SAUSALITO PLANNING COMMISSION Wednesday, March 25, 2015 Approved Action Minutes¹

Call to Order

Chair Cox called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 420 Litho Street, Sausalito.

Planning Commission:

Present:

Chair Joan Cox, Vice-Chair Bill Werner, Commissioner Susan Cleveland-

Knowles, Commissioner Vicki Nichols, Commissioner Morgan Pierce.

Absent:

None.

Historic Landmarks Board:

Chair John McCoy, Board Member Ben Brown,

Board Member Aldo Mercado, Board Member Shasha Richardson

Absent:

Secretary Natascha Fraser

Staff:

Community Development Director Danny Castro

Administrative Analyst Lilly Schinsing, Assistant Planner Calvin Chan,

Contract Planner Jayni Allsep, Contract Planner Steve Flint,

Contract Planner Nancy Kaufman,

City Attorney Mary Wagner

Approval of Agenda

Vice-Chair Werner moved and Commissioner Cleveland-Knowles seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed 5-0.

Board Member Brown moved and Board Member Mercado seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed 4-0.

Public Comments On Items Not on the Agenda

Approval of Minutes

February 4, 2015

Commissioner Cleveland-Knowles moved and Commissioner Nichols seconded a motion to approve the minutes of February 4, 2015. The motion passed 5-0.

¹ A video recording of this meeting is available at: http://www.ci.sausalito.ca.us/.

Public Hearings

Declarations of Planning Commissioner Public Contacts

Commissioner Cleveland-Knowles disclosed she visited the site and spoke with a next-door neighbor regarding the 67 Marie Street project (Item 4).

Vice-Chair Werner disclosed that he worked for the same firm as the owner of 67 Marie Street for eight years between 1968-1976 (Item 4).

1. DESIGN REVIEW PERMIT/ CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AMENDMENT – 99 HECHT AVENUE (Amendment to DR/CUP 11-373).

AT&T (Applicant)
State of California (Owner)
Staff: Schinsing

DESCRIPTION: AT&T, on behalf of property owner, the State of California, is requesting approval of amendments to an existing Design Review Permit and Conditional Use Permit for replacement of existing antenna and installation of new radio equipment.

RECOMMENDATION: Continue to April 29, 2015, at the request of the applicant.

The public hearing was opened.

Community Development Director Castro provided a presentation on the project.

The public testimony period was opened.

Public Comments:

None.

The public testimony period was closed.

Commissioner Cleveland-Knowles moved and Vice-Chair Werner seconded a motion to continue the public hearing for 99 Hecht Avenue to the meeting of April 29, 2015. The motion passed 5-0.

The public hearing was closed.

2. MONSEF RESIDENCE - 60 RODEO AVENUE (DR/EA 14-103)

Mike Monsef (Applicant/Owner)

Staff: Chan

DESCRIPTION: Mike Monsef is requesting approval of a Design Review Permit to construct an approximately 2,600 square foot single-family residence at 60 Rodeo Avenue and recommendation for City Council approval of an Encroachment Agreement for the exist parking deck and steps located in the public right-of-way.

RECOMMENDATION: Continue to April 29, 2015, at the request of the applicant.

The public hearing was opened.

Assistant Planner Chan provided a presentation on the project.

The public testimony period was opened.

Public Comments:

None.

The public testimony period was closed.

Commissioner Cleveland-Knowles moved and Vice-Chair Werner seconded a motion to continue the public hearing for 60 Rodeo Avenue to the meeting of April 29, 2015. The motion passed 5-0.

The public hearing was closed.

3. HEAVENLY COUTURE - 749 BRIDEWAY (CUP/SP 14-316)

Justin Ha (Applicant/CEO) Ken Nadjibi (Owner) Staff: Chan

DESCRIPTION: Justin Ha is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit to establish a formula retail clothing store at 749 Bridgeway and approval of a Sign Permit for new business identification signage within the Downtown Historic Overlay Zoning District.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval, subject to conditions.

The public hearing was opened.

Assistant Planner Chan provided a PowerPoint presentation on the project.

HLB and Planning Commission questions for staff followed.

The public testimony period was opened.

The applicant, Justin Ha, provided a presentation on the project.

Planning Commission questions for the applicant followed.

Public Comments:

Tom Gangitano Wayne Kaleck Ken Nadjibi

 The applicant made rebuttal comments.

The public testimony period was closed.

Planning Commission questions to staff followed.

Planning Commission comments followed.

Commissioner Cleveland-Knowles moved and Vice-Chair Werner seconded a motion to approve a Conditional Use Permit for 749 Bridgeway. The motion passed 3-2 (No - Cox, Nichols).

HLB and Planning Commission comments followed.

Board Member Brown moved and Board Member Richardson seconded a motion to approve Option B for the signage for 749 Bridgeway, subject to the following additional Condition of Approval:

• The 1887 sign shall be left intact and in place.

The motion passed 4-0.

Commissioner Pierce moved and Commissioner Nichols seconded a motion to direct staff to return with a Resolution of Denial of the application for a Sign Permit for 749 Bridgeway, based on the inability to make Finding 4.

Planning Commission comments followed.

Chair Cox requested the motion be amended to add Finding 8.

The maker of the motion accepted the amendment to the motion.

The maker of the motion amended the motion to continue the public hearing for a Sign Permit for 749 Bridgeway to the meeting of April 29, 2015.

The seconder of the motion accepted the amended motion.

The motion passed 5-0.

The public hearing was closed.

HLB Board Member Brown moved and Board Member Richardson seconded a motion to adjourn the joint meeting of the HLB and Planning Commission.

The motion passed 4-0.

The public hearing was closed.

4. BYLES RESIDENCE - 67 MARIE STREET (DR/ADU/CUP/EA 14-240)

Jennifer Weiss Architecture (Applicant/Architect)
Carrie Byles (Owner)

Staff: Allsep

DESCRIPTION: Jennifer Weiss Architecture, on behalf of owner Carrie Byles, is requesting approval of a Design Review Permit to allow a two-story addition on the north side of the existing single-family home, an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Permit for ground level ADU, a Conditional Use Permit to allow exceptions to the ADU regulations, and recommendation for City Council approval of an Encroachment Agreement to allow a portion of the off-street tandem parking space for the ADU to be located within the existing driveway at 67 Marie Street, a portion of which is in the public right-of-way.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval, subject to conditions.

The public hearing was opened.

Contract Planner Allsep provided a PowerPoint presentation on the project.

Planning Commission questions for staff followed.

The public testimony period was opened.

The owner, Carrie Byles, and architect, Jennifer Weiss, provided a presentation.

Planning Commission questions for the applicant followed.

Planning Commission questions for staff followed.

Public Comments:

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Ray Gergus

Planning Commission questions for Mr. Gergus followed.

Public Comments (continued):

John Christiansen

Andy Draper

Wendy Richards

The public testimony period was closed.

Planning Commission comments followed.

Vice-Chair Werner moved and Commissioner Cleveland-Knowles seconded a motion to approve a Design Review Permit, Accessory Dwelling Unit Permit, and a Conditional Use Permit; and recommendation for City Council approval of an Encroachment Agreement with designation of the alternate plan for 67 Marie Street.

The motion passed 5-0.

The public hearing was closed.

New Business

None.

Old Business

None.

Communications

- Staff: Community Development Director Castro reviewed items on the Planning Commission's upcoming meeting agenda.
- Commission: Commissioner Nichols requested staff supply a tally of ADU applications. Chair Cox requested that Planning Commissioners approach staff with questions about code violations rather than speak directly to property owners.

Adjournment

Vice-Chair Werner moved and Commissioner Nichols seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passed 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Submitted by Danny Castro

Community Development Director

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Approved by Joan Cox

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