



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Development Review Hearing

06/18/2025

4:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting
City Hall Council
Chambers/Virtual
1500 Warburton Avenue
Santa Clara, CA 95050

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

[25-720](#)

Declaration of Procedures

Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing read the Declaration of Procedures.

REQUEST FOR EXCEPTIONS, WITHDRAWALS AND CONTINUANCES

None.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

[25-721](#)

Development Review Hearing Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2025

Recommendation: Approve the Development Review Hearing Meeting Minutes of the May 14, 2025 Meeting.

Action: Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing approved staff recommendation.

GENERAL BUSINESS

[25-529](#)

PUBLIC HEARING: Action on the Architectural Review (PLN24-00608) for the Construction of a 668 Square-Foot Second Floor Addition, Resulting in a 2,716 Square-Foot Four Bedroom and Two and a Half Bathroom Two-Story Single-Family Residence on a 5,200 Square-Foot Lot at 1272 Blackfield Drive.

Recommendation: **Determine** the project to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) formal pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15332 (Class 32 - In-Fill Development Projects), and **Approve** the Architectural Review for the construction of a 668 square-foot second floor addition, resulting in a 2,716 square-foot four bedroom, two and a half bathroom two story residence at 1272 Blackfield Drive, subject to findings and conditions of approval.

Assistant Planner Alex Tellez provided the staff presentation.

Architect Sanaz Faridnia spoke about the design and how the privacy of the neighbors is protected.

Public Comments: **None.**

Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing had questions about the window placement on the second floor.

Action: Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing approved staff recommendation.

[25-552](#)

PUBLIC HEARING: Action on the Architectural Review (PLN24-00637) for the Construction of a 425 Square-Foot First Floor Addition and a 1,250 Square-Foot Second Floor Addition, Resulting in a 3,151 Square-Foot Four Bedroom and Three and a Half Bathroom Two-Story Single-Family Residence on a 5,508 Square-Foot Lot at 2121 Nobili Avenue.

Recommendation: **Determine** the project to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) formal pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15332 (Class 32 - In-Fill Development Projects), and **Approve** the Architectural for the construction of a 425 square-foot first floor addition and 1,250 square-foot second floor addition, resulting in a 3,361 square-foot four bedroom and three-and-a-half-bathroom two-story single-family residence at 2121 Nobili Avenue, subject to findings and conditions of approval.

Assistant Planner Alex Tellez provided the staff presentation.

Homeowner Ravi Ramaanujan spoke about the design.

Architect Vidya Ravi stated how he worked with the City to meet the City's development standards and design guidelines.

Public Speakers:

Robert Schneider

Martin Koornwinder

Action: Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing continued this item date certain to the July 9, 2025 Development Review Hearing. The Development Review Officer recommended changing the design for the front elevation, and requested the applicant work with staff and the neighbors to address the privacy concerns.

[25-639](#)

PUBLIC HEARING: Action on the Architectural Review (PLN25-00004) for the Demolition of an Existing Single-Story Residence and the Construction of a 2,560 Square Foot Single-Story Residence Located at 2165 Bray Avenue.

Recommendation:

Determine the project to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) formal pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 (Class 3 - "New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures") and **Approve** the Architectural Review for the demolition of an existing single-story residence and the construction a 2,506 Square Foot Single-Story Residence, located at 2165 Bray Avenue, subject to the findings and conditions of approval.

Associate Planner Daniel Sobczak provided the staff presentation.

Homeowner Yilin Yu spoke about the design.

Public Comments: **None.**

Action: Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing approved staff recommendation.

[25-640](#)

PUBLIC HEARING: Action on the Architectural Review (PLN25-00152) for the Demolition of an Existing Single-Story Residence and the Construction of a 3,033 Square Foot Single-Story Residence Located at 523 Flannery Street.

Recommendation:

Determine the project to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) formal pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 (Class 3 - "New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures") and **Approve** the Architectural Review for the demolition of an existing single-story residence and the construction a 3,033 Square Foot Single-Story Residence, located at 523 Flannery Street, subject to the findings and conditions of approval.

Associate Planner Daniel Sobczak provided the staff presentation.

Architect Byoung Choi spoke about the design intent.

Public Speaker:

Tai Yuan Zhang

Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing stated that the applicant should work with their neighbors during construction to ensure that they are aware of what time construction will start daily.

Action: Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing approved staff recommendation.

[25-688](#)

PUBLIC HEARING: Action on An Architectural Review (PLN25-00061) for the Demolition of 50% or More of an Existing Residence to Construct a 2,192 Square Foot Four Bedroom, Three Bathroom, Single-Family Residence with an Attached Two-Car Garage on a 5,498 Square Foot Lot at 2475 Moraine Drive.

Recommendation: **Determine** the project to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) formal pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15332 (Class 32 -- Infill Development Projects), and **Approve** the Architectural Review for the demolition of 50% of an existing residence to construct a 2,192 square-foot four bedroom and three-bathroom single-family residence with an attached two car garage on a 5,498 square foot lot at 2475 Moraine Drive, subject to findings and conditions of approval.

Assistant Planner Alex Tellez provided the staff presentation.

Applicant Warren Lee spoke about the design.

Public Comments: **None.**

Action: Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing approved staff recommendation.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

The next regular scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, July 8, 2025.

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