



**CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA
PLANNING COMMISSION**

**AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2022 AT 6:30 P.M.**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1424 MISSION STREET, SOUTH PASADENA, CA 91030**

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

The South Pasadena Planning Commission Meeting will be conducted in-person from the Council Chambers, Amedee O. "Dick" Richards, Jr., located at 1424 Mission Street, South Pasadena. Pursuant to AB 361 Government Code Section 54953, subdivision (e) (3), the Planning Commission may conduct its meetings remotely and may be held via video conference.

The Meeting will be available:

- In Person Hybrid – City Council Chambers, 1424 Mission Street, South Pasadena
- Via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83530439651> **Meeting ID: 8353 043 9651**

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- Go to the Zoom website, <https://Zoom.us/join> and enter the Zoom meeting information; or
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CALL TO ORDER:	Chair	John Lesak
ROLL CALL:	Chair	John Lesak
	Vice-Chair	Laura Dahl
	Commissioner	Amitabh Barthakur
	Commissioner	Janet Braun
	Commissioner	Lisa Padilla
COUNCIL LIAISON:	Councilmember	Diana Mahmud

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 COMMENT GUIDELINES (Public Comments are limited to 3 minutes)

The Planning Commission welcomes public input. If you would like to comment on an agenda item, members of the public may participate by one of the following options:

Option 1:

Participate in-person at the City Council Chambers, 1424 Mission Street, South Pasadena.

Option 2:

Participants will be able to “raise their hand” using the Zoom icon during the meeting, and they will have their microphone un-muted during comment portions of the agenda to speak for up to 3 minutes per item.

Option 3:

Email public comment(s) to PlanningComments@southpasadenaca.gov. Public Comments received in writing will not be read aloud at the meeting, but will be part of the meeting record. Written public comments will be uploaded online for public viewing under Additional Documents. There is no word limit on emailed Public Comment(s). Please make sure to indicate:

- 1) Name (optional), and
- 2) Agenda item you are submitting public comment on, and
- 3) Submit by no later than 12:00 p.m., on the day of the Planning Commission meeting.

NOTE: Pursuant to State law, the Planning Commission may not discuss or take action on issues not on the meeting agenda, except that members of the Planning Commission or staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising public testimony rights (Government Code Section 54954.2). Staff may be asked to follow up on such items.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1. **Public Comment – General (Non-Agenda Items)**

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM

- 2. **Minutes from the Regular Meeting of March 8, 2022**

PUBLIC HEARING

- 3. **PROPOSED ZONING TEXT AMENDMENTS** – The Planning Commission will review and make a recommendation to the City Council to amend Chapter 36 (Zoning) of South Pasadena Municipal Code to adopt standards that will implement certain programs included in the 4th Draft General Plan Housing Element in order to achieve consistency with State law and remove requirements that may impose constraints on housing development. On November 9, 2022, the City Council initiated this application through a resolution of intention. Topics for amendment include emergency shelters, transitional housing, low-barrier navigation centers, density increase for mid-size projects (SB 478), allowing mixed-use housing as a permitted use in commercial zones, and a parking exemption for qualifying land uses adjacent to transit stops (AB 2097).

The proposed Code amendments are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3), which states the common sense exemption that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

Recommendation:

Recommend that the Planning Commission adopt a resolution recommending amending Chapter 36 (Zoning) of South Pasadena Municipal Code to the City Council.

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 January 10, 2023.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that I posted this notice of agenda on the bulletin board in the courtyard of City Hall at 1414 Mission Street, South Pasadena, CA 91030, and on the City's website as required by law.

12/8/2022

Date

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