

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2020 BEGINNING
AT 7:05 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS
ALTOS, CALIFORNIA**

Please Note: Per California Executive Order N-29-20, the Commissions will meet via teleconference only. Members of the Public may call (773) 231-9226 to participate in the conference call (Meeting ID: 149 507 6761 or via the web at <https://meetings.ringcentral.com/j/1495076761?pwd=NUIHbnVPWTNcR1h0aEN2dms3YS9vUT09> (Password: 027529). Members of the Public may only comment during times allotted for public comments. Public testimony will be taken at the direction of the Commission Chair and members of the public may only comment during times allotted for public comments. Members of the public are also encouraged to submit written testimony prior to the meeting at DesignReviewCommission@losaltosca.gov or Planning@losaltosca.gov. Emails received prior to the meeting will be included in the public record.

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Chair Ma, Vice-Chair Bishop, Commissioners Blockhus, Kirik, and Harding
STAFF: Planning Services Manager Persicone and Assistant Planner Hassan

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 November 4, 2020.

Action: Upon a motion by Vice-Chair Bishop, seconded by Commissioner Blockhus, the Commission approved the minutes from the November 4, 2020 regular meeting as written.

The motion was approved (5-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Bishop, Blockhus Harding, Kirik, and Ma

NOES: None

DISCUSSION

2. SC20-0011 – Chepe Mantica – 698 San Martin Place

Design review for a first and second story addition to an existing two-story house. The project includes additions of 546 square feet on the first story and 405 square feet on the second story, with exterior material modifications. *Project Planner: Hassan*

Assistant Planner Hassan presented the staff report recommending approval of design review application SC20-0011 subject to the listed findings and conditions.

Property owners Juan and Laura Dellarroquelle of 698 San Martin Place spoke about the necessity of having a larger house because of their growing family. They also answered Commissioner questions.

Project architect Malika Junaid spoke on behalf of the project, gave a presentation and answered Commissioners questions.

Public Comment

Next door neighbor Shaliza Shorey spoke in favor of the project and said she was kept informed.

Commission discussion then proceeded.

Action: Upon a motion by Vice-Chair Bishop, seconded by Commissioner Harding, the Commission approved design review application SC20-0011 per the staff report findings and conditions.

The motion was approved (5-0) by the following vote:

AYES: Bishop, Blockhus, Harding, Kirik and Ma

NOES: None

While not a part of the motion, the DRC recommended that the project architect work closely with City staff to reduce the visual impacts of the garage.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Planning Services Manager Persicone stated that there will be two items on the December 2, 2020 DRC meeting a variance at 1129 Las Flores Court and a new two-story house at 370 Yerba Buena Avenue. The December 16, 2020 DRC meeting will also have two items, new second story windows at 2085 Fallen Leaf Lane and a second story addition/remodel at 789 Raymundo Avenue. He reported that he and Community Development Director Biggs are working on getting Objective Zoning Standards approved per State law. Finally, he gave an update on the Reach Code Ordinance with respect to new ADUs and how they will be affected by the new laws.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ma adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM.

Guido Persicone, AICP
Planning Services Manager