

City of Santa Clara

Meeting Agenda Planning Commission

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

6:00 PM

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

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6:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance and Statement of Values

Roll Call

DECLARATION OF COMMISSION PROCEDURES

CONTINUANCES/EXCEPTIONS

CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items may be enacted, approved or adopted, based upon the findings prepared and provided in the written staff report, by one motion unless requested to be removed by anyone for discussion or explanation. If any member of the Planning Commission, staff, the applicant or a member of the public wishes to comment on a Consent Calendar item, or would like the item to be heard on the regular agenda, please notify Planning staff, or request this action at the Planning Commission meeting when the Chair calls for these requests during the Consent Calendar review. Items listed on the Consent Calendar with associated file numbers constitute Public Hearing items.

1.A 25-655 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2025

Recommendation: Approve the Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of the May 21, 2025 Meeting.

1.B 25-839 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2025

Recommendation: Approve the Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of the June 11, 2025 Meeting.

1.C 25-717 Action to Adopt a Resolution to Deny the Modification to an Existing Conditional Use Permit (PLN24-00392) that Would Have Changed Existing Conditions of Approval (Conditions P6, P8, P19, P20) Concerning Solid Waste and Recycling Collection at the Existing Subaru Dealership Located at 3225 Stevens Creek Boulevard.

Recommendation:1. Adopt a Resolution Denying the Modification of an Existing Conditional Use Permit that would have allowed solid waste and recycling to be collected from

Cecil Avenue for the existing Subaru dealership.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Members of the public may briefly address the Commission on any item not on the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING

Items listed above under Items for Council Action will be scheduled for Council review following the conclusion of hearings and recommendations by the Planning Commission. Due to timing of notices for Council hearings and the preparation of Council agenda reports, these items will not necessarily be heard on the date the minutes from this meeting are forwarded to the Council. Please contact the Planning Division office for information on the schedule of hearings for these items.

2. 25-690 Public Hearing: Action on a Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map (PLN25-00225) for 11 Townhouses Located at 1530 and 1540 Pomeroy.

Recommendation:

- Recommend that the City Council find that the proposed subdivision falls within the scope of the adopted CEQA Addendum prepared for the project and no further analysis is required.
- Adopt a resolution recommending the City Council approve the Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map to merge the two parcels and create a one-lot subdivision for condominium purposes for 11 townhouses and common area at 1530/1540 Pomeroy Avenue, subject to findings and conditions of approval.
- 3. 25-763 Public Hearing: Action on the Initial Study and Mitigated Declaration, Mitigation Negative Monitoring and Reporting Program, General Amendment, Rezone. and **Vesting** PLN24-00332) **Tentative** Subdivision Map (PLN24-00267 and for the Property Located at 1400 Coleman Avenue to Allow the Development of 142 Townhouse Units and Associated On- and Off-Site Improvements

Recommendation: Alternatives: 1, 2, 3 and 4

- Adopt a resolution recommending the City Council adopt the adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Monitoring or Reporting Program for the proposed residential townhome project at 1400 Coleman Avenue.
- Adopt a resolution recommending the City Council approve the General Plan amendment to change the land use designation from Regional Commercial to High Density Residential.
- Adopt a resolution recommending the City Council approve a rezoning of the project site from Commercial Regional (CR) to High Density Residential (R4) subject to conditions of approval.
- Adopt a resolution recommending City Council approve a Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map for condominium purposes, subject to conditions of approval.

4. 25-784 Public Hearing: Action on a Variance (PLN24-00514) to Locate a Six-Foot Wrought Iron Fence Within the 10-Foot Street Side Setback and Within the 20-Foot Front Setback Proposed at 572 Woodhams Road (Continued from the May 21, 2025, Planning Commission Meeting)

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution denying the variance to locate a six-foot wrought iron fence within the required 10-foot street side setback and 20-foot front setback proposed at 572 Woodhams Road, subject to findings.

5. 25-826 PUBLIC HEARING: Action on a Conditional Use Permit Single-Sided (PLN24-00424) to Construct a Digital LED Billboard as Part of a Billboard Relocation Agreement and a Minor Modification to Reduce the Required 1,500 Linear Feet Distance from Another Electronic Digital Display Message Sign, and Recommendation to the City Council to Approve Adoption of the Billboard Relocation Agreement, Located at 1700 Duane Avenue (Continued from June 11, 2025, Planning Commission Meeting).

Recommendation:

- 1) Determine the project to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 (Class 3 - "New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures").
- Adopt a resolution approving a Conditional Use Permit to allow for construction a single-sided digital LED billboard as part of a Billboard Relocation Agreement, located at 1700 Duane Avenue, subject to findings and conditions of approval.
- 3) Adopt a resolution approving a minor modification to reduce the required 1,500 linear feet distance from another electronic digital display message sign, located at 1700 Duane Avenue, subject to findings and conditions of approval.
- 4) Recommend to the City Council approval of the Billboard Relocation Agreement.

REPORTS OF COMMISSION/BOARD LIAISON AND COMMITTEE:

- 1. Announcements/Other Items
- 2. Commissioner Travel and Training Reports, Requests to attend Trainings

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORTS:

- 1. Planning Commission Budget Update
- 2. Upcoming Agenda Items
- 3. City Council Actions

ADJOURNMENT:

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