

**APPROVED MINUTES
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 13, 2021
SARATOGA PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING**

Chair Kausar called the virtual Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. via teleconferencing through Zoom. Prior to Roll Call, the Chair and Community Development Director explained that the Planning Commission meeting was conducted pursuant to Government Code section 54953(e) of the Ralph M. Brown Act allowing teleconferencing during a proclaimed state of emergency when state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing. The Planning Commission met all the applicable notice requirements and the public is welcome to participate in this meeting. Information on how the public can observe the meeting and provide public comment was also shared. Additionally, the Chair explained that votes would be taken through roll call.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chair Anjali Kausar, Vice Chair Herman Zheng, Commissioners Sunil Ahuja, Clinton Brownley, Jojo Choi and Razi Mohiuddin

ABSENT: None

ALSO Debbie Pedro, Community Development Director

PRESENT: Christopher Riordan, Senior Planner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action Minutes from the Regular Planning Commission Meeting of September 8, 2021.

Recommended Action:

Approve Minutes of Regular Planning Commission Meeting of September 8, 2021.

AHUJA/MOHIUDDIN MOVED TO **APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 MEETING WITH AMENDMENT.** MOTION PASSED. AYES: AHUJA, BROWNLEY, CHOI, KAUSAR, MOHIUDDIN, ZHENG. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS: NONE

REPORT ON APPEAL RIGHTS

1. NEW BUSINESS - NONE

2. PUBLIC HEARING

2.1 Application PDR20-0013/FER21-0001; 14391 Springer Avenue (503-27-077); Michelle Miner (Applicant) (Continued from September 8, 2021) – The applicant is requesting Design Review approval for an addition to an existing 1,943 square foot one-story single-family residence which will include a 1,051 square foot first floor addition and a 772 square feet second story addition. The second story addition will include an accessory dwelling unit. The project also includes a request for a fence exception for an existing approximately six feet tall redwood fence located within an exterior side setback area where fence heights are limited to a height of no more than three feet. No trees are proposed for removal. The site is zoned R-1-10,000 with a General Plan Designation of Medium Density

Residential (M-10). Staff Contact: Christopher Riordan (408) 868-1235 or criordan@saratoga.ca.us.

Recommended Action:

Adopt Resolution No. 21-016 approving the project subject to conditions of approval included in Attachment 1.

MOHIUDDIN/AHUJA MOVED TO **APPROVE RESOLUTION 21-016**. MOTION PASSED. AYES: AHUJA, BROWNLEY, CHOI, KAUSAR, MOHIUDDIN, ZHENG. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

2.2 Application PDR21-0011; 15210 Bohlman Road (517-14-031); Monty Smith (Applicant) – The applicant is requesting Design Review approval for a 111 square foot first story addition and a 651 square feet second story addition to an existing 4,288 square foot single story residence. No trees are proposed for removal. The site is zoned HR (Hillside Residential) with a General Plan Designation of RHC (Residential Hillside Conservation). Staff Contact: Christopher Riordan (408) 868-1235 or criordan@saratoga.ca.us.

Recommended Action:

Adopt Resolution No. 21-014 approving the project subject to conditions of approval included in Attachment 1.

AHUJA/MOHIUDDIN MOVED TO **APPROVE RESOLUTION 21-014**. MOTION PASSED. AYES: AHUJA, BROWNLEY, CHOI, KAUSAR, MOHIUDDIN, ZHENG. NOES: ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

3. DIRECTOR ITEMS

Director Pedro reminded the Commission about the October 25th Joint Commissions/City Council Study Session and the October 27th Housing Element Community Meeting.

4. COMMISSION ITEMS

Commissioner Choi talked about the benefits of explaining to the public how commissioners arrive at their decisions. Commissioner Ahuja concurred. Commissioner Mohiuddin also concurred but noted that it should be brief.

5. ADJOURNMENT

MOHIUDDIN/KAUSAR Moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted:

Frances Reed, Administrative Analyst

City of Saratoga