



SUBJECT: Actions of the City Council

January 21, 2014

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2086 amending Title 18 of the Pleasanton Municipal regarding Personal Wireless Service Facilities

Council waived the second reading and adopted Ordinance No. 2086.

P13-2446, P13-2447, and P13-2448, City of Pleasanton

Application for amendments to the General Plan, Downtown Specific Plan, and Downtown Design Guidelines relating to historic preservation and residential design within the Downtown Specific Plan Area; and amendments to the Pleasanton Municipal Code relating to story pole requirements and demolition by neglect within the Downtown Specific Plan Area.

Action recommended: Accept the Pleasanton Downtown Historic Context Statement and approve the amendments to the Downtown Specific Plan, the Downtown Design Guidelines, the General Plan, and the Pleasanton Municipal Code.

Action taken:

1. Accepted the Pleasanton Downtown Historic Context Statement (Vote: 5-0)
2. Amended the Downtown Specific Plan, the Downtown Design Guidelines relating to historic preservation and residential design, the General Plan, and the Pleasanton Municipal Code relating to story pole requirements and demolition by neglect for single-family homes (Vote: 5-0):
 - a. Modified existing criteria that are used for determining if a residential structure is considered a historic resource and protected from demolition:
Current – At least 50 years old and Determined to be eligible for the CA Register.
New – Built before 1942 and determined to be eligible for the CA Register using the Pleasanton Downtown Historic Context Statement as a resource document. The 1942 date would be reviewed every 10 years to determine if a change is warranted. (Vote: 5-0)
 - b. Adopted a demolition definition for residential structures. (Vote: 4-1; Pentin voted No)
 - c. Eliminated an existing preservation policy prohibiting demolition of any primary structure in the Ray St./Spring St. Neighborhood. (Vote: 5-0)

- d. Changed an existing policy to require new homes to utilize or be based on one of the architectural styles found Downtown dating before 1942 such as Victorian, Craftsman, Mission Revival, etc. (Vote: 5-0)
- e. Accepted new mass and bulk compatibility language to be used for information purposes only and retained the existing general policy language regarding compatibility. (Vote: 5-0)
- f. Changed an existing policy and guideline to require detached garages be utilized and placed at the rear of the site when the lot width exceeds 60 ft. (Vote: 4-1; Narum voted No)
- g. Eliminated infeasible incentive measures currently included in the Specific Plan such as establishing a National Register Historic District and encouraging participation in the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Certification program. (Vote: 5-0)
- h. Added Downtown Design Guidelines to:
 - 1) Discourage metal roofs, but allow metal shingles with a dull finish and muted color that resemble shake or tile. (Vote: 4-1; Pentin voted No)
 - 2) Discourage the replacement of wooden windows, but allow replacement with other materials if they match the original windows regarding operation, profile, height, width, and glazing pattern. (Vote: 5-0)
- i. Deleted two General Plan sections indicating that the City will adopt a historic preservation ordinance. (Vote: 5-0)
- j. Adopted Municipal Code Amendments to:
 - 1) allow the City to require story poles for a new house or two-story addition when determined to be necessary. (Vote: 5-0)
 - 2) prevent demolition by neglect for single-family homes. (Vote: 5-0)
- k. Authorized staff to pursue a contract with a qualified consultant to complete a comprehensive resource survey of the older residential structures Downtown. (Vote: 5-0)
- l. Did not want future discussion of establishing a Mills Act Program. (Vote: 3-2; Cook-Kallio and Brown voted No)
- m. Allowed future Council discussion of expanding design review authority to the first floor (i.e., 10 ft. or below in height) of single-family homes in the Downtown. (Vote: 3-2, Thorne and Narum voted No)

February 4, 2014

Actions of the Zoning Administrator and Planning Commission

Council accepted the report.

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2088 regarding amendments to the Pleasanton Municipal Code relating to story pole requirements and demolition by neglect within the Downtown Specific Plan Area

Council waived the second reading and adopted Ordinance No. 2088.

P13-2458, City of Pleasanton

Application to amend Chapter 18.88 (Off-Site Parking Facilities) of the Pleasanton Municipal Code to modify parking requirements in exchange for fulfilling objectives of the Downtown Specific Plan and consideration of the Negative Declaration prepared for the project.

Action recommended: Approve the Negative Declaration and approve the amendments to the Pleasanton Municipal Code.

Action taken: Approved the Negative Declaration and introduced an ordinance approving the amendments to the Pleasanton Municipal Code.

Vote: 5-0.

Other Actions:

The Council also approved a Professional Services Agreement with PMC for services in association with the update of the Housing Element of the General Plan, and an amendment to the contract with Gates and Associates for additional services related to the preparation of the East Pleasanton Specific Plan.