

City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Development Review Hearing

11/19/2025 4:00 PM

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

The City of Santa Clara is conducting the Development Review Hearing meeting in a hybrid manner (in-person and method for the public to participate remotely)

o Via Zoom:

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Meeting ID: 929 5021 8717 o Phone: 1 (669) 900-6833

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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.

25-1639 Declaration of Procedures

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

REQUEST FOR EXCEPTIONS, WITHDRAWALS AND CONTINUANCES

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

25-1616 Development Review Hearing Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2025 1.

Recommendation: Approve the Development Review Hearing Meeting Minutes of the October 15, 2025, Meeting.

> Action: Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing approved the consent calendar.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. 25-958 Public Hearing: Determination of Consistency with the Adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration and Action on the Architectural Review (File # PLN24-00474) to Allow the Development of 142 Residential Units and Associated On- and Off-Site Improvements for the Property Located at 1400 Coleman Avenue. CEQA Status: Adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Recommendation: Determine the project to be consistent with the adopted Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) and Approve the Architectural Review to allow the development of 142 residential units and associated on-and off-site improvements for the property located at 1400 Coleman Avenue, subject to the findings and conditions of approval.

Senior Planner Nimisha Agrawal provided the staff presentation.

Applicant Pamela Nieting provided a presentation.

Public Comments: None.

Action: Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing approved staff recommendation with added conditions: (1) that the stucco on the structures fronting Coleman Avenue be a smooth finish; (2) that the first floor will include a wall trellis feature for vegetation.

3. 25-1101

Public Hearing: Action on an Architectural Review (PLN25-00227) for a 959 Square Foot Second Story Accessory Dwelling Unit Addition to an Existing One-Story Single-Family Residence on a 5,724 Square Foot Lot at 749 Clara Vista Avenue. CEQA Status: Exempt from CEQA per Section 15332.

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 construction of a 939 square foot second floor addition to create a 939 square foot second story Accessory Dwelling Unit in an existing one-story single-family residence on a 5,724 square foot lot at 749 Clara Vista Avenue, subject to findings and conditions of approval.

> Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing waived the staff presentation.

Applicant Bahman Asgarzadeh Aval contested the recorded square footage of the proposal stating the measurement was incorrect.

Public Comments: None.

Due to technical difficulties, the Zoom Webinar became nonresponsive and ended at 4:30 p.m. and was restarted shortly thereafter.

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

4. 25-1564 Public Hearing: Action on the Architectural Review (PLN25-00355) for an 800 Square Foot Two Story Accessory Dwelling Unit to an Existing 2,069 Square Foot One-Story Residence located at 4939 Avenida De Los Arboles, CEQA Status: Exempt from CEQA per Section 15303 (Class 3 --New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures).

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 an 800-square-foot, two-story attached accessory dwelling unit (ADU), including a 105-square-foot second-story rear balcony, proposed at the rear of an existing 2,069-square-foot one-story residence.

> Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing waived the staff presentation.

Designer Ryan Hua was available for questions.

Public Comments: None.

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

25-1572 5.

Public Hearing: Action on an Architectural Review (PLN25-00267) for the Demolition of an Existing Residential Building to Construct a 2,282 Square Foot Four-Bedroom, Three-Bathroom Two-Story Single-Family Residence with a 400 Square Foot Attached Garage on a 5,012 Square Foot Lot at 3037 Harding Avenue. CEQA Status: Exempt from CEQA per Section 15332.

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 an existing residential building to construct a 2,282 square foot four-bedroom, three-bathroom two-story single-family residence with a 400 square foot attached garage on a 5,012 square foot lot at 3037 Harding Avenue, subject to findings and conditions of approval.

Assistant Planner Alex Tellez provided the staff presentation.

Applicant Ramin Zohoor was available for questions.

Public Comments: None.

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

6. 25-1589

Public Hearing: Action on an Architectural Review (PLN25-00295) for a 621 Square Foot First Floor Addition and a 397 Square Foot Second Floor Addition to an Existing Two-Story 2,081 Square Foot Single-Family Residence with a 500 Square Foot Attached Garage on a 7,351 Square Foot Lot at 2892 Mesquite Drive. CEQA Status: Exempt from CEQA per Section 15332.

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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 construction of a 621 square foot first floor addition and a 397 square foot second floor addition to an existing two-story 2,081 square foot single-family residence with a 500 square foot attached garage on a 7,351 square foot lot at 2892 Mesquite Drive, subject to findings and conditions of approval.

Assistant Planner Alex Tellez provided the staff presentation.

Applicant Fiona Wang was online, but unable to respond to questions due to technical difficulties with the Zoom Webinar audio.

Public Speakers:

Due to ongoing audio technical difficulties, public speakers were informed that they would be given the opportunity to speak on this item at the next scheduled hearing.

Action: Development Review Officer Sheldon Ah Sing continued the item date certain to the December 10, 2025 Development Review Hearing due to technical difficulties with the Zoom Webinar audio.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

The next regular scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, December 10, 2025 at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

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