

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION OF  
THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020 BEGINNING AT  
7:05 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS,  
CALIFORNIA**

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**ESTABLISH QUORUM**

PRESENT: Chair Ma, Vice-Chair Bishop, Commissioner Harding and Commissioner Glew  
(arrived during item #3)

ABSENT: Commissioner Kirik

STAFF: Planning Services Manager Persicone, Associate Planner Gallegos and Assistant  
Planner Niday

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None.

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. **Design Review Commission Minutes**  
Approve minutes of the regular meeting of July 15, 2020.

Action: Upon a motion by Harding, seconded by Vice-Chair Bishop, the Commission approved the minutes from the July 15, 2020 regular meeting as written.

The motion was approved (3-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Bishop, Harding and Ma

NOES: None

ABSENT: Glew and Kirik

2. **MOD20-0007– Bahi Oreizy – 1400 Richardson Avenue**  
Modification to a previously approved Design Review Application SC19-0026 from May 20, 2020 for a new two-story house with a partial basement. Addition of 470 square feet to the basement resulting in a 2,011 square-foot basement. *Project Planner: Niday*

Assistant Planner Niday presented the staff report for modification application MOD20-0007.

Action: Upon a motion by Harding, seconded by Vice-Chair Bishop, the Commission approved modification application MOD20-0007.

The motion was approved (3-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Bishop, Harding and Ma

NOES: None

ABSENT: Glew and Kirik

## DISCUSSION

### 3. **SC20-0003 – C. Anderson – 121 Doud Drive**

Design review for a new two-story house. The project includes 3,267 square feet on the first story and 970 square feet on the second story. *Project Planner: Gallegos*

Assistant Planner Gallegos presented the staff report recommending approval of design review application SC20-0003 subject to the listed findings and conditions.

Commissioner Bishop expressed concern about the solar panels on the project.

Let the record reflect that Commissioner Glew entered the meeting.

Commission Glew also expressed concern regarding the solar panels.

Commission Ma inquired about the location of the two AC units.

Property owners, Alex and Sue Kim, spoke about the project and their project designer, Christopher Anderson, presented the project.

#### Public Comment

None.

Commission discussion then proceeded.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Harding, seconded by Commissioner Glew, the Commission approved design review application SC20-0003 per the staff report findings and conditions, with the following additional condition:

- All safety related issues from the solar panels will be further investigated by City staff and addressed during the building permit phase.

The motion was approved (4-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Bishop, Glew, Harding and Ma

NOES: None

ABSENT: Kirik

## COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Commissioner Harding informed the DRC of the two appeals on the August 25, 2020 City Council Agenda at 126 Mt. Hamilton and 714 Arroyo Road.

## POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Planning Services Manager Persicone indicated he would be following up with the City Attorney regarding how the DRC should be evaluating future solar panels in light of other DRC projects. He will present the findings of the City at the September 16, 2020 DRC meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Ma adjourned the meeting at 8:35 PM.

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Guido Persicone, AICP  
Planning Services Manager

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