



**CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

**Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.**

*South Pasadena Planning Commission Statement of Civility*

*As your appointed governing board we will treat each other, members of the public, and city employees with patience, civility and courtesy as a model of the same behavior we wish to reflect in South Pasadena for the conduct of all city business and community participation. The decisions made tonight will be for the benefit of the South Pasadena community and not for personal gain.*

**NOTICE ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & ACCESSIBILITY**

Pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, the special meetings of the Planning Commission will be conducted remotely and held by video conference. The meeting will be broadcast live on the City's Planning Commission website and can be viewed by [clicking here](#).

Please be advised that pursuant to the Executive Order, and to ensure the health and safety of the public by limiting human contact that could spread the COVID-19 virus, the Council Chambers will not be open for the meeting. Commission members will be participating remotely and will not be physically present in the Council Chambers.

The Planning Commission welcomes public input. If you would like to comment on an agenda item, members of the public may submit their comments in writing for the Planning Commission consideration, by emailing comments or questions to [PlanningComments@southpasadenaca.gov](mailto:PlanningComments@southpasadenaca.gov) or by calling (626) 403-7720 and leaving a **3-minute** voicemail message to be played during the meeting. Public comments must be received by **12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2021** to ensure adequate time to compile and post. Please provide: 1) your name; and 2) agenda item for the comments/questions. All comments/questions received will be distributed to the Commission for consideration and will also be posted on the City's website prior to the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair John Lesak

**ROLL CALL:**

Amitabh Barthakur, Commissioner, Janet Braun,  
Commissioner, Laura Dahl, Commissioner, Lisa Padilla,  
Vice-Chair and, John Lesak Chair

**COUNCIL LIAISON:**

Diana Mahmud, Mayor, Council Liaison

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Teresa L. Highsmith, City Attorney  
Joanna Hankamer, Planning & Community Dev. Director  
Kanika Kith, Planning Manager  
Malinda Lim, Associate Planner

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Majority vote of the Commission to proceed with Commission business.

**DISCLOSURE OF SITE VISITS AND EX-PARTE CONTACTS**

Disclosure by Commissioners of site visits and ex-parte contact for items on the agenda.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS**

(Time limit is three minutes per person)

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The public should be aware that the Planning Commission may not discuss details or vote on non-agenda items. Your concerns may be referred to staff or placed on a future agenda.

**PRESENTATION**

**1. Housing Accountability Act**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**2. Recommendation to Amend Provisions of SPMC Chapter 36 (Zoning) Pertaining to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Planning Commission adopt a resolution recommending that the City Council adopt the proposed ordinance amending South Pasadena Municipal Code (SPMC) Section 36.350.200 (Residential Uses – Accessory Dwelling Units Accessory Dwelling Units).

**DISCUSSION**

- 3. **Phase 2, Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) Ordinance Update: Project Introduction – Facilitating ADUs while implementing historic preservation standards.**

**Recommendation**

Receive presentation and provide feedback

**ADMINISTRATION**

- 4. **Comments from City Council Liaison**
- 5. **Comments from Planning Commissioners**
- 6. **Comments from Staff**

**ADJOURNMENT**

- 7. **Adjourn to the Regular Planning Commission meeting scheduled for March 9, 2021.**

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2/18/21  
Date

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Elaine Serrano,  
Administrative Secretary