



REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 25, 2002
7:00 PM

North Berkeley Senior Center
1901 Hearst Avenue

AGENDA

1. *Roll Call*
 2. *Order of Agenda*
 3. *Public Comment Period:* Speakers are allotted three minutes or less each. Speakers are encouraged to submit more extensive comments in writing. To ensure adequate time for action items on the Agenda, the Planning Commission may limit the number of public speakers during the public comment period.
 4. *Chairperson's Report:* Report by Commission Chair.
 5. *Committee Reports:* Reports by Commission committees or liaisons.
 6. *Planning Director's Report:* Report on upcoming planning issues and recent Council actions.
 7. *Approval of Minutes:* Draft minutes of July 10, 2002, July 24, 2002, and September 11, 2002 (copy attached for Commissioners only).
 8. *Future Planning Commission Agenda Items and Other Planning-Related Events* (copy attached).
 9. *Workshop on Density-* questions/problems and opportunities related to density and land use in Berkeley. (until 9:30 pm)
 - A. *Density Workshop Discussion Questions and Issues* (copy attached)
 - B. *Density Workshop Information Packet* prepared by the Planning Commission Density Subcommittee (copy attached)
 - C. *Report to the Planning Commission* from Stephen Barton and Carol Barrett on Density in Berkeley: An Overview (copy attached).
- Action Items:** Matters on which the Planning Commission may discuss and possibly take action
10. *Discussion, and Possible Action: Southside Area Plan Status Report.*(copy attached)

Information Items: Action may be taken on any information report at this meeting if any Commissioner requests its placement on the agenda as an action item.

11. *Memorandum to all Boards and Commissions from the City Clerk-* Council Agenda Reports on the Internet and Captioning of Council Meetings (copy attached)
12. *Council Agenda Tracking Report for Planning Commission Items* (copy attached)
13. *Memorandum from the Budget Manager to the Planning Director on the General Plan Implementation Guidelines and the FY 2004 and 2005 Budget Process* (copy attached)

Communications: In compliance with Brown Act regulations, no action may be taken on these items. However, discussion may occur at this meeting upon a Commissioner request.

Copy of article from Apartment Finance Today: City offers speedy permitting for affordability.

Submitted by Patrick Kennedy. (copy attached)

E-mail from Rebecca Herman submitting a letter to Mayor Dean concerning Pepito's Deli. (copy attached)

E-mail from Howie Muir on Residential Density: A Need for an Operative Standard. (copy attached)

E-mail from Howie Muir submitting a letter to the Mayor and Council members concerning the General Plan. (copy attached)

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Note: If you object to a project or to any City action or procedure relating to the project application, any lawsuit which you may later file may be limited to those issues raised by you or someone else in the public hearing on the project, or in written communication delivered at or prior to the public hearing. The time limit within which to commence any lawsuit or legal challenge related to these applications is governed by Section 1094.6 of the Code of Civil Procedure, unless a shorter limitations period is specified by any other provision. Under Section 1094.6, any lawsuit or legal challenge to any quasi-judicative decision made by the City must be filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which such decision becomes final. Any lawsuit or legal challenge, which is not filed within that 90-day period, will be barred.