



County of Santa Cruz Planning Commission Minutes

Planning Department, 701 Ocean Street, Suite 400, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Meeting Date : Wednesday, January 12, 2022 @ 9:30 AM

Location : *Virtual Public Hearing*

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

1. Roll Call

Commissioners present: Commissioner Lazenby (Chair), Commissioner Gordin (Vice Chair), Commissioner Shaffer Freitas, Commissioner Shepherd, Commissioner Dann

2. Election of Officers

ACTION: Recommend Tim Gordin to act as Chair for the 2022 Planning Commission Meetings.

MOTION/SECOND: Dann/Lazenby

AYES: Dann, Violante, Shepherd, Lazenby, Gordin

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Shaffer Freitas

ACTION: Recommend Rachel Dann to act as Vice-Chair for the 2022 Planning Commission Meetings.

MOTION/SECOND: Shepherd/Lazenby

AYES: Dann, Violante, Shepherd, Lazenby, Gordin

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Shaffer Freitas

3. Additions and Corrections to Agenda

4. Declaration of Ex Parte Communications

5. Oral Communications

CONSENT ITEMS

6. AB 361 Resolution

To approve a Resolution to continue virtual Planning Commission meetings in accordance with AB 361 and amended Government Code Section 54953.

ACTION: Adopt the resolution to continue virtual Planning Commission meetings in accordance with AB 361.

MOTION/SECOND: Dann/Lazenby

AYES: Dann, Violante, Shepherd, Lazenby, Gordin

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Shaffer Freitas

SCHEDULED ITEMS

7. Approval of Minutes

To approve the minutes of the November 10, 2021 Planning Commission meeting as submitted by the Planning Staff.

ACTION: Approve the minutes as prepared by staff, with the corrected date.

MOTION/SECOND: Dann/Lazenby

AYES: Dann, Violante, Shepherd, Lazenby, Gordin

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Shaffer Freitas

8. 201378

7695 Soquel Dr., Aptos 95003

APNs: 039-102-43
039-102-21

Proposal to demolish the existing Aptos Branch Library and construct a new library building measuring approximately 12,490 gross square feet in size. Requires a Commercial Development Permit, Variances to reduce the front, side, and rear yards by six feet from the required setback 20 feet to 14 feet, approval of a Master Site Plan, Design Review, Sign Exception, Preliminary Grading Approval, and a determination that the project is exempt from further environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Property is located on the north side of Soquel Drive at its intersection with East Ledyard Way (7695 Soquel Drive). The library building is located on APN No. 039-102-43 and a portion of the associated parking lot is located on APN No. 039-102-21.

OWNER: Santa Cruz County Department of Public Works

APPLICANT: Anderson Brule Architects c/o Angshupriya Pathak

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT: 2

PROJECT PLANNER: Jonathan DiSalvo, (831) 454-3157

EMAIL: Jonathan.DiSalvo@santacruzcounty.us

ACTION: Determine that the proposal is exempt from further Environmental Review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and approve application 201378 based on staff findings and conditions of approval, with an added condition of approval.

Additional Condition of Approval: Prior to Building Permit issuance, staff shall evaluate potential minimal view impacts associate with the roof along Soquel Drive.

MOTION/SECOND: Violante/Dann

AYES: Dann, Violante, Shepherd, Lazenby, Gordin

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Shaffer Freitas

APPEAL INFORMATION

Denial or approval of any permit by the Planning Commission is appealable to the Board of Supervisors. The appeal must be filed with the required appeal fee within 14 calendar days of action by the Planning Commission. To file an appeal you must write a letter to the Board of Supervisors and include the appeal fee. For more information on appeals, please see the "Planning Appeals" brochure located in the Planning Department lobby, or contact the project planner.

APPEALS OF COASTAL PROJECTS

(*) This project requires a Coastal Zone Permit which is not appealable to the California Coastal Commission. It may be appealed to the Board of Supervisors; the appeal must be filed within 14 calendar days of action by the Planning Commission.

(**) This project requires a Coastal Development Permit. Denial or approval of the Coastal Development Permit is appealable to the Board of Supervisors; the appeal must be filed within 14 calendar days of action by the Planning

Commission. After all local appeal periods have ended (grounds for appeal are listed in the County Code Section 13.20.110), approval of a Coastal Development permit is appealable to the California Coastal Commission. The appeal must be filed with the Coastal Commission within 10 business days of receipt by the Coastal Commission of notice of final local action.

Note regarding Public hearing items: If any person challenges an action taken on the foregoing matter(s) in court, they may be limited to raising only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at or prior to the public hearing.

Agenda documents may be reviewed at the Planning Department, Room 420, County Government Center, 701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz.

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