



# PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AGENDA

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*Wednesday, August 31, 2005*  
**REGULAR MEETING at 7:00 PM**  
*Council Chambers*  
*Civic Center, 1st Floor*  
*250 Hamilton Avenue*  
*Palo Alto, California 94301*

## **ROLL CALL:**

### **Commissioners:**

*Phyllis Cassel*  
*Paula Sandas*  
*Lee I. Lippert*  
*Karen Holman*  
*Patrick Burt*  
*Daniel Garber*  
*Annette Bialson*

### **Staff:**

*Steve Emslie, Planning Director*  
*Don Larkin, Senior Deputy City Attorney*  
*Curtis Williams, Acting Current Planning Manager*  
*Joseph Kott; Chief Transportation Official*  
*David Stillman, Transportation Engineer*  
*Clare Campbell, Associate Planner*  
*Zariah Betten, Executive Secretary*

## **PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS**

*Please be advised the normal order of public hearings of agenda items is as follows:*

- *Announce agenda item*
- *Open public hearing*
- *Staff recommendation*
- *Applicant presentation - Fifteen(15) minutes limitation or at the discretion of the Commission.*
- *Appellant presentation (if applicable) - Fifteen(15) minutes limitation or at the discretion of the Commission.*
- *Planning Commission questions of the applicant/staff*
- *Public comment - Five(5) minutes limitation per speaker or limitation to three(3) minutes depending on large number of speakers per item.*
- *Applicant closing comments - Three (3) minutes*
- *Close public hearing*
- *Discussion/motions/recommendations by the Commission*
- *Final vote*

***SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY***

**1. Selection of Chair and Vice-Chair**

***ORAL COMMUNICATIONS.*** Members of the public may speak to any item not on the agenda with a limitation of three (3) minutes per speaker. Those who desire to speak must complete a speaker request card available from the secretary of the Commission. The Planning and Transportation Commission reserves the right to limit the oral communications period to 15 minutes.

***AGENDA CHANGES, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS.*** The agenda may have additional items added to it up until 72 hours prior to meeting time.

***UNFINISHED BUSINESS:***

***Other Items.***

**2. Discussion on Further Topics for the Joint Study Session with City Council.**

***NEW BUSINESS:***

***Public Hearings.***

- 3. 4243 Manuela Avenue\*** - Request by VelociTel, on behalf of Aldersgate Methodist Church, for a Conditional Use Permit to allow the installation of (1) one 45-foot, 20-inch diameter, monopole with six telecommunications antennas concealed within the top region, (2) two associated equipment cabinets, and (3) fencing and landscape improvements in the parking lot area of the existing church and landscape improvements in the parking lot area of the existing church. The proposed service provider is Cingular Wireless. Zone District: R-1(20,000). Environmental Assessment: Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act per section 15303.
- 4. Zoning Ordinance Update** - Amendment to 18.04.030 (65) Gross Floor Area (Adopted Low Density Residential Definition) and related references in the Single Family Residential Chapter 18.12.040 Table 3: Summary of Gross Floor Area for Low Density Residential Districts, requiring that carports, including those that are completely open on three or more sides shall count towards gross floor area for low density residential homes.

**\*Quasi-Judicial Items Subject to Council's Disclosure Policy**

***REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS.***

***COMMISSION MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, AND/OR ANNOUNCEMENTS.***

- Commission Representation at City Council:

August: Lee Lippert

September:  
October:  
November:  
December:  
January:

- Commission Representation at Committees:

Housing Corporation Representative:	Vacant
Traffic Calming:	Annette Bialson
Palo Alto Intermodal Transit Center (Dream Team)	Vacant
El Camino Real Study Committee	Annette Bialson
ZOU Parking Subcommittee	Annette Bialson, Vacant, Phyllis Cassel
ZOU Special Districts and Open Space	Karen Holman, Patrick Burt, Phyllis Cassel
ZOU Design and Environment Committee	Vacant, Lee Lippert and Susan Eschweiler (ARB); Susan Haviland (HRB)

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES:*** July 27, 2005

***NEXT MEETING:*** September 14, 2005.

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