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# City Council

**Tuesday, May 18, 2021**

Special Meeting

**5:00 PM**

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**\*\*\*BY VIRTUAL TELECONFERENCE ONLY\*\*\***

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Members of the public may speak to agenda items; up to three minutes per speaker, to be determined by the presiding officer. If you wish to address the Council on any issue that is on this agenda, please complete a speaker request card located on the table at the entrance to the Council Chambers, and deliver it to the City Clerk prior to discussion of the item. You are not required to give your name on the speaker card in order to speak to the Council, but it is very helpful. Public comment may be addressed to the full City Council via email at [City.Council@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:City.Council@cityofpaloalto.org).

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**HEARINGS REQUIRED BY LAW**

Applicants and/or appellants may have up to ten minutes at the outset of the public discussion to make their remarks and up to three minutes for concluding remarks after other members of the public have spoken.

Call to Order

Agenda Changes, Additions and Deletions

Study Session

5:00-6:00 PM

1. 955 Alma St [21PLN-00013]: Request for Prescreening of a Proposal to Rezone the Subject Site From RT-35 to Planned Community/Planned Home Zoning (PHZ) and Redevelop the Site With a new 4-Story Mixed-use Development That Includes 36 Residential Studios, 6,348 Square Feet of Office Space, and a Below Grade Parking Facility. Environmental Assessment: Not a Project; any Subsequent Formal

Presentation

Public  
Comment

Application Would be Subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Review. Zoning District: RT-35 (Residential Transition District) South of Forest Avenue (SOFA) II Coordinated Area Plan (CAP)

6:00-7:00 PM

- Presentation 2. 2239 Wellesley (21PLN-00045): Request by Cato Investments, LLC for Prescreening of Their Proposal to Rezone the Properties at 2239 and 2241 Wellesley from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to Planned Community/Planned Home Zoning (PHZ) and to Redevelop the Site With a 24-Unit Multi-family Development. Environmental Assessment: Not a Project; any Subsequent Formal Application Would be Subject to California Environmental Review Act (CEQA) Review
- Public Comment

Oral Communications

7:10-7:25 PM

*Members of the public may speak to any item NOT on the agenda. Council reserves the right to limit the duration of Oral Communications period to 30 minutes.*

Consent Calendar

7:25-7:30 PM

*Items will be voted on in one motion unless removed from the calendar by three Council Members.*

- Q&A 3. Adoption of Ordinances Responding to State Housing Bills Regarding Density Bonus and Affordable Housing. Environmental Assessment: Exempt Pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3)

Action Items

*Include: Reports of Committees/Commissions, Ordinances and Resolutions, Public Hearings, Reports of Officials, Unfinished Business and Council Matters.*

7:30-8:45 PM

- Presentation 4. PUBLIC HEARING / QUASI-JUDICIAL: 181 Addison Avenue [20PLN-00300] Request for Review of a Preliminary Parcel Map With Exception and Variance to Subdivide one Existing lot Into two Parcels With Less Than the Minimum 60 Foot Frontage. Environmental Assessment: Consistent With Previously Adopted Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the City's Comprehensive Plan. Zoning District: R-2 (Two Family Residential) Within the South of Forest Avenue (SOFA) II Coordinated Area Plan (CAP)
- Public Comment

8:45-10:10 PM

- Memo 5. Direction to Staff Regarding 2023-31 Regional Housing Needs Allocation Appeal
- Presentation

Public Comment Council Member Questions, Comments and Announcements

*Members of the public may not speak to the item(s)*

Adjournment

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2. **Spoken public comments using a computer** will be accepted through the teleconference meeting. To address the Council, click on the link below to access a Zoom-based meeting. Please read the following instructions carefully.
  - A. You may download the Zoom client or connect to the meeting in-browser. If using your browser, make sure you are using a current, up-to-date browser: Chrome 30+, Firefox 27+, Microsoft Edge 12+, Safari 7+. Certain functionality may be disabled in older browsers including Internet Explorer.
  - B. You may be asked to enter an email address and name. We request that you identify yourself by name as this will be visible online and will be used to notify you that it is your turn to speak.
  - C. When you wish to speak on an Agenda Item, click on "raise hand." The Clerk will activate and unmute speakers in turn. Speakers will be notified shortly before they are called to speak.
  - D. When called, please limit your remarks to the time limit allotted.
  - E. A timer will be shown on the computer to help keep track of your comments.
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