



**MONTE SERENO SITE AND ARCHITECTURE COMMISSION  
SEPTEMBER 3, 2008  
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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

At 7:03 p.m. the meeting was called to order.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Allen, Malloy, Mastroplo and Chairperson Anstandig

Absent: None

**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATION**

None

**APPROVE MINUTES OF AUGUST 6, 2008 MEETING**

Commissioner Allen moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Malloy and the motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- **14980 Karl Avenue** **SS-08-39** **Graham**

The applicant requests a Site Development Permit to modify a garage roof line consisting of decorative false dormers.

Gary Kohlsaas, project architect, provided information on the project.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:03 p.m. Since there was no one wishing to speak, the Public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Malloy moved to approve the application. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Allen and the motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

• **15400 Via Palomino**                      **SS-08-40**                      **Taormina/Barcos**

The applicant requests a Site Development to construct an interior remodel and add 333 sq. ft. to an existing single story residence. The applicant proposes to remove 1 tree.

Greg Benton, project architect, provided information on the project and answered questions from the Commission.

At 7:08 p.m., the Public Hearing was opened. Since there was no one wishing to speak, the Public Hearing was closed.

Commissioner Allen moved to approve the application subject to the following conditions:

- The applicant shall submit a Landscape Plan, subject to City approval, prior to issuance of Building Permit.
- The approved Landscape Plan shall be planted prior to issuance of final approval of the Building Permit.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mastropolo and the motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

• **15321 Robin Anne Lane**                      **SS-08-38**                      **Allende**

The applicant requests a Site Development Permit to construct a new two story residence of approximately 5,055 sq. ft. The applicant proposes to remove 5 trees.

Rick Hartman, applicant, provided a description of the project, outlined changes made to the project from since the time of a previous application on the same property and answered questions from the Commission.

The Public Hearing was opened. Since there was no one wishing to speak, the Public hearing was closed.

The Commission briefly discussed the design and the minimization of the grading. The Commission commended the applicant on the modifications that had been made to make the design more compatible with the character of the neighborhood.

Commissioner Allen moved to approve the application subject to the following conditions:

- The applicant shall submit a Landscape Plan, subject to City approval, prior to issuance of Building Permit.

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- The approved Landscape Plan shall be planted prior to issuance of final approval of the Building Permit.

Commissioner Mastropolo seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

- **16145 Greenwood Road** **SS-07-36B** **Millerbis**

The applicant requests a modification to an existing Site Development Permit to allow for a remodel and addition of 544 sq. ft. to an existing two story single family residence. The modifications consist of changes to the proposed roof lines and elevations. This application was continued from the August 6, 2008 meeting of the Site and Architecture Commission.

The applicant provided information on the application and answered questions from the Commission.

City Manager Loventhal answered procedural questions from the Commissioners.

Chairperson Anstandig noted the commission's receipt of a letter date August 26, 2008 from Mr. and Mrs. Mawla.

Commissioners Allen, Malloy and Mastropolo disclosed that they had each spoken with the Mawla's regarding their concerns relative to the subject project.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:23 p.m.

Nathra Mawla, resident, expressed concern with height of the structures and the impact to the views from her property.

Since there was no one wishing to speak, the Public Hearing was closed.

Commissioner Malloy spoke with regard to Mrs. Mawlas concern with the height of the previously approved structures and clarified that the portion of the structure that Mrs. Mawla spoke about is not a part of the application that is before the commission and therefore the Commission can not take action on that particular matter.

City Manager Loventhal confirmed the accuracy of Commissioner Malloy's statement.

Commissioner Malloy urged the applicant and the neighbor to meet and try to work toward mitigation of the voiced concern.

Following brief discussion, Commissioner Allen moved to approve the application. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Malloy and the motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

## **STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Discuss setting a work session to review the revised residential Design Guidelines**

City Manager Loventhal explained that the Revised Residential Design Guidelines would be distributed to the Commission within the next couple of days and he requested that the Commission review the new guidelines and be ready to discuss them at a worksession. He inquired as to a date and time to schedule the worksession.

There was consensus to hold the worksession at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, October 1, 2008.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:36 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to a worksession at 5:45 p.m. Wednesday, October 1, 2008 to be held in the City Council Chambers located at 18041 Saratoga-Los Gatos Road, Monte Sereno, and California.

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Brian Loventhal, City Manager/City Planner

ATTEST:

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Andrea M. Chelemengos, City Clerk