



**PLANNING DIRECTOR'S HEARING AGENDA**

**Wednesday, October 04, 2017**

**9:00 a.m.  
Council Chambers  
City Hall**

**200 East Santa Clara Street  
San José, California 95113-1905**

**Hearing Officer**

**Ned Thomas, Division Manager  
on behalf of**

**Rosalynn Hughey, Interim Director  
Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement**

## NOTICE

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## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Good morning, we are calling to order the Planning Director's Hearing of **October 04, 2017**. My name is **Ned Thomas** and I am the Hearing Officer for today's agenda on behalf of and delegated by the Interim Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Rosalynn Hughey.

Please note the following:

- Please remember to turn off your cell phones.
- A copy of the agenda is available on the tables by the doors for your convenience.
- A parking validation machine for the garage under City Hall is located at the rear of the chambers.

The hearing procedure and order of input is as follows:

1. I will identify the project as described on the agenda
2. Staff will provide a brief report
3. The applicant and/or representative will have up to 5 minutes to speak and should make themselves known as their item comes up by approaching the microphone and identifying themselves and stating their name, or just wave from the audience if you do not wish to speak
4. The public provides testimony up to 2 minutes per speaker, either for or against the project. Please state your name for the record
5. Following the public testimony, the applicant may make closing remarks of up to 5 minutes
6. The public hearing will then be closed. I may request staff to respond to the public testimony, ask staff questions and/or discuss the item and then I will take action on the item.

**If you challenge these land use decisions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at this public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior to, the public hearing.**

**The Planning Director's action on these agenda items is final when the permit is signed and mailed, unless the permit or the environmental clearance determination is appealed.** The Planning Director's actions on the permits are appealable in accordance with the requirements of Title 20 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code. The Planning Director's actions on the environmental review for the permits under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) are separately appealable in accordance with the requirements of Title 21 (Environmental Clearance) of the Municipal Code.

The City of San Jose is committed to open and honest government and strives to consistently meet the community's expectations by providing excellent service, in a positive and timely manner, and in the full view of the public. The City Code of Ethics may be viewed on-line at <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/documentcenter/view/3818>

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**AGENDA**  
**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**2. DEFERRALS**

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Any item scheduled for hearing this morning for which deferral is being requested will be taken out of order, to be heard first on the matter of deferral. A list of staff recommended deferrals is available on the table. I will identify the items to be deferred and then ask for comments from the audience. If you want to change any of the deferral dates recommended or speak to the question of deferring these or any other items, you should say so at this time. I will now open the public hearing. The following items are proposed to be deferred.

**No Items**

**The matter of Deferrals is now closed.**

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR**

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**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

The consent calendar items are considered to be routine and will be considered in one action. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made by the staff or the public to have an item removed from the consent calendar and considered separately.

- a. [SP17-012](#). Special Use Permit to demolish an existing retaining wall (previously demolished without permits) and construct a retaining wall on a 0.145-gross acre site, in the R-1-8 Single-Family Residence Zoning District, located on the west side of Ventura Avenue, approximately 145 feet south of River View Drive (4663 Ventura Avenue) (Michael Sidejas, Owner). Council District: 2. CEQA: Exempt per CEQA Guidelines Section 15303(e) for New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.

*PROJECT MANAGER, EDWARD SCHREINER*

**Staff Recommendation:** Consider the Exemption in accordance with CEQA. [Approve a](#) Special Use Permit as described above.

- b. [SP17-013](#). Special Use Permit to reinstate commercial office uses on the first floor of an existing mixed use building in the CN Commercial Neighborhood Zoning District on a 0.19-gross acre site, located on the east side of South 10th Street, approximately 170 feet northerly of East William Street (470 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street) (Tai-Wei Lin, Owner). Council District: 3. CEQA: Exempt per CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(a) for Existing Facilities.

*PROJECT MANAGER, EDWARD SCHREINER*

**Staff Recommendation:** Consider the Exemption in accordance with CEQA. [Approve a](#) Special Use Permit as described above.

- c. [SP17-029](#). Special Use Permit to legalize an unpermitted one-story additions (approximately 793-square feet and 1,504-square feet) to two single-family residences on a 0.29-gross acre site, in the R-2 Two-Family Residence Zoning District, located on the east side of North 6th Street, approximately 250 feet south of East Younger Avenue (948 and 950 North 6th Street) (Ping & Lily Hsu, Owner). Council District: 3. CEQA: Exempt per CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(e) for Existing Facilities.

*PROJECT MANAGER, EDWARD SCHREINER*

**Staff Recommendation:** Consider the Exemption in accordance with CEQA. [Approve a](#) Special Use Permit as described above.

- d. [PDA70-036-04](#). Live Tree Removal Permit to remove three (3) Monterey Pine trees, approximately 62, 63 and 84 inches in circumference, and one (1) Liquidambar tree, approximately 60 inches in circumference, located in the common area of a residential complex on an approximately 22.82-gross acre site, in the R-1-8(PD) Planned Development Zoning District, located near 781 Lava Drive (Ponderosa Woods HOA). Council District: 4. CEQA: Exempt per CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(h) for Existing Facilities.

*PROJECT MANAGER, JENNIFER PIOZET*

**Staff Recommendation:** Consider the Exemption in accordance with CEQA. [Approve a](#) Live Tree Removal Permit as described above.

- e. [TR16-536](#). Live Tree Removal Permit to remove one (1) Deodar Cedar tree, with two trunks. One trunk is approximately 56.5 inches in circumference and the other is approximately 69 inches in circumference. The tree to be removed is located in the side yard of a single-family residence, on an approximately 0.16-gross acre site, in the R-1-8 Single-Family Residence Zoning District at 2102 Carlton Avenue. (Ke Zhang and Yifei Zhu, Owners). Council District: 9. CEQA: Exempt per CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(h) for Existing Facilities.

*PROJECT MANAGER, RHONDA BUSS*

**Staff Recommendation:** Consider the Exemption in accordance with CEQA. [Approve a](#) Live Tree Removal Permit as described above.

- f. [TR17-538](#). Live Tree Removal Permit to remove one (1) Palm tree, approximately 60 inches in circumference, located in the front yard of a commercial property on a 0.36-gross acre site in the A(PD) Planned Development Zoning District, located on the north side of The Alameda, approximately 60 feet westerly of Villa Avenue (1666 The Alameda) (Richard A. and Margo M. Gorini, Owners). Council District 6. CEQA: Exempt per CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(h) for Existing Facilities.

*PROJECT MANAGER, JAMES MURPHY*

**Staff Recommendation:** Consider the Exemption in accordance with CEQA. [Approve a](#) Live Tree Removal Permit as described above.

- g. [TR17-554](#). Live Tree Removal Permit to remove one (1) Redwood tree, approximately 106 inches in circumference, located in the front yard of a single-family residence on a 0.46-gross acre site in the R-1-8 Single-Family Residential Zoning District, located at 1318 Cherry Avenue (Justin Warner, Owner). Council District: 6. CEQA: Exempt per CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(h) for Existing Facilities.

*PROJECT MANAGER, JENNIFER PIOZET*

**Staff Recommendation:** Consider the Exemption in accordance with CEQA. [Approve a Live Tree Removal Permit](#) as described above.

- h. [TR17-535](#). Live Tree Removal Permit to remove one (1) Carob tree, approximately 72 inches in circumference, located in the front yard of a single-family residence on a 0.17-gross acre site in the R-1-8 Single-Family Residence Zoning District, located on the west side of Trent Drive, approximately 50 feet westerly of Troy Park Place (4851 Trent Drive) (Raymond J and Mary A. Edwards Trustee, Owner). Council District 9. CEQA: Exempt per CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(h) for Existing Facilities.

*PROJECT MANAGER, JAMES MURPHY*

**Staff Recommendation:** Consider the Exemption in accordance with CEQA. [Approve a Live Tree Removal Permit](#) as described above.

**The Consent Calendar is now closed.**

#### **4. PUBLIC HEARING**

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No Items

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

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**This concludes the Planning Director's Hearing for October 04, 2017. Thank you.**

PLANNING DIRECTOR'S AGENDA ON THE WEB:

<http://www.sanjoseca.gov/index.aspx?nid=1765>

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The Code of Conduct is intended to promote open meetings that welcome debate of public policy issues being discussed by the City Council, Redevelopment Agency Board, their Committees, and City Boards and Commissions in an atmosphere of fairness, courtesy, and respect for differing points of view.

### **1. Public Meeting Decorum:**

- a) Persons in the audience will refrain from behavior which will disrupt the public meeting. This will include making loud noises, clapping, shouting, booing, hissing or engaging in any other activity in a manner that disturbs, disrupts or impedes the orderly conduct of the meeting.
- b) Persons in the audience will refrain from creating, provoking or participating in any type of disturbance involving unwelcome physical contact.
- c) Persons in the audience will refrain from using cellular phones and/or pagers while the meeting is in session.
- d) Appropriate attire, including shoes and shirts are required in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms at all times.
- e) Persons in the audience will not place their feet on the seats in front of them.
- f) No food, drink (other than bottled water with a cap), or chewing gum will be allowed in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, except as otherwise pre-approved by City staff.
- g) All persons entering the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, including their bags, purses, briefcases and similar belongings, may be subject to search for weapons and other dangerous materials.

### **2. Signs, Objects or Symbolic Material:**

- a) Objects and symbolic materials, such as signs or banners, will be allowed in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, with the following restrictions:
  - No objects will be larger than 2 feet by 3 feet.
  - No sticks, posts, poles or other such items will be attached to the signs or other symbolic materials.
  - The items cannot create a building maintenance problem or a fire or safety hazard.
- b) Persons with objects and symbolic materials such as signs must remain seated when displaying them and must not raise the items above shoulder level, obstruct the view or passage of other attendees, or otherwise disturb the business of the meeting.
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**CITY OF SAN JOSÉ CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND COMMITTEE ROOMS (CONT'D)**

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- a) Persons wishing to speak on an agenda item or during open forum are requested to complete a speaker card and submit the card to the City Clerk or other administrative staff at the meeting.
  - b) Meeting attendees are usually given two (2) minutes to speak on any agenda item and/or during open forum; the time limit is in the discretion of the Chair of the meeting and may be limited when appropriate. Applicants and appellants in land use matters are usually given more time to speak.
  - c) Speakers should discuss topics related to City business on the agenda, unless they are speaking during open forum.
  - d) Speakers' comments should be addressed to the full body. Requests to engage the Mayor, Council Members, Board Members, Commissioners or Staff in conversation will not be honored. Abusive language is inappropriate.
  - e) Speakers will not bring to the podium any items other than a prepared written statement, writing materials, or objects that have been inspected by security staff.
  - f) If an individual wishes to submit written information, he or she may give it to the City Clerk or other administrative staff at the meeting.
  - g) Speakers and any other members of the public will not approach the dais at any time without prior consent from the Chair of the meeting.

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