

**SOUTH VALLEY AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2019, AFTER 4:30 P.M.
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POLICY FOR DESIGNATED PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

Pursuant to the Commission's general operating procedures, the Commission at times must necessarily limit the speaking times of those presenting testimony on either side of an issue that is designated as a public hearing item. In all instances, however, equal time is allowed for presentation of pros and cons of matters to be acted upon. All requests to address the Commission on public hearing items must be submitted prior to the Commission's consideration on the item. **EVERY PERSON WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION MUST COMPLETE A SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM AT THE MEETING AND SUBMIT IT TO THE COMMISSION EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT.**

Written submissions are governed by Rule 4.3 of the South Valley Area Planning Commission Rules and Operating Procedures. All submissions within 48 hours of the meeting, including the day of meeting are limited to two (2) pages plus accompanying photographs, and must include the case number and agenda item number on the first page. 12 hard copies must be submitted to the Commission Executive Assistant the day of the meeting. Electronic submissions will not be accepted within this time period. Submissions that do not comply with these rules will be stamped "**File Copy. Non-complying Submission.**" Non-complying submissions will be placed into the official case file, but they will not be delivered to or considered by the Commission, and will not be included in the official administrative record for the item at issue.

The Commission may RECONSIDER and alter its action taken on items listed herein at any time during this meeting or during the next regular meeting, in accordance with the Commission Policies and Procedures and provided that the Commission retains jurisdiction over the case. **In the case of a Commission meeting cancellation, all items shall be continued to the next regular meeting date, or beyond, as long as the continuance is within the legal time limits of the case or cases.**

Sign language, interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or other services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request no later than **seven (7) working days** prior to the meeting by calling the Commission Executive Assistant at (213) 978-1298 or by email at apcsouthvalley@lacity.org

If you challenge these agenda items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing, or in written correspondence on these matters delivered to this agency at or prior to the public hearing. If you seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section must be filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which the City's decision became final pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. There may be other time limits which also affect your ability to seek judicial review.

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Información en español acerca de esta junta puede ser obtenida llamando al (213) 978-1300

1. **DEPARTMENTAL REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS**

- Items of interest
- Advanced Calendar
- Commission Requests
- Approval of the Meeting Minutes – August 8 ,2019

2. **NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

Presentation by Neighborhood Council representatives on any neighborhood council resolution, or community impact statement filed with the City Clerk, which relates to any agenda item listed or being considered on this agenda.

3. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Commission shall provide an opportunity in open meetings for the public to address it **on non-agenda items**, for a cumulative total of up to thirty (30) minutes, on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission.

PERSONS WISHING TO SPEAK MUST SUBMIT A SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM. ALL REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION ON **NON-AGENDA ITEMS** AND ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC THAT ARE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMMISSION MUST BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

4. **RECONSIDERATIONS**

- a. **MOTIONS TO RECONSIDER** - The Commission may make a motion to reconsider a Commission Action on any agenda items from its previous meeting, consistently with the Commission Rule 8.3, provided the Commission retains jurisdiction over the matter.
- b. **MERITS OF ANY ITEM THE COMMISSION HAS VOTED TO RECONSIDER** - If a majority of the Commission has approved a motion to reconsider a Commission Action, the Commission may address the merits of the original Commission Action.

5. **[DIR-2018-5371-DRB-SPP-MSP-1A](#)**

CEQA: ENV-2018-5372-CE
Plan Area: Bel Air – Beverly Crest

Council District: 4 - Ryu
Last Day to Act: 07-15-2019
Continued from: 07-11-2019

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: 8414 Edwin Drive

PROPOSED PROJECT:

Construction of two new retaining walls, associated grading, and backfill. The Project includes the reworking of the existing entry with new stairs and entry gate door. Retaining walls are 181 feet in length and vary from 2 feet to 8 feet tall. The Project also includes a new masonry side yard fence (non-retaining) with a height of 6 feet and a length of 50 feet, 3 inches. The Project is located on an 11,291 square foot RE15-1-H-HCR zoned lot. The Project does not propose the removal of any protected trees. The Project requires 77 cubic yards of cut, 58 cubic yards of fill, 19 cubic yards of export, and no import.

APPEAL:

Appeal of the April 16, 2019 Planning Director's determination to approve, pursuant to Section 11.5.7 C.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, to approve a Project Permit Compliance Review and Design Review for the proposed Project which:

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the State CEQA Guidelines, Article 19, Section 15303, Class 3, and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption applies pursuant to the State CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2.; and
2. Approved with conditions, a Project Permit Compliance Review and Design Review for the construction of two new retaining walls, associated grading, and backfill. The project includes the reworking of the existing entry with new stairs and entry gate door. Retaining walls are 181 feet in length and vary from 2 feet to 8 feet tall. The project also includes a new masonry side yard fence (non-retaining) with a height of 6 feet and a length of 50 feet, 3 inches. The project is located in the Inner Corridor and on an 11,291 square-foot lot. The project is upslope from Edwin Drive, downslope from Mulholland Drive, and not visible from Mulholland Drive. The property is zoned RE15-1-H-HCR and is subject to the Baseline Hillside Ordinance adopted March 17, 2017. The project does not propose the removal of any protected trees. The project requires 77 cubic yards of cut, 58 cubic yards of fill, 19 cubic yards of export, and no import.

Applicant: Raphael Berry
Representative: David Rivera, TWG Architects, Inc.

Appellant: Caspar Martin
Representative: Stephen Weaver, Weaver Land Law

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The next regular meeting of the South Valley Los Angeles Area Planning Commission will be held on **Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.**

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