



PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOVEMBER 29, 2006

Zoning Ordinance Amendment: Changes to final design review process and eliminating appeal of final design review (BMC Chapter 23E.12)

The Planning Commission of the City of Berkeley will hold a public hearing on the above matter, pursuant to Zoning Ordinance Section 23A.20.030, on **Wednesday, November 29, 2006** at the North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst Ave. (at Martin Luther King, Jr. Way), Berkeley (wheelchair accessible). The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Modifications to Zoning Ordinance Chapter 23E.12 to clarify the role of final design review by specifying what design features can be addressed during preliminary and final design review, requiring more building details to be addressed during preliminary design review; remove appeal of final design review; and modify the design review timeline requirements to be consistent with state law. Potential amendments also include changes to terminology used to describe the design review process including “preliminary” and “final” design review.

LOCATION: Citywide.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW STATUS: The project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant under Public Resources Code Sec. 21065.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments may be made verbally at the public hearing and in writing before the hearing. Those wishing to speak at the hearing must submit a speaker card. Written comments concerning this project should be directed to:

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To assure distribution to Commission members prior to the meeting, **correspondence must be received by 12:00 noon, seven (7) days before the meeting.** 15 copies must be submitted of any correspondence with more than ten (10) pages or any item submitted less than seven days before the meeting.

COMMUNICATION ACCESS

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FURTHER INFORMATION

Questions should be directed to **Jordan Harrison**, at (510) 981-7416 or jharrison@ci.berkeley.ca.us.