



City of Mountain View

Minutes

Environmental Planning Commission

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chambers and Video Conference, 500
Castro St., Mountain View, CA 94041

This meeting was conducted with a virtual component.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dempsey called the meeting of the Environmental Planning Commission to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Commissioner Bill Cranston, Commissioner Paul Donahue, Commissioner Alex Nunez, Commissioner Joyce Yin, Vice Chair Jose Gutierrez and Chair Hank Dempsey

3. MINUTES APPROVAL - NONE.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Chair Dempsey opened the floor at 7:03 p.m. to public testimony asking if anyone from the public wished to speak on any non-agenda items.

No members of the public wished to speak.

Chair Dempsey closed the public comment portion of the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Chair Dempsey introduced Jennifer Ng, the New Public Works Director, to the Commission.

1.1 Housing Element (Program 1.1.g) Zoning and General Plan Consistency with Site Inventory

Senior Planner Krisha Penollar and Planning Manager, Eric Anderson gave an oral staff presentation and responded to questions from the Environmental Planning Commission.

Chair Dempsey opened the floor at 7:14 p.m. to public testimony, asking if anyone from the public wished to speak on this item.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR:

- Max Bosel
- Tejash Mistry

SPEAKING VIRTUALLY:

- Mary Tatio
- Chuck Muir

Public testimony concluded at 7:23 p.m.

Chair Dempsey recused himself from EPC discussion and deliberation involving 1720 Miramonte Avenue

due to the proximity of his residence.

Vice Chair Gutierrez facilitated the EPC deliberation.

Chair Dempsey rejoined the deliberations on the remainder of the sites under discussion.

Chair Dempsey concluded deliberation at 8:45 p.m.

1.2 Economic Vitality Strategy Overview

Principal Planner, Diana Pancholi introduced the item and Economic Vitality Strategist, Amanda Rotella, who gave an oral staff presentation.

Amanda Rotella, Economic Vitality Strategist and Christian Murdock, Community Development Director answered questions from the EPC.

Chair Dempsey opened the floor at 9:14 p.m. to public testimony, asking if anyone from the public wished to speak on this item.

No members of the public wished to speak.

Public testimony concluded on this item at 9:14 p.m.

Discussion on this item concluded at 9:15 p.m.

1.3 EPC Chair and Vice Chair Elections

Commissioner Nunez nominated Vice Chair Gutierrez as EPC Chair.

Commissioner Yin seconded.

Commissioner Gutierrez accepted the nomination.

Chair Dempsey opened the floor at 9:18 p.m. to public testimony, asking if anyone from the public wished to speak on this item.

No members of the public wished to speak.

Chair Dempsey closed the nominations.

Roll call vote was taken and the motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Cranston, Commissioner Donahue, Commissioner Yin, Commissioner Nunez, Vice Chair Gutierrez and Chair Dempsey.

Commissioner Gutierrez nominated Commissioner Nunez as EPC Vice Chair.

Commissioner Cranston seconded.

Commissioner Nunez accepted the nomination.

Chair Dempsey opened the floor at 9:21 a.m. to public testimony, asking if anyone from the public wished to speak on this item.

No members of the public wished to speak.

Chair Dempsey closed the nominations.

Roll call vote was taken and the motion carried with the following:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Cranston, Commissioner Donahue, Commissioner Nunez, Commissioner Yin,
Vice Chair Gutierrez and Chair Dempsey

6. COMMISSION/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, REQUESTS, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director Murdock thanked former Chair Dempsey and Vice Chair Gutierrez for all their work during the past year. Director Murdock also informed EPC that Council Member Kamei is the new Mayor, and Council Member Ramos is the new Vice Mayor.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Dempsey adjourned the meeting at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Pancholi
Principal Planner

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