SAUSALITO PLANNING COMMISSION Thursday, December 15, 2016 Approved Action Minutes¹

Call to Order

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

Present:

Chair Susan Cleveland-Knowles, Vice-Chair Morgan Pierce,

Commissioner Janelle Kellman, Commissioner Vicki Nichols,

Commissioner Bill Werner

Absent:

None.

Staff:

Community Development Director Danny Castro

Project Planner Jayni Allsep, Project Planner Milan Nevajda, Associate Planner Calvin Chan, City Attorney Mary Wagner

Approval of Agenda

Chair Cleveland-Knowles moved and Vice Chair Pierce seconded a motion to hear New Business: Approval of the 2017 Planning Commission Meeting Calendar before Public Hearings, to hear Item 4 after Item 1, and to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed 5-0.

Public Comments On Items Not on the Agenda None.

Approval of Minutes

November 16, 2016

Commissioner Pierce moved and Commissioner Nichols seconded a motion to approve the draft minutes, as amended. The motion passed 5-0.

New Business

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2017 Planning Commission Meeting Calendar

Staff: Danny Castro

Community Development Director Castro provided a presentation.

Planning Commission questions for staff followed.

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

Commissioner Werner moved and Vice Chair Pierce seconded a motion to cancel the January 4, 2017 Planning Commission meeting and reschedule the meeting for January 18, 2017. The motion passed 5-0.

Declarations of Planning Commissioner Public Contacts

Commissioner Nichols disclosed that with respect to Item 4 she met with the adjacent neighbors and viewed the story poles for the previous project.

Commissioner Kellman disclosed that with respect to Item 5 she met with the applicant.

Vice Chair Pierce disclosed that with respect to Items 1-5 he visited the project sites but spoke to no one.

Commissioner Werner disclosed that with respect to Items 1-5 he visited the project sites but spoke to no one. With respect to Item 4 he had previously spoken with the Van Meters.

Public Hearings

1. HOLUB RESIDENCE | 446/448 SAUSALITO BLVD. & 77 CRESCENT AVE. DR-CCP-PM-EA-TRP 15-234 | CONTINUED ITEM FROM NOVEMBER 16, 2016

Staff: Calvin Chan

DESCRIPTION: McCoy Architecture, Inc., on behalf of property owner David Holub, requests approval of the following items concerning a single parcel located at 446/448 Sausalito Boulevard and 77 Crescent Avenue:

- Design Review Permit subject to Heightened Design Review, for substantial demolition and remodel of the existing two-unit residential dwelling (446/448 Sausalito Blvd.) and construction of a new single-family residential dwelling (77 Crescent Avenue);
- Tree Removal Permit for the removal of three protected trees and six heritage trees;
- Parcel Map and Condominium Conversion Permit to convert the property into a three-unit condominium covenant; and
- Encroachment Agreement for improvements in the public right-of-way fronting 446/448 Sausalito Boulevard and 77 Crescent Avenue: an existing parking deck, parallel public parking space, unit access stairs, landscaping, driveway, and retaining walls.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Resolution to deny project.

The public hearing was opened.

Associate Planner Chan provided a presentation.

Commissioner Kellman indicated that she would recuse herself from participating in the public hearing for 446/448 Sausalito Boulevard and 77 Crescent Avenue.

The public testimony period was opened.

The applicant/owner, David Holub, provided a presentation.

Planning Commission comments followed.

Planning Commission questions to staff followed.

Public Comments:

None.

The public testimony period was closed.

Commissioner Werner moved and Vice Chair Pierce seconded a motion to approve Resolution of Denial 2016-23. The motion passed 3-1 (Nichols–No. Kellman–Abstain).

The public hearing was closed.

4. WECHSLER RESIDENCE | 1 CLOUD VIEW CIRCLE | NP 16-099 CONTINUED ITEM FROM NOVEMBER 16, 2016

Staff: Milan Nevajda

DESCRIPTION: Michael Rex of Michael Rex Architects, on behalf of the property owners Jennifer and Michael Wechsler, is requesting a Nonconformity Permit to construct additions totaling 196 square feet to the single-family residence at 1 Cloud View Circle (APN 065-153-07). The project involves shifting the location of nonconforming lot coverage on the property with no net increase to lot coverage. The project entails bringing the nonconforming amount of impervious surface area on the lot into conformity with current development standards, and reducing the extent of a structural projection into the southern side yard of the property.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval, subject to conditions.

The public hearing was opened.

Project Planner Nevajda provided a PowerPoint presentation.

The public testimony period was opened.

The applicant, Michael Rex of Michael Rex Architects, provided a presentation.

Public Comments

Peter Van Meter

 The public testimony period was closed.

Planning Commission comments followed.

Commissioner Werner moved and Commissioner Nichols seconded a motion to approve a Nonconformity Permit for 1 Cloud View Circle. The motion passed 5-0.

The public hearing was closed.

2. 676-686 BRIDGEWAY | DR-CUP-SP-EA 16-145 CONTINUED ITEM FROM NOVEMBER 16, 2016

Staff: Calvin Chan

DESCRIPTION: McCoy Architecture, on behalf of Only in Sausalito, LLC, requests approval of the following items concerning the structure located at 676-686 Bridgeway within the Downtown Historic District:

- Design Review Permit for exterior modifications to a structure located within the Downtown Historic District;
- Conditional Use Permit for establishment of an apparel store and a candy store/desserts shop categorized as "visitor serving stores";
- Sign Permit for business identification signage; and
- Encroachment Agreement for business identification blade signage, three upper-level bay windows, and entry awning.

RECOMMENDATION: Continue to a date certain.

The public hearing was opened.

The public testimony period was opened.

The applicant did not make comments.

Public Comments:

None.

The public testimony period was closed.

Planning Commission comments followed.

Commissioner Werner moved and Vice Chair Pierce seconded a motion to continue the public hearing for 676-686 Bridgeway to the January 18, 2017 joint Planning Commission/Historic Landmarks Board meeting.

The motion passed 4-0 (Kellman–Abstain)

The public hearing was closed.

 3. BRIDGEWAY COMMONS RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUMS | 1755 BRIDGEWAY (INCLUDES PROPERTY/BUILDINGS WITH ADDRESSES: 1745/1751/1757 BRIDGEWAY AND 160 FILBERT AVENUE) | DR-TM-TRP-EA 14-021

Staff: Jayni Allsep

DESCRIPTION: The project proposes redevelopment of two parcels zoned R-3 (Multiple Family Residential) with 16 residential condominiums. All existing buildings and structures on the property would be demolished and replaced with two multi-level buildings containing the 16 condominium units (one three-bedroom and 15 two-bedroom units) and 32 on-site parking spaces contained within a parking garage. Vehicular access to the development would be provided via a 24-foot wide driveway on Bridgeway that would provide right-turn ingress and right-turn egress to and from the parking area. Driveway, sidewalk and landscaping improvements are proposed within the public right-of-way along Bridgeway. Landscaping and public sidewalk improvements are also proposed along Filbert Avenue; however, access is proposed from Bridgeway only. The project requires approval of the following discretionary actions by the City:

- Environmental Review: The Bridgeway Commons Condominiums Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND), prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act. This document analyzes the potential impacts caused by the project and identifies various measures to mitigate those impacts.
- Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map: To create a condominium map for 16 residential condominiums.
- Design Review Permit: For demolition of existing residential buildings, and construction of two new buildings and other improvements for new condominium development.
- Tree Removal Permit: To permit the removal of "protected" trees on the property, as defined in the City's Tree and View Ordinance.
- Encroachment Agreement: For private improvements with the public right-of-way.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive Staff presentation of Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) and receive public comments.

The public hearing was opened.

Project Planner Allsep provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Planning Commission questions to staff followed.

The public testimony period was opened.

The applicant/architect, Miles Berger, provided a presentation.

Planning Commission questions to the applicant followed.

Public Comments:

John Fraser

Diane Johnson

Francois Varnay

Tristan Yates

Natalie Yates

Linda Hynes

Mark Madison

Pricilla McKenny

Andrea Roy

Ed Ayres

The public testimony period was closed.

Planning Commission comments followed.

Planning Commission questions to staff followed.

The public hearing was closed.

5. MIXED-USE REMODEL | 18-22 VARDA LANDING | NP16-052 Staff: Milan Nevajda

DESCRIPTION: Daniel Ruark Architecture, on behalf of property owner Teresa Chaffee, is requesting approval of a Nonconformity Permit to complete interior and exterior improvements involving structural alterations to a nonconforming, three-story, mixed-use building at 18-22 Varda Landing Road (APN 065-153-07). The property is located within the Industrial Zoning District in the Marinship Specific Plan area and contains legal, non-conforming residential uses. The improvements include interior remodeling, exterior façade material changes, upgrading and installing new windows and doors affecting all elevations, and expanding rooftop decks on the south elevation. The mixed-use structure contains a commercial ground-floor use with two residential units on upper stories; land-based residential uses are nonconforming uses within the Industrial Zoning District.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval, subject to conditions.

The public hearing was opened.

Project planner Nevajda provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Planning Commission questions to staff followed.

The public testimony period was opened.

The applicant, Timothy Baker, provided a presentation.

Planning Commission questions to the applicant followed.

Planning Commission questions to staff followed.

Public Comments:

None.

The public testimony period was closed.

Planning Commission comments followed.

Planning Commission questions to staff followed.

Commissioner Werner moved and Vice Chair Pierce seconded a motion to approve a Nonconformity Permit for 18-22 Varda Landing. The motion passed 4-1 (No—Nichols).

The public hearing was closed.

Old Business

None.

Communications

- Commission: Chair Cleveland-Knowles encouraged the Commissioners to provide questions of code interpretation or possible inconsistencies to staff ahead of the hearings when possible.
- Staff: None.

Adjournment

Commissioner Werner moved and Vice Chair Pierce seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Dany Castro Submitted by

Danny Castro

Community Development Director

Approved by

Susan Cleveland-Knowles

Chair