



PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AGENDA

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*Wednesday, July 27, 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 – Chair
Bonnie Packer – V-Chair
Lee I. Lippert
Karen Holman
Patrick Burt
Michael Griffin
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
Zariah Betten, Executive Secretary*

PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS

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*

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.

CONSENT CALENDAR. Items will be voted on in one motion unless removed from the calendar by a Commission Member. **None.**

AGENDA CHANGES, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS. The agenda may have additional items added to it up until 72 hours prior to meeting time. **None.**

NEW BUSINESS:
Public Hearings

1. Public hearing to review findings and recommendations regarding evaluation of performance of the new traffic signal on Middlefield at the Midtown commercial center, the existing pedestrian-actuated signal on Middlefield at Midtown, the feasibility of additional provisions for bicycle and pedestrian travel along and across Middlefield at Midtown, and the desirability of further review of transportation/planning issues associated with the Midtown area.

Other Items:

2. Revised Bylaws and Procedural Rules: Review and adoption of revised Bylaws and procedural rules of the Planning and Transportation Commission of the City of Palo Alto.
3. Discussion of Topics for the Joint Study Session with City Council.

***Quasi-Judicial Items Subject to Council’s Disclosure Policy**

REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS.

COMMISSION MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, AND/OR ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- Commission Representation at City Council:

July: Karen Holman
August: Lee Lippert
September: Phyllis Cassel

- Commission Representation at Committees:

Housing Corporation Representative:

Bonnie Packer

Traffic Calming:
Palo Alto Intermodal Transit Center (Dream Team)
El Camino Real Study Committee
ZOU Parking Subcommittee

ZOU Special Districts and Open Space

ZOU Design and Environment Committee

CIP Sub-Committee

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Karen Holman, Patrick Burt,
Phyllis Cassel
Bonnie Packer, Lee Lippert and Susan
Eschweiler (ARB); Susan Haviland (HRB)
Patrick Burt, Karen Holman, Lee Lippert

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 8 and 29, 2005

NEXT MEETING: August 31, 2005.

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