



Planning Commission

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

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Wednesday, March 21, 2018
7:00 PM

North Berkeley Senior Center
1901 Hearst Ave / MLK Jr. Way

See **“MEETING PROCEDURES”** below.

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PRELIMINARY MATTERS

- 1. Roll Call:** Pinto, Prakash, appointed by Councilmember Maio, District 1
Martinot, Steve, appointed by Councilmember Davila, District 2
Schildt, Christine, Chair, appointed by Councilmember Bartlett, District 3
Mary Kay Lacey, appointed by Councilmember Harrison, District 4
Beach, Benjamin, appointed by, Councilmember Hahn, District 5
Kapla, Robb William, for Councilmember Wengraf, District 6
Fong, Benjamin, appointed by Councilmember Worthington, District 7
Vincent, Jeff, appointed by Councilmember Droste, District 8
Wrenn, Rob, Vice Chair, appointed by Mayor Arreguin
- 2. Order of Agenda:** The Commission may rearrange the agenda or place items on the Consent Calendar.
- 3. Public Comment:** Comments on subjects not included on the agenda. Speakers may comment on agenda items when the Commission hears those items. (See *“Public Testimony Guidelines”* below):
- 4. Planning Staff Report:** In addition to the items below, additional matters may be reported at the meeting. **Next Commission meeting: April 18, 2018.**
- 5. Chairperson’s Report:** Report by Planning Commission Chair.
- 6. Committee Reports:** Reports by Commission committees or liaisons. In addition to the items below, additional matters may be reported at the meeting.
- 7. Approval of Minutes:** [Approval of Draft Minutes from the meeting on February 21, 2018.](#)

8. Future Agenda Items and Other Planning-Related Events: None.

AGENDA ITEMS: All agenda items are for discussion and possible action. Public Hearing items require hearing prior to Commission action.

- 9. Action:** **1050 Parker Street Parcels Rezone and General Plan Amendment**
Recommendation: Cancel public hearing to be re-noticed for April 18, 2018
- 10. Action:** **Public Hearing: Density Bonus**
Recommendation: Hold public hearing and consider the modifications of Inclusionary Housing chapter (BMC 23C.12) and adopt new Density Bonus chapter (BMC 23C.14).
Written Materials: Attached.
Web Information: N/A.
Continued From: 2/21/2018.
- 11. Discussion:** **Urban Agriculture**
Recommendation: Discuss and give direction on staff's recommended approach to Urban Agriculture regulations.
Written Materials: Attached.
Web Information: N/A.
Continued From: 10/7/2017.

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

Information Items: None.

Communications:

- [2018-03-21 – Edward Moore, Proposed Local Legislation Regarding Density Bonuses, Item 9](#)
- [2018-03-21 – Nathan Dahl, Community Gardens Levels of Discretion Table, Item 10](#)
- [2018-03-21 – Cynthia Tate Elliott, Correction of Letter to Planning Commission, R-1A](#)
- [2018-03-21 – Charles Pappas, Pardon Me Revised Cannabis Action](#)

Late Communications: (Received after the packet deadline):

- [2018-03-21 – Christina Oatfield, SELC, Support Berkeley Urban Agriculture](#)
- [2018-03-21 – Berkeley Community Garden Collaborative, Community Gardens and Structures](#)
- [2018-03-21 – EBMUD, Briefing Invitation April 5, 2018](#)

Late Communications: (Received and distributed at the meeting):

- [2018-03-21 – Amir Wright, Berkeley Student Housing Now Alternative Proposal](#)
- [2018-03-21 – Kelly Hammargren, Affordable Housing and Density Bonus](#)

ADJOURNMENT**Meeting Procedures****Public Testimony Guidelines:**

Speakers are customarily allotted up to three minutes each. The Commission Chair may limit the number of speakers and the length of time allowed to each speaker to ensure adequate time for all items on the Agenda. **To speak during Public Comment or during a Public Hearing, please line up behind the microphone.** Customarily, speakers are asked to address agenda items when the items are before the Commission rather than during the general public comment period. Speakers are encouraged to submit comments in writing. See “Procedures for Correspondence to the Commissioners” below.

Consent Calendar Guidelines:

The Consent Calendar allows the Commission to take action with no discussion on projects to which no one objects. The Commission may place items on the Consent Calendar if no one present wishes to testify on an item. Anyone present who wishes to speak on an item should submit a speaker card prior to the start of the meeting, or raise his or her hand and advise the Chairperson, and the item will be pulled from the Consent Calendar for public comment and discussion prior to action.

Procedures for Correspondence to the Commissioners:

- To have materials included in the packet, the latest they can be submitted to the Commission Secretary is close of business (5:00 p.m.), on Tuesday, eight (8) days prior to the meeting date.
- To submit late materials for Staff to distribute at the Planning Commission meeting, those materials must be received by the Planning Commission Secretary, by 12:00 p.m. (noon), the day before the Planning Commission meeting.
- Members of the public may submit written comments at the Planning Commission meeting. To submit correspondence at the meeting, please provide 15 copies, and submit to the Planning Commission Secretary before the start time of the meeting.
- If correspondence is more than twenty (20) pages, requires printing of color pages, or includes pages larger than 8.5x11 inches, please provide 15 copies.
- Written comments/materials should be directed to the Planning Commission Secretary, at the Land Use Planning Division (Attn: Planning Commission Secretary).

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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-adjudicative 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.

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