

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2015
BEGINNING AT 7:00 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE NORTH SAN
ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA**

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Chair KIRIK, Vice-Chair MOISON and Commissioner BLOCKHUS and MEADOWS

STAFF: Planning Services Manager DAHL

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, 2015.

MOTION by Commissioner MEADOWS, seconded by Commissioner BLOCKHUS, to approve the minutes of the November 4, 2015 regular meeting as written.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4/0).

DISCUSSION

2. 15-SC-38 – S. Stotler – 1038 Mundell Court

Design review for a new two-story house. The project includes 2,996 square feet on the first story and 1,710 square feet on the second story. *Project Planner: Dahl*

Planning Services Manager DAHL presented the staff report, recommending continuance of design review application 15-SC-38 per the recommended direction, and noted that two additional letters of support from nearby property owners had been submitted to the City.

Project architect and applicant Scott Stotler presented the project, noting that the design is a Spanish/Traditional style, that the project complies with all applicable zoning and that ample landscape screening along all property lines has been provided. Property owner CJ MacDonald also stated that the project was designed to meet all the design guidelines and that he had met with all neighbors early in the process. Residents Jody Kramer, Ed Grazitini, Matt Lee, and Vinny Lingham spoke in support of the project. There was no other public comment.

The Commission discussed the project, with a majority expressing their general support. The Commissioners commended the owners for their neighbor outreach and noted that the house has larger elements than the surrounding houses but it is not viewable from the street and is well screened by landscaping, and that the use of a monochromatic barrel tile roof is appropriate for the architectural style of the house. Commissioner BLOCKHUS expressed concern about the bulk and

mass of the house and that the large covered balcony could be a privacy impact, but that it is a unique lot due to its size and shape, and not a regular neighborhood setting.

MOTION by Vice-Chair MOISON, seconded by Commissioner MEADOWS, to approve design review application 15-SC-38 per positive design review findings and with standard conditions. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4/0).

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair KIRIK adjourned the meeting at 8:02 PM.

Zachary Dahl, AICP
Planning Services Manager
Current Planning