

Environmental and Development Services Department

MINUTES

OF THE Design Review Board

Wednesday, July 13, 2011
7:30 PM
El Cerrito City Hall
Council Chambers
10890 San Pablo Avenue

Roll Call: Glenn Wood, Maggie Leighly, and Gary Hill. Radziah Loh and Cassandra Adams had an excused absence.

1. Council / Staff Liaison Report

Council liaison Greg Lyman reported the following: 1) at the May meeting, the Council approved the Landscape and Lighting District contract 2) CRBAN Greening Grant was approved.

2. Comments from the Public

None were reported.

3. Approval of Minutes

Approve the minutes of the May 4, 2011 meeting. Gary Hill abstained from the vote. Glen Wood and Maggie Leighly did not constitute a quorum, therefore, the May 4, 2011 minutes were postponed to the August 3, 2011 meeting.

4. Board Member Communication/Conflict of Interest Disclosure

None were reported

5. Staff Communications

Acting chair Glenn Wood requested that Staff Communications be heard prior to Public Hearing. The Board consented with the request.

Staff reported that an application was received for an Administrative Design Review to add awnings, signs, and movie poster cabinets to the Cerrito Theater façade. Staff asked if the Board would prefer to review this proposal under Design Review Board consideration. The Board confirmed with staff that the project should be reviewed by the Board.

6. Public Hearing – AT&T Mobility Store

Application: PL11-0080

Applicant: David Keller, Kamus & Keller

Location: 4010 El Cerrito Plaza

APN: 504-160-040

Zoning: TOM (Transit Oriented Mixed Use)

General Plan: Commercial/Mixed Use

Request: Design Review Board consideration of an amendment to the conditions of

approval of Resolution DRB01-19 to allow a modification to the exterior

elevations of a tenant space at El Cerrito Plaza by blocking the windows with

display cases.

CEQA: Exempt, Section 15301, Class 1 – Existing Facilities

Senior Planner, Sean Moss, present the case and answered questions from the Design Review Board members. The Board expressed concerns regarding the window coverage and added a condition of approval.

The Board added a condition that the Planning Division staff shall approve the project plans consistent with the Design Review Board's comments, regarding maximum percentages of window blockage, prior to issuance of a building permit.

Motion to approve the proposed project and the conditions of approval: Wood, 2nd: Hill. Vote 3-0-0-2.

7. Adjournment: 9:05 p.m.

