

City of Mountain View

Minutes

Environmental Planning Commission

Wednesday, February 5, 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

Vice Chair Nunez called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present

 5 - Commissioner Bill Cranston, Commissioner Paul Donahue, Commissioner Alex Nunez, Commissioner Joyce Yin and Chair Hank Dempsey

Absent

1 - Vice Chair Jose Gutierrez

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

Vice Chair Nunez introduced the item for discussion.

Vice Chair Nunez opened the floor at 7:03 p.m. to public testimony, asking if anyone from the public wished to speak on the item.

No members of the public wished to speak.

Public testimony concluded at 7:04 p.m.

MOTION - M/S - Dempsey/Cranston

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes:

 5 - Commissioner Cranston, Commissioner Donahue, Commissioner Nunez, Commissioner Yin and Chair Dempsey

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Vice Chair Nunez opened the floor at 7:04 p.m. to public testimony, asking if anyone from the public wished to speak on anything not on the agenda.

SPEAKING IN PERSON:

Andrea Wald

SPEAKING VIRTUALLY:

Bruce England

Public testimony concluded at 7:10 p.m.

5. STUDY SESSION

5.1 Citywide Transportation Demand Management Ordinance-Framework

Transportation Planner, Ben Pancho and Principal Planner, Diana Pancholi gave an oral staff presentation and responded to questions from the Environmental Planning Commission.

Vice Chair Nunez opened the floor at 7:27 p.m. to public testimony, asking if anyone from the public wished to speak on this item.

SPEAKING IN PERSON:

· Speaker did not fill out comment card

Public Testimony concluded at 7:30 p.m.

Vice Chair Nunez facilitated the EPC deliberation.

Vice Chair Nunez concluded deliberation at 8:55 p.m.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

6.1 Code Amendment to Chapter 36 (Zoning)-Below-Market-Rate Housing Program

Affordable Housing Manager, Julie Barnard and Housing Director, Wayne Chen gave an oral staff presentation and responded to questions from the Environmental Planning Commission.

Vice Chair Nunez opened the floor at 9:11 p.m. to public testimony, asking if anyone from the public wished to speak on this item.

SPEAKING IN PERSON:

John Scarboro

Public Testimony concluded at 9:13 p.m.

The EPC deliberated on staff recommendations 1 and 2 regarding Code Amendments to Chapter 36 (Zoning) - Below-Market-Rate Housing Program

MOTION - M/S - Yin/Cranston - That the Environmental Planning Commission:

- 1. Adopt an ordinance of the City of Mountain View Amending Mountain View City Code Sections 36.40.05, 36.40.10, 36.40.15 and 36.40.20 to make clarifying modifications and adding section 36.40.16 Governing Rent Increases for Below Market Rate units to the Mountain View City Code (Exhibit 1 to the EPC Staff Report).
- 2. Find that pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15060 (c)(2), the proposed Code amendments are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act because they will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes:

5 - Commissioner Cranston, Commissioner Donahue, Commissioner Nunez, Commissioner Yin and Chair Dempsey

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

Principal Planner, Diana Pancholi made announcements regarding R3 zoning, the next EPC meeting scheduled for February 19, 2025 had been cancelled and lastly, discussed the Builders Remedy project and answered questions from the EPC.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Nunez adjourned the meeting at 9:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Pancholi Principal Planner

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