Zoning Adjustments Board
Agenda

Thursday, April 12, 2018 - 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
Denise Pinkston (Vice Chairperson) 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
Brazile Clark, 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.

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 March 22, 2018
Recommendation: APPROVE
Consent Calendar (Continued):

2. **1330 Summit Road** – Continued from November 30, 2017
   
   **Application:** Use Permit #ZP2015-0111 to construct a new, approximately 3,950 sq. ft., three-story, 29'-11” in average height, single-family residence, on a vacant, 5,684 sq. ft. hillside lot with a 2’ front yard setback where a minimum of 20’ is required.

   **Zoning:** R-1(H) – Single-family Residential District, Hillside Overlay
   
   **CEQA** Categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15303 and 15332 of the CEQA Guidelines (“New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures” and “In-Fill Development,” respectively).

   **Applicant:** Minxi Liu, 812 5th Avenue, Oakland
   
   **Owner:** Hui Qing Lu, 30 Hill Road, Berkeley
   
   **Staff Planner:** Sydney Stephenson, sstephenshon@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7488

   **Recommendation:** APPROVE Use Permit #ZP2015-0111 pursuant to Section 23B.32.030.

3. **800 University Avenue** – New Public Hearing
   
   **Application:** Use Permit #ZP2017-0171 to establish beer and wine retail sales and service in an existing 1,175 square foot tenant space.

   **Zoning:** C-W – West Berkeley Commercial
   
   **CEQA** Categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines (“Existing Facilities”).

   **Applicant:** Baby Grape LLC, Thongsamut Putthongvilai, 1389 Jefferson Street, Unit A309, Oakland
   
   **Owner:** R & S 5th Street Apartments LLC, 2025 Fourth Street, Berkeley
   
   **Staff Planner:** Jim Frank, JFrank@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7548

   **Recommendation:** APPROVE Use Permit #ZP2017-0171 pursuant to Section 23B.32.030.

4. **1609 Eighth Street** – New Public Hearing
   
   **Application:** Use Permit #ZP2018-0003 to reconstruct a one-story, 1,012 square-foot single-family dwelling with attached garage at the front of a parcel due to an inadvertent demolition.

   **Zoning:** R-1A – Limited Two-Family Residential
   
   **CEQA** Categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15303 and 15332 of the CEQA Guidelines (“New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures” and “In-Fill Development,” respectively).

   **Applicant/Owner:** Steve Mann and Betty Ated, 1611 Eighth Street, Berkeley
   
   **Staff Planner:** Layal Nawfal, LNawfal@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7424

   **Recommendation:** APPROVE Use Permit #ZP2018-0003 pursuant to Section 23B.32.030.
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. **1436 Campus Drive** – New Public Hearing
Application: Remand of Use Permit ZP#2016-0062 to construct a new 4,195 sq. ft. single-family dwelling with an accessory dwelling unit, 5 bedrooms total, and a parking structure in the front yard setback.
Zoning: R-1(H) – Single-family Residential District, Hillside Overlay
CEQA Determination: Categorically exempt under Section 15303(a) and 15332 of the CEQA Guidelines (“New construction of a single-family residence in a residential zone” and “In-Fill Development,” respectively).
Applicant/Owner: Nga Pham and Maxim Noginov, 103 Murlagan Avenue #B, Mountain View
Staff Planner: Immanuel Bereket, IBereket@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7425
Recommendation: DENY Use Permit #ZP2016-0062 pursuant to Section 23B.32.030.

6. **1446 Fifth Street** – New Public Hearing
Application: Remand of Administrative Use Permit #ZP2016-0247 to construct 4 detached, 3-story, approximately 1,800 square-foot, single-family dwellings, each with an average height of 33’, on a 5,744 square-foot vacant parcel.
Zoning: MU-R – Mixed Use-Residential
CEQA Determination: Categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15332 of the CEQA Guidelines (“In-Fill Development”).
Applicant/Owner: 1446 Fifth Street, LLC, 805 Jones Street, Berkeley
Staff Planner: Lucy Sundelson, LSundelson@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7433
Action Calendar (Continued):

7. **749 Contra Costa Avenue** – New Public Hearing
   
   **Application:** Administrative Use Permit #ZP2016-0133 to construct a 618-square-foot addition on an existing 2,257-square-foot, three-story, single-family dwelling
   
   **Zoning:** R-1(H) – Single-family Residential District, Hillside Overlay
   
   **CEQA Determination:** Categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines (“Existing Facilities”).
   
   **Applicant:** Robert Pennell, Jarvis Architects, 5278 College Avenue, Oakland
   
   **Owner:** Aleyda and Chris Swain, 749 Contra Costa Avenue, Berkeley
   
   **Staff Planner:** Leslie Mendez, LMendez@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7426
   
   **Recommendation:** APPROVE Administrative Use Permit #ZP2016-0133 pursuant to Section 23B.28.060.C.1.

8. **1711 & 1713 Martin Luther King Jr. Way** – New Public Hearing
   
   **Application:** Use Permit & Variance #ZP2017-0179 to (1) legalize the conversion of existing commercial spaces to residential use in the front building thereby increasing the number of dwellings from one to two; (2) legalize the conversion of a first floor non-residential space to two dwellings and the creation of one dwelling on the second floor in the rear building thereby increasing the number of dwellings from one to four; (3) add a bedroom addition on the first floor of the rear building; (4) increase the total number of bedrooms on the parcel from three to 15; and (5) reduce required off-street parking spaces from eight to two, and provide parking in two tandem parking spaces.
   
   **Zoning:** R-2A – Restricted Multiple-Family Residential District
   
   **CEQA Determination:** Categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301 and 15303 of the CEQA Guidelines (“Existing Facilities” and “New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures,” respectively).
   
   **Applicant:** Rhoades Planning Group, c/o Mark Rhoades, 46 Shattuck Square, Suite 11, Berkeley
   
   **Owner:** Key Route Partners, LLC, et als., 6522 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland
   
   **Staff Planner:** Immanuel Bereket, IBereket@cityofberkeley.info, (510) 981-7425
   
   **Recommendation:** Direct Staff to prepare Findings and Conditions for adoption at a subsequent meeting of the Zoning Adjustments Board reflecting a majority vote.

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
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 Thursday the week before the meeting and noon Tuesday the week of the meeting, will be made available by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday the week of the meeting.

- **Supplemental Communications and Reports 2** - All Materials submitted after noon on Tuesday the week of the meeting and before noon on Wednesday, the day before the meeting, will be made available at 5:00 that 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 Wednesday, the day before the meeting, 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.
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.