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Councilmember Chris Clark
Councilmember Alison Hicks
Councilmember John McAlister
Councilmember Lucas Ramirez
Councilmember Pat Showalter

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Jennifer Logue, City Attorney
Heather Glaser, City Clerk

August 26, 2025

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

SPECIAL MEETING

This meeting was conducted with a virtual component. All members of the City Council and all speakers participated in-person unless otherwise noted.

5:00 P.M.-SPECIAL SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:04 p.m., Vice Mayor Ramos called the meeting to order.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Ramos led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Councilmember Clark, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember McAlister,
Councilmember Ramirez, Councilmember Showalter, Vice Mayor Ramos, Mayor Kamei

4. PUBLIC HEARING

4.1 2025 Building Codes Update

Assistant Community Development Director Lindsay Hagan and Chief Building Official Nena Bizjak presented the item.

The following members of the public spoke:

Bruce Karney from Mountain View.

Shani Kleinhaus, on behalf of the Santa Clara Valley Bird Alliance.

Dashiell Leeds, on behalf of the Sierra Club, Loma Prieta Chapter.

Mary Dateo from Mountain View.

(Virtual) John S

(Virtual) Bruce Naegel

David Watson from Mountain View.

(Virtual) Alex Brown

By consensus, at the request of Councilmember Ramirez, the Council directed staff to prepare an off-agenda memo to provide a status update regarding single-stairway multi-family buildings, including AB 835 implementation, applicability to Mountain View, and other relevant information.

MOTION – M/S - Showalter/Ramirez - To:

1. Introduce an Ordinance of the City of Mountain View Amending the Mountain View City Code to Delete Chapter 8, Article VIII (Floodplain Management), in its Entirety and Adopt a New Chapter 48 (Floodplain Management), and Finding that the Amendments are Exempt from Review Under the California Environmental Quality Act, and set a second reading for September 9, 2025.
2. Introduce an Ordinance of the City of Mountain View Adopting the 2024 International Property Maintenance Code with Local Amendments, Amending the Mountain View City Code to Delete Chapter 8, Article V (2021 International Property Maintenance Code) in its Entirety and Adopt a New Article VI (Property Maintenance Code) in Chapter 25 (Neighborhood Preservation) to Locate with Other Similar City Regulations, and Finding that the Amendments are Exempt from Review Under the California Environmental Quality Act, and set a second reading for September 9, 2025.
3. Introduce an Ordinance of the City of Mountain View Amending Chapter 24 (Hazardous Materials) of the Mountain View City Code to Streamline Content and Make Other Clarifying Amendments, and Finding that the Amendments are Exempt from Review Under the California Environmental Quality Act, and set a second reading for September 9, 2025.
4. Introduce an Ordinance of the City of Mountain View: (1) Repealing Local Amendments to the 2022 California Building Standards Code; (2) Adopting Local Amendments to the 2025 California Building Standards Code, Including the 2025 California Energy Code; (3) Amending Chapter 8 (Buildings) and Chapter 14 (Fire Prevention) of the Mountain View City Code to Comply with Changes to State Law; (4) Adopting Findings to Support the Local Amendments; and (5) Finding this Ordinance is Exempt from Review Under the California Environmental Quality Act, and set a second reading for September 9, 2025, amended as follows to add further refinements to the bird-safe design requirements:

(Exhibit B, Appendix A5.107 of the 2025 California Green Building Standards Code)

Remove interior-applied film as a compliance measure for glazing

Remove netting as a compliance measure related to slates, screens, netting and louvers

Remove the dimensional threshold for passageways that require glazing treatment (e.g. any width applies)

Modify the types of special architectural features that require glazing treatment to add the following:

Atriums (open and enclosed)

Glazing adjacent to courtyards

Three floors of glazing adjacent to any green roof or partial green roof

Any stand-alone accessory or ancillary structure, such as, but not limited to, gazebos, ticket booths, bus shelters, or any free-standing clear, transparent, or highly-reflective structure

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Councilmember Clark, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember McAlister,
Councilmember Ramirez, Councilmember Showalter, Vice Mayor Ramos, Mayor Kamei

5. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT (OPEN SESSION)

City Attorney Logue announced the items listed for Closed Session and stated the Council would not take any final reportable action in Closed Session.

There were no public speakers in-person or virtually.

At 6:34 p.m., Mayor Kamei recessed the meeting to Closed Session.

6. CLOSED SESSION (PLAZA CONFERENCE ROOM)

6.1 Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation (California Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)); Name of case: San Francisco Baykeeper v. City of Mountain View; City of Sunnyvale; United States District Court, Northern District of California, Case No. 20-CV-00824-EJD

6.2 Public Employee Performance Evaluation (California Government Code §54957(b)(1))
Title: Council Appointees: City Attorney, City Clerk, and City Manager

7. ADJOURNMENT

At 10:30 p.m., Closed Session concluded.