MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
February 2, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.
The meeting was held via teleconference.

7:30 p.m. CONVENE REGULAR MEETING

1. ROLL CALL – Chair Wenlin Li; Vice-Chair John Thompson; Members Ben Chuaqui, and Gyan Singh. Boardmember Andrea Lucas joined the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

2. COUNCIL/STAFF LIAISON ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS
Councilmember Tessa Rudnick updated the Board about the upcoming City Council goal-setting meeting.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC
No speakers addressed the Board.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
Moved/Second: Boardmember Chuaqui/Singh. Action: Passed a motion to adopt the January 5, 2022 meeting minutes.
Ayes: Chuaqui, Singh, Thompson.
Noes: None.
Abstain: Li.
Absent: Lucas.

5. COMMUNICATION/CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE
Nothing was reported.

6. PUBLIC HEARING – 1755 EASTSHORE BOULEVARD TIER III DESIGN REVIEW
This item was continued from the January 5, 2022 meeting.
Application: PL21-0103
Applicant: AMG & Associates, LLC
Location: 1755 Eastshore Boulevard
APN: 513-371-002
Zoning: Transit Oriented Higher Intensity Mixed Use (TOHIMU)
General Plan: Transit Oriented Higher Intensity Mixed Use (TOHIMU)
Request: Design Review Board consideration of Tier III Design Review for changes to the exterior elevations (including signage) and landscaping of an existing building related to its conversion to a Personal Storage business. Proposed signage includes a request for an exception, pursuant to San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan Sec. 2.05.09.02.04, to exceed the maximum allowed height by one foot nine inches.
CEQA: This project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines, Class 1: Existing Facilities.

Consulting Planner Kevin Colin presented the staff report and answered questions from the Board.

Nick Mitchell and Ariel Valli, representing the applicant team, presented the project and answered questions from the Board.

The public hearing was opened.

The following speakers addressed the Board:
Howdy Goudey, El Cerrito

The public hearing was closed.

Moved/Second: Boardmember Chuaqui/Thompson. Action: Passed a motion to approve application PL21-0103.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: None.

7. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS
Planning Manager Sean Moss updated the Board on Planning Division staffing, the Housing Element update, the San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan update, and the Community Development Director’s recent presentation to the City Council.

8. ADJOURNMENT
8:41 p.m.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular Design Review Board meeting of February 2, 2022 as approved by the Design Review Board.

Wenlin Li, Chair

Sean Moss, Staff Liaison