



# CITY OF MORRO BAY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Veteran's Memorial Building  
Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m.

209 Surf Street, Morro Bay  
Monday, May 15, 2006

Chairperson Sarah McCandliss  
Vice-Chairperson Bill Woodson      Commissioner Nancy Johnson  
Commissioner Robert Tefft      Commissioner Gary Ream  
Mike Prater, Secretary

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

**IV. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

**V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

**VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

A. [Approval of minutes from hearing held on May 1, 2006](#)

**VII. PRESENTATIONS**

Informational presentations are made to the Commission by individuals, groups or organizations, which are of a civic nature and relate to public planning issues that warrant a longer time than Oral Communications will provide. Based on the presentation received, any Planning Commissioner may declare the matter as a future agenda item in accordance with the General Rules and Procedures. Presentations should normally be limited to 15-20 minutes.

**VIII. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:**

Members of the audience wishing to address the Commission on matters other than scheduled hearing items may do so when recognized by the Chairman, by standing and stating their name and address. Comments should be limited to three minutes.

**IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**X. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

A. [Site Location:](#) 590 Marina in the R-2 District. Applicant: Tom Kowalski. The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit and Coastal Development Permit to allow for the demolition of an existing 344 square foot one-car garage, construction of a two-car garage and a 1,550 square foot addition to an existing nonconforming structure. This site is located outside the Coastal Appeals Jurisdiction. (Recommended CEQA Determination: Categorical Exemption, 15301, Class 1 and 15303, Class 3).  
[Staff Recommendation:](#) Conditionally approve the project.  
[Staff Contact:](#) Rachel Grossman, Assistant Planner, 772-6261.

B. [Site Location:](#) 460 Bonita Street in the R-1/S.2 District. Applicant: Mike Pond, Fire Chief. The applicant is requesting a side yard setback reduction from 5' to approximately 1'-9" to allow for the demolition of an existing apparatus bay and construction of an adequately-sized replacement apparatus, appurtenant drainage and related improvements, with retention of the existing

administrative/dormitory building for upgrade improvements to Fire Station 54. This site is located outside the Coastal Appeals Jurisdiction. (Recommended CEQA Determination: Categorical Exemption, Class 3 and Class 1).

Staff Recommendation: Conditionally approve the project.

Staff Contact: Mike Prater, Senior Planner, 772-6261.

- C. Site Location: 555 Main Street in the C-1/R-4 District. Applicant: Mike Coss requests an amendment to the permit for the mixed-use portion of the project. The applicant wishes to exercise an additional concession allowed under Gov't Code 65915 (commonly referred to as S.B. 1818). This concession would alter the mix of commercial to residential uses to reduce the amount of commercial space to 2,190 sqft from the approved amount of 3,113 sqft while increasing the number of residential units from the approved 14 units to 16 units, an increase of two one-bedroom units. This site is located outside the Coastal Appeals Jurisdiction.

Staff Recommendation: Conditionally Approve the Project.

Staff Contact: Mike Prater, Senior Planner, 772-6261.

- D. Site Location: 210 Atascadero in the C-VS (PD) District. Applicant: Cathy Novak. The applicant is requesting a Lot Line Adjustment, Conditional Use Permit, and Coastal Development Permit to consolidate four legal lots into two new parcels and subsequently construct a 19 unit Recreational Vehicle Park. This site is located within the Coastal Appeals Jurisdiction. (Recommended CEQA Determination: Mitigated Negative Declaration).

Staff Recommendation: Conditionally approve the project.

Staff Contact: Rachel Grossman, Assistant Planner, 772-6261.

- E. Subdivision Ordinance Update: The Planning Commission will continue its public hearing on the Subdivision Ordinance Update. The topics will include continued review of Chapters 10, 11, & 12 Compact In-Fill Developments, Conservation Subdivisions, and Condominiums. (These three types are currently classified under Community Housing Project regulations Title 17) (Recommended CEQA Determination: Negative Declaration).

Staff Recommendation: Review the final Chapters 10, 11, & 12 of the Subdivision Ordinance.

Staff Contact: Mike Prater, Senior Planner, 772-6261

**XI. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Current Planning Processing List

Projects submitted for Administrative Approval (not single-family residential)

- 1. None

**XII. NEW BUSINESS**

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourn to the next regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting at the Veterans Hall, 209 Surf Street, on Monday, June 5, 2006, at 6:00 p.m.

**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING PROCEDURES**

Planning Commission meetings are conducted under the authority of the Chair who may modify the procedures outlined below. The chair will announce each item. Thereafter, the hearing will be conducted as follows:

1. The Planning Department staff will present the staff report and recommendation on the proposal being heard and respond to questions from commissioners.
2. The Chair will open the public hearing by first asking the project applicant/agent to present any points necessary for the commission, as well as the public, to fully understand the proposal.
3. The Chair will then ask other interested persons to come to the podium to present testimony either in support of or in opposition to the proposal.
4. Finally, the Chair may invite the applicant/agent back to the podium to respond to the public testimony. Thereafter, the Chair will close the public testimony portion of the hearing and limit further discussion to the commission and staff prior to the commission taking action on a decision.

**RULES FOR PRESENTING TESTIMONY**

Planning Commission hearings often involve highly emotional issues. It is important that all participants conduct themselves with courtesy, dignity and respect. All persons who wish to present testimony must observe the following rules:

1. When you come to the podium, first identify yourself and give your place or residence both orally and on the sign in sheet at the podium. Commission meetings are audio and video tape-recorded and this information is required for the record.
2. Address your testimony to the Chair. Conversation or debate between a speaker at the podium and a member of the audience is not permitted.
3. Keep your testimony brief and to the point. Speak about the proposal and not about individuals. On occasion, the Chair may place time limits on testimony: Focus testimony on the important parts of the proposal: do not repeat points made by others. Please, no applauding or making comments from the audience during the testimony of others.
4. Written testimony is encouraged so they can be distributed in the packets to the Planning Commission. However, letters are most effective when presented at least a week in advance of the hearing. Written testimony provided after the staff reports are distributed and up to the meeting will also be distributed to the Planning Commission but there may not be enough time to fully consider the information. Mail should be directed to the Public Services Department, attention: Planning Commission Secretary.

**APPEALS**

If you are dissatisfied with any aspect of an approval or denial of a project, you have the right to appeal this decision to the City Council up to 10 days after the date of action. The appeal form is available at the Public Services Department and on the City's web site. If legitimate coastal resource issues related to our Local Coastal Program are raised in the appeal, there is no fee if the subject property is located with the Coastal Appeal Area. If the property is located outside the Coastal Appeal Area, the fee is one-half of the base fee of the permit application. If a fee is required, the appeal will not be considered complete if the fee is not paid.

Planning Commission decisions may also be appealed to the California Coastal Commission pursuant to the Coastal Act Section 30603 and the City Zoning Ordinance. Exhaustion of appeals at the City is required prior to appealing the matter to the California Coastal Commission. The appeal to the City Council must be made to the City and the appeal to the California Coastal Commission must be made directly to the California Coastal Commission Office. These regulations provide the California Coastal Commission 10 working days following the expiration of the City appeal period to appeal the decision. This means that no construction permit shall be issued until both the City and Coastal Commission appeal period have expired without an appeal being filed.

The Coastal Commission's Santa Cruz Office at (831) 427-4863 may be contacted for further information on appeal procedures.

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