



# City of Santa Clara

## Meeting Agenda

### Planning Commission

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**Wednesday, March 6, 2024**

**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.       **24-250**       [Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2024](#)

**Recommendation:** Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of the  
February 21, 2024 Meeting

## **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.       **24-139**       [PUBLIC HEARING: Action on Significant Property Alteration Permit for a 556 Square Foot Addition to the Basement and a 590 Square Foot First Floor Addition to a Residence on the Historic Resource Inventory with a Mills Act Contract and a Minor Modification for the Construction of a New Nonconforming Garage at 324 Madison Street](#)

**Recommendation:**

1. Determine that the project is categorically exempt from formal environmental review under Class 1 (Section 15301, Existing Facilities) and Class 31 (Section 15331, Historical Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation) of the CEQA Guidelines ; and
2. Adopt a Resolution to approve a Significant Property Alteration Permit for major alterations to the main historic resource and a Minor Modification for the new nonconforming garage, subject to findings and conditions of approval.

3. 24-172 [PUBLIC HEARING. Action on Environmental Impact Report, General Plan Amendment, and Use Permit to allow the construction of a new four-story, 244,068 square foot data center with a substation at 2805 Bowers Avenue \(Continued from Planning Commission Hearing on January 31, 2024\)](#)

- Recommendation:**
1. Adopt a Resolution accepting the Environmental Impact Report prepared by the California Energy Commission (CEC) and adopting the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program;
  2. Adopt a Resolution recommending the City Council approve the General Plan Amendment from High Intensity Office / Research and Development to Light Industrial, subject to findings; and
  3. Adopt a Resolution approving the Use Permit for the demolition of the existing building and construction of a new four-story 244,068 square foot data center with a substation and site improvements in the Light Industrial (ML) zoned property at 2805 Bowers Avenue, subject to findings and conditions of approval.

**REPORTS OF COMMISSION/BOARD LIAISON AND COMMITTEE:**

1. Announcements/Other Items  
Commission Dinners before Meetings - Chair Cherukuru
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:**

*The next regular scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers and via Zoom.*



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