Zoning Adjustments Board  
Thursday, October 28, 2010 – 7:00PM  

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: Steven Buckley, ZAB Secretary), 2120 Milvia Street, Berkeley, CA 94704; (510) 981-7410; zab@ci.berkeley.ca.us  

Roll Call: 7:02PM  
Excused: NONE  
Absent: NONE  

Public Attendance: 17  
Number of Speakers: 19  

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.  

- G. Williams – spoke to neighbors at 2133 Parker Street project  

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.

- Item #2 moved to Consent Calendar

Consent Calendar
The Consent Calendar allows the Board to take action with no discussion, on projects to which no one objects. The Agenda includes three types of Consent Calendar 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 has been postponed to another meeting). The Board Chairperson will announce items for the Consent Calendar at 7:05 pm. The Board may place additional Agenda 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 raise his or her hand and advise the Chairperson, and the item will be pulled from the consent calendar. Modification Projects may be discussed by the Board at this meeting or set for a public hearing at a later meeting. Items already noticed for a public hearing will be heard following Continued Items, or, if necessary, posted for a public hearing at a subsequent meeting.

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<th>Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes</th>
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<td>Minutes from 10/14/10 meeting</td>
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<td>Recommendation:</td>
<td>APPROVE</td>
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<td>Action:</td>
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<td>Motion:</td>
<td>B. Allen, M. Cohen</td>
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<td>VOTE:</td>
<td>6-0-2-1 (Abstain: S. Shumer, E. Mikiten; Absent: D. Koon)</td>
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New Hearings:

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<th>2422 Seventh Street</th>
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<td>Use Permit #10-10000060 to raise an existing one-story, single-family house thereby vertically extending a non-conforming 14-foot front yard setback (where 20 feet is required) and to construct a new, approximately 996-square-foot dwelling unit on the new first story.</td>
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<td>Applicant/Property Owner: John Melissa Washburn, 2422 Seventh Street, Berkeley (Zoning: R1-A, Limited Two-Family Residential District; Planner: Leslie Mendez)</td>
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<td>Continued From:</td>
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<td>Recommendation:</td>
<td>APPROVE pursuant to Findings and Conditions</td>
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<td>Number of Speakers: NA</td>
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3. **1423 Kains Avenue**

   MODUP #10-70000010 and Variance #10-10000071 to modify Use Permit #07-10000045 by reducing the amount of approved off-street parking from four spaces to two, where four spaces are required.

   Applicant/Property Owner: Ali Eslami, P.O. Box 4623, Berkeley

   (Zoning: R-2, Restricted Two-Family Residential; Planner: Leslie Mendez)

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<td>Recommendation:</td>
<td>DENY MODUP #10-70000010 and VAR #10-10000071 pursuant to Section 23B.32.040</td>
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   **Number of Speakers: 5**

   **Action:** Continue until November 4 so the applicant's counsel and the city attorney can find a resolution

   **Motion:** S. Shumer, J. Anthony

   **VOTE:** 9-0-0-0

4. **2133 Parker Street**

   Administrative Use Permit #10-20000097 to alter the front roof line; expand a rear access stair and deck; and relocate parking to the front yard of an existing three-unit building.

   Applicant/Property Owner: Ali Eslami, P.O. Box 4623, Berkeley

   (Zoning: R-2A, Restricted Multiple-Family Residential; Planner: Greg Powell)

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<td>Recommendation:</td>
<td>Open the public hearing and continue the hearing to allow the applicant to prepare an alternative parking proposal for presentation to the City on later date.</td>
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   **Number of Speakers: 14**

   **Action:** DENY the Administrative Use Permit based on detriment to the neighborhood

   **Motion:** M. Cohen, S. Shumer

   **VOTE:** 9-0-0-0

**Additional Agenda Items:**

The following agenda items may be discussed, but no action may be taken unless a specific item is listed on this agenda.

1. Information/Communication
2. Business Meeting
3. Chairperson’s Report
4. Current Business/Committee Appointment
5. Future Agenda Items
6. Other Matters

**Adjourn: 9:47PM**

[Approved for posting by Steven Buckley, Secretary, Zoning Adjustments Board]
Correspondence and Notice of Decision Requests

- 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.

- 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 the 5:00 pm 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: Steven Buckley, 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.