



Zoning Adjustments Board Agenda

Planning & Development Department
Land Use Planning Division

Wednesday, November 8, 2017 - 7:00 PM

**City Council Chambers, 2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Second Floor
Berkeley (Wheelchair Accessible)**

Zoning Adjustment Board Members:

Igor Tregub (Chairperson), appointed by Mayor Arreguin
Savlan Hauser, appointed by Councilmember Droste
Teresa Clarke, appointed by Councilmember Maio
Patrick Sheahan, appointed by Councilmember Davila
John Selawsky, appointed by Councilmember Bartlett
Shoshana O'Keefe, appointed by Councilmember Hahn
Charles Kahn, appointed by Councilmember Wengraf
Vacant Board Seat, to be appointed by Councilmember Worthington
Carrie Olson, appointed by Councilmember Harrison

Public Testimony Guidelines

This meeting will be conducted in accordance with the Brown Act, Government Code Section 54953. Any member of the public may attend this meeting. The Board Chairperson may limit the number of speakers and the length of time allowed to each speaker. To speak at a public hearing, please submit a speaker card to Planning Staff as early as possible at the meeting.

At the start of the meeting the Board may rearrange the agenda or place additional agenda items on the Consent Calendar, so it is important to submit speaker cards at the start of the meeting to avoid losing the chance to speak to an item.

The Board encourages the public to submit comments in writing or by e-mail in advance of the meeting. See **Supplemental Communications and Reports** at the end of this Agenda for procedures.

How to Contact Us: Land Use Planning Division, Attn: Greg Powell, (510) 981-7410, (Zoning Adjustments Board Secretary), 1947 Center Street, Second Floor, Berkeley, CA 94704; zab@cityofberkeley.info.

Preliminary Matters

Roll Call

Ex Parte Communication Disclosures

In the context of adjudicative matters that come before the ZAB, ex parte communications are those which occur outside the formal hearing process. ZAB members should avoid ex-parte contacts on matters pending before the ZAB as much as possible, as they may represent, or be perceived to represent, the receipt of evidence that can unfairly influence a Board member's decision on a matter before the Board. If such contacts do occur, the substance of the communication they must be disclosed to all interested parties in advance of any public hearing or testimony to allow rebuttal. Written ex parte communications must be forwarded to the Secretary so that they can be disclosed to the entire Board and the public.

Preliminary Matters (Continued)

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters

Each Speaker is limited to a maximum of three minutes.

Agenda Changes

The Board Chairperson may reorder the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

Consent Calendar

The Consent Calendar allows the Board to take action, without discussion, on Agenda items for which there are no persons present who wish to speak, and no Board members who wish to discuss. The Consent Calendar may include four types of items:

- (1) Approval of previous meeting minutes;
- (2) Modifications of existing Use Permits (which have not been noticed for public hearings);
- (3) Items being continued to another meeting (Board action will be postponed to another meeting);
- (4) Applications that were withdrawn by the applicant after release of the Agenda; and
- (5) Items noticed for public hearing which the Board decides to move to the Consent Calendar.

The Board Chairperson will announce any additional items proposed for the Consent Calendar at approximately 7:05 PM. Anyone present who wishes to speak on these items should raise his or her hand and advise the Chairperson, and the item(s) will be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

1. **Approval of Action Minutes from October 26, 2017**

Recommendation: APPROVE

2. **2236 Channing Way – Continued from October 12, 2017**

Application: Use Permit **ZP#2017-0015** to convert 1,480 square feet of medical offices and 839 square feet of parking into three new dwelling units, for a total of 22 dwelling units in a multi-family dwelling.

Zoning: R-3 – Multiple Family Residential

CEQA Categorically exempt pursuant to Sections 15301 and 15332 of the CEQA Guidelines (“Existing Facilities” and “In-Fill Development Projects,” respectively).

Determination:

Applicant: Jim Novosel, The Bay Architects, 1840 B Alcatraz Avenue, Berkeley

Owner: Prasad and Rani Lakireddy, 2278 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley

Staff Planner: Sharon Gong, SGong@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7429

Recommendation: **CONTINUE** to November 30, 2017.

Discussion: EIR Scoping and Project Preview:

Public meeting to solicit input and comments from the Zoning Adjustments Board, the general public and other interested parties. No action will be taken.

3. 600 Addison Street – EIR Scoping and Preview

Application: **Project Preview and Draft EIR Scoping Session for Master Use Permit #ZP2015-0238** to demolish an industrial site of approximately 8.67 acres and to construct a research and development campus containing several multiple-story buildings totaling 475,000 square feet of gross floor area and including 830 on-site parking spaces.

Zoning: MU-LI – Mixed Use Light Industrial

CEQA An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is being prepared.

Determination:

Applicant: Joe DeCredico Studio, 800 Bancroft Way, Suite 203, Berkeley

Owner: Jason Jones, Aquatic Park Science Center II, LLC, PO Box 183, Corte Madera

Staff Planner: Fatema Crane, FCrane@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7413

Recommendation: **Hold a Public Hearing and Provide Advisory Comments.**

4. 1740 San Pablo Avenue – Project Preview

Application: **Project Preview for Use Permit #ZP2017-0014**, a project that would demolish two existing 1-story service station buildings at 1740 San Pablo Avenue and build a 5-story mixed-use building with 48 dwelling units, 4 live/work units, and 53 parking spaces at the ground floor.

Zoning: C-W – West Berkeley Commercial

CEQA An Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) is currently being prepared pursuant to Article 6 of the CEQA Guidelines.

Applicant: David Trachtenberg, Trachtenberg Architects, 2421 Fourth Street, Berkeley

Owner: PRATO Development, LLC, 1630 Oakland Road, Suite A215, San Jose

Staff Planner: Lucy Sundelson, LSundelson@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7433

Recommendation: **Hold a Public Hearing and Provide Advisory Comments.**

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Action Calendar

The public may comment on each item listed on the agenda for action as the item is taken up. The Board Chairperson may, with the consent of persons representing both sides of an issue, allocate a block of time to each side to present their issue. Action items may be reordered at the discretion of the Board Chairperson with the consent of Zoning Adjustments Board.

5. 1446 Campus Drive – Continued Public Hearing from April 27, 2017

Application: Use Permit #ZP2016-0146 to construct a 4,183 square foot, single-family dwelling and attached 424 square foot garage, with an average building height of 32 feet 8 inches, and a reduced front yard setback, on a 6,440 square foot vacant parcel.

Zoning: R-1(H) – Single-Family Residential, Hillside Overlay

CEQA Categorically exempt pursuant to Sections 15303 and 15332 of the CEQA Guidelines (“New Construction or Conversions of Small Structures” and “In-Fill Development Projects,” respectively).

Determination:

Applicant: Sundeep Grewal, Studio G+S Architects, 2223 Fifth Street, Berkeley

Owner: Lynn and David Ford, 1446 Campus Drive, Berkeley

Staff Planner: Loyal Nawfal, LNawfal@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7424

Recommendation: **APPROVE** Use Permit #ZP2016-0146 pursuant to Section 23B.32.040.

6. 2323 Eighth Street – New Public Hearing

Application: Use Permit #ZP2016-0223 to 1) demolish an existing 1,040-square-foot single-family dwelling and detached accessory structure, and 2) construct two, two-story, single-family dwellings of 2,181 and 2,213 square feet each.

Zoning: R-1A – Limited Two-Family Residential

CEQA Categorically exempt pursuant to Sections 15301 and 15332 of the CEQA Guidelines (“Existing Facilities” and “In-Fill Development Projects,” respectively).

Determination:

Applicant/Owner: Francis Wong, 926 Channing Way, Berkeley

Staff Planner: Sharon Gong, SGong@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7429

Recommendation: **APPROVE** Use Permit #2016-0223 pursuant to Section 23B.32.040.

7. Zoning Adjustments Board Meeting Schedule for 2018

Recommendation: **APPROVE**

Communications

All communications submitted to Zoning Adjustments Board are public record and are for information only. Other than referring an item to the Secretary for investigation and/or recommendations, no action may be taken in response any non-agenda communication.

Adjourn

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Communications Disclaimer

Communications to Berkeley boards, commissions or committees are public record and will become part of the City's electronic records, which are accessible through the City's website. Please note: e-mail addresses, names, addresses, and other contact information are not required, but if included in any communication to a City board, commission or committee, will become part of the public record. If you do not want your e-mail address or any other contact information to be made public, you may deliver communications via U.S. Postal Service or in person to the secretary of the relevant board, commission or committee. If you do not want your contact information included in the public record, please do not include that information in your communication. Please contact the secretary to the relevant board, commission or committee for further information.



Accessibility Information / ADA Disclaimer

This meeting is being held in a wheelchair accessible location. To request a disability-related accommodation(s) to participate in the meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please contact the Disability Services specialist at 981-6418 (V) or 981-6347 (TDD) at least three business days before the meeting date. Please refrain from wearing scented products to this meeting.

SB 343 Disclaimer

Any writings or documents provided to a majority of the Commission regarding any item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection at the Permit Service Center, Planning and Development Department located at 1947 Center Street, Berkeley, during regular business hours.

Supplemental Communications and Reports

Items received by the deadlines for submission will be compiled and distributed as follows. If no items are received by the deadline, no supplemental packet will be compiled for said deadline. All materials will be made available via the Zoning Adjustments Board Agenda page: <https://www.cityofberkeley.info/zoningadjustmentboard/>

- **Supplemental Communications and Reports 1** - All Materials submitted between noon the Wednesday the week before the meeting and noon Monday the week of the meeting, will be made available by 5:00 p.m. on Monday the week of the meeting.
- **Supplemental Communications and Reports 2** - All Materials submitted after noon on Monday the week of the meeting and before noon on Wednesday the day of the meeting, will be made available at noon on Wednesday. Any correspondence received after this deadline will be given to the Zoning Adjustment Board just prior to the meeting.
- Members of the public may submit written comments themselves at the meeting. To distribute correspondence at the meeting, please provide 15 copies and submit to the Zoning Adjustments Board Clerk. Correspondence received later, and after the meeting, will be posted to the web site following the meeting.
- **Please Note: You are strongly advised to submit written comments prior to noon Thursday, the meeting date, as Board members do not have an opportunity to read written materials handed out at the meeting.**

Notice of Decision Requests

Written comments or a request for a Notice of Decision should be directed to the Zoning Adjustments Board Secretary at zab@cityofberkeley.info.

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Notice Concerning Your Legal Rights

If you object to a decision by the Zoning Adjustments Board regarding a land use permit project, the following requirements and restrictions apply:

1. If you challenge the decision of the City in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Zoning Adjustments Board at, or prior to, the public hearing.
 2. You must appeal to the City Council within fourteen (14) days after the Notice of Decision of the action of the Zoning Adjustments Board is mailed. It is your obligation to notify the Land Use Planning Division in writing of your desire to receive a Notice of Decision when it is completed.
 3. Pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6(b) and Government Code Section 65009(c)(1), no lawsuit challenging a City Council decision, as defined by Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6(e), regarding a use permit, variance or other permit may be filed more than ninety (90) days after the date the decision becomes final, as defined in Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6(b). Any lawsuit not filed within that ninety (90) day period will be barred.
 4. Pursuant to Government Code Section 66020(d)(1), notice is hereby given to the applicant that the 90-day protest period for any fees, dedications, reservations, or other exactions included in any permit approval begins upon final action by the City, and that any challenge must be filed within this 90-day period.
 5. If you believe that this decision or any condition attached to it denies you any reasonable economic use of the subject property, was not sufficiently related to a legitimate public purpose, was not sufficiently proportional to any impact of the project, or for any other reason constitutes a "taking" of property for public use without just compensation under the California or United States Constitutions, the following requirements apply:
 - A. That this belief is a basis of your appeal.
 - B. Why you believe that the decision or condition constitutes a "taking" of property as set forth above.
 - C. All evidence and argument in support of your belief that the decision or condition constitutes a "taking" as set forth above.
- If you do not do so, you will waive any legal right to claim that your property has been taken, both before the City Council and in court.
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