet at the first story and 1,229 square feet at the second story. *Project Planner: Gallegos* 

Planning Services Manager Dahl presented the staff report for Associate Planner Sean Gallegos, recommending approval of the project.

Project applicant/owner Abbie Bourgan presented the project, and requested that tree #1 be allowed for future removal to ensure that solar access to the house is not blocked.

#### Public Comment

Resident Abby Ahrens spoke in support of the project.

<u>Action</u>: Upon a motion by Vice-Chair Harding, seconded by Commissioner Kirik, the Commission unanimously approved design review application 17-SC-14 per the staff report findings and conditions, with the following additional condition:

• Allow the alternative front elevation design outlined on sheet D2 if desired.

## 4. <u>17-SC-21 – D. Harris – 32 San Juan Court</u>

Design review for a new two-story house. The project includes 2,318 square feet at the first story and 1,247 square feet at the second story. *Project Planner: Gallegos* 

Planning Services Manager Dahl presented the staff report for Associate Planner Sean Gallegos, recommending approval of the project.

Project architect Daryl Harris presented the project and provided a revised design with a smaller rear balcony and increased screening; to address staff concerns.

## Public Comment

None.

<u>Action</u>: Upon a motion by Commissioner Moison, seconded by Vice-Chair Harding, the Commission unanimously approved design review application 17-SC-21, per the staff report findings and conditions, with the following additional condition:

• Use the revised deck design per the updated sheet A13.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEM

## 5. <u>Hillview Community Center</u>

Receive an update from the Hillview Community Center Task Force. Project Manager: J Logan

Management Analyst Sarah Henricks provided an update and answered questions.

#### **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Due to a lack of a quorum at the September 6, 2017 Design Review Commission meeting, it has been cancelled.

#### POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

# ADJOURNMENT

Chair Glew adjourned the meeting at 9:11 PM.

Zach Dahl, AICP

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