



Environmental and Development Services
Department

MINUTES

OF THE Design Review Board

Wednesday, January 2, 2013

7:30 PM

El Cerrito City Hall
Council Chambers
10890 San Pablo Avenue

This Meeting Place Is Wheelchair Accessible

Roll Call: Glenn Wood, Maggie Leighly, Christophe Laverne and Cassandra Adams.

Report from Council Member Jan Bridges: The MLK City festivities are currently being planned; a city Strategic Plan workshop is planned for Saturday, January 26, 2013, lastly, the recycling fees slightly rose on December 18.

1. Comments from the Public None were given.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2012: Leighly, 2nd Laverne. Vote 4-0-0-1.

August 1, 2012 and October 3, 2012 were continued to the next meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes of December 5, 2012: Laverne, 2nd: Leighly. Vote: 4-0-0-1

3. Board Member Communication/Conflict of Interest Disclosure

None were reported.

4. Public Hearing – Zheng Design Review for Lot and Building Remodel

Application: PL12-0080

Applicant: Xiao Yi Zheng

Location: 11858 San Pablo Avenue

APN: 501-252-046

Zoning: CC (Community Commercial)

General Plan: Commercial/Mixed Use

Request: Design Review Board consideration of a Design Review application to remodel an existing building and site located at 11858 San Pablo Avenue in the CC (Community Commercial) zoning district. .

CEQA: Categorically Exempt under CEQA Section 15301, Class 1 Existing Facilities

Senior Planner, Noel Ibalio, presented the case and answered questions from the public. The applicant presented the project and also answered questions from the public.

Steve Kahn – 11820 San Pablo Avenue, stated that he was there to make sure that the recommendations from the Planning Commission and City Council were carried out by the Applicant.

Colleen Sympon – 11820 San Pablo Avenue cited problems with clients and pedestrians traversing over the landscaping and damaging them. She was in favor of the new fence.

Motion to approve the proposed design review for the improvements to the site and building:
Adams, 2nd: Leighly.

The Board suggested that the applicant return to the Board as an informational item with a Materials sample board showing colored elevations, colored chips, sample materials, sample sign material, and glass samples. Also, the plans are to be changed to show the following:

- the main door shall be removed,
- wheel stops shall be installed on the side of the new fence,
- the canopy shall be painted,
- landscaping shall be compatible and shall be native drought tolerant species, and
- show railings along street side ADA access.

5. Staff Communications Staff reported that no items were scheduled for February.

6. Adjournment 8:45 p.m.