Zoning Adjustments Board
Thursday, May 24, 2012 - 7:00 PM

City Council Chambers, 2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Second Floor
Berkeley, CA 94704 (Wheelchair Accessible)

How to Contact Us: Land Use Planning Division (Attn: Terry Blount, ZAB Secretary), 2120 Milvia Street, Berkeley, CA 94704; (510) 981-7410; zab@ci.berkeley.ca.us

Roll Call: 7:05 PM

Present:
George Williams (Chairperson), appointed by Councilmember Capitelli
Michael Alvarez Cohen (Vice-Chairperson), appointed by Councilmember Wozniak
Deborah Matthews, appointed by Mayor Bates
Robert Allen, appointed by Councilmember Wengraf
Toya Groves, appointed by Councilmember Anderson
Edward Kopelson, appointed by Councilmember Moore
Elisa Mikiten, appointed by Councilmember Maio
Sara Shumer, appointed by Councilmember Arreguin

Excused:
Sophie Hahn, appointed by Councilmember Worthington

Members of the Public

Present: 27
Speakers: 20

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, they must be placed in the record and disclosed to all interested parties sufficiently in advance of the decision to allow rebuttal.

- E. Mikiten: Spoke with Linda Maio’s office and Ali Kashani regarding the history of Iceland and past development proposals (agenda item #3)
Public Comment
Each Speaker is limited to a maximum of three minutes.

- None

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

- Minutes removed from Consent Calendar

1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
Minutes from the 05/10/2012 meeting

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<td>Action Motion:</td>
<td>APPROVED</td>
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<td>VOTE:</td>
<td>G. Williams 5-0-3-1 (Abstain: G. Williams, D. Matthews, T. Groves; Absent: S. Hahn)</td>
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New Hearings:

2. 2222 Harold Way

Use Permit #12-10000019 to convert 915 sq. ft. of office space into a three-bedroom dormitory for building staff members.

- Applicant: Tom Beil, Goring and Straja Architects, 729 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94710
- Property Owner: Head Lama of the Tibetan Nyingma Meditation Center, c/o Curt Caton, 2222 Harold Way, Berkeley, CA, 94704
- Zoning: C-DMU, Downtown Mixed-Use Outer Core; Planner: Elaine Rosenthal

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<td>Recommendation:</td>
<td>APPROVE Use Permit #12-10000019 subject to the Findings and Conditions</td>
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<td>Action:</td>
<td>APPROVED Use Permit #12-10000019 subject to the Findings and Conditions, and AMENDED the Conditions to limit the number of residents to 4.</td>
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Number of Speakers: 1

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<th>Motion / Second:</th>
<th>S. Shumer / R. Allen 8-0-0-1 (Absent: S. Hahn)</th>
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Continued Public Hearings:

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<td><strong>Use Permit #11-10000006</strong> to convert an existing 53,334 sq. ft. landmarked ice rink into a retail store, to construct two mezzanines totaling approximately 18,528 sq. ft., and to remove the earthen berms located on either side (north and south) of the building’s exterior, to accommodate approximately 44 parking spaces.</td>
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<td><strong>Applicant:</strong> SB Real Estate LLC, Box 29570, San Francisco, CA 94129</td>
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<td><strong>Property Owner:</strong> East Bay Iceland Inc, 7212 San Ramon Rd, Dublin, CA 94568</td>
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<td><strong>Zoning:</strong> C-SA “South Area Commercial”; <strong>Planner:</strong> Leslie Mendez</td>
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<td>C. <strong>AMENDED</strong> Conditions 12 and 13 and Mitigation Monitoring Program TRAF-1 and TRAF-2 to incorporate Traffic Engineer’s recommendation for the intersection at Ward and Martin Luther King Jr. Way</td>
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<th><strong>Motion / Second:</strong> R. Allen / D. Matthews</th>
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Additional Items:

B. Information/Communication

C. Discussion Item

D. Business Meeting

E. Chairperson’s Report
F. Current Business/Committee Appointment

G. Future Agenda Items

H. Other Matters
   □ Future Council Hearings on ZAB Decisions
      i. May 29, 2012 – 740 Heinz Avenue appeal

**Adjourn: 8:24 PM**

[Signature]

APPROVED:
Terry Blount, AICP
Zoning Adjustments Board Secretary

[Approved for posting by Terry Blount, Secretary, Zoning Adjustments Board]
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- **To distribute correspondence to Board members prior to the meeting date** -- submit comments by **12:00 noon, seven (7) days before the meeting.** Please provide 15 copies of any correspondence with more than ten (10) pages or if in color or photographic format.

- Correspondence received by 5:00 pm the Tuesday before the meeting will be posted on the ZAB web site for review by the Board and public prior to the meeting. Correspondence received later, and after the meeting, will be posted to the web site following the meeting.

- Any correspondence received after this deadline will be given to Board members on the meeting date just prior to the meeting.

- Staff will not deliver to Board members any additional written (or e-mail) materials received after 12:00 noon on the day of the meeting.

- Members of the public may submit written comments themselves early in the meeting. To distribute correspondence at the meeting, please provide 15 copies and submit to the Zoning Adjustments Board Clerk just before or at the beginning of the meeting.

- Written comments, or a request for a Notice of Decision should be directed to the ZAB Secretary at: Land Use Planning Division (Attn: Terry Blount, ZAB Secretary), 2120 Milvia Street, Berkeley, CA 94704 OR at zab@ci.berkeley.ca.us

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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.