

APPROVED MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY OF ALAMEDA HISTORICAL ADVISORY BOARD
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2022

1. CONVENE

Chair Norman Sanchez called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, codified at Government Code Section 54953, Historical Advisory Board members can attend the meeting via teleconference.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Sanchez, Vice-Chair Jones and Board Members Saxby, Borthwick and Hernandez.

Absent: None.

3. MINUTES

3-A 2022-2552 - *Historical Advisory Board Draft Meeting Minutes - September 1, 2022*

Vice Chair Jones made a correction to her term nomination.

Board Member Saxby made a motion to approve the September 1st minutes and Vice Chair Jones seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0.

4. AGENDA CHANGES AND DISCUSSION

None.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATION

None.

6. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

6-A 2022-2551 - *Architectural Preservation Society (AAPS) Newsletter*

Letter can be found here:

<https://alameda.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5899680&GUID=648E21E6-3CB8-4D17-923F-9861CBA0C769>.

7. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

7-A 2022-2555

Public Workshop to Review and Comment on the Draft Development Plan for the West Midway/RESHAP Project at Alameda Point.

Allen Tai, City Planner, introduced this item and Sean Whiskeman and Josh Roden from the development team, who gave a brief presentation (*10:32). The staff report and attachments can be found at

<https://alameda.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5899682&GUID=09909CD3-F08D-4290-B865-CC93EC532883&FullText=1>.

Public Comment for Item 7A

Christopher Buckley described the WAVES barracks as an integral part of the historical ensemble of Alameda Point. He urged that consideration be given to try and retain the building and incorporate it into the plan. He appreciated that had staff brought this to the historical board at an early stage in the development.

Action for Item 7A

This was a workshop item and no action was taken.

7-B 2022-2556

Public Workshop to review and comment on: 1) a Draft Resolution Containing Findings of Local Climatic, Geological, Topographical, and Environmental Conditions as Required to Adopt Alameda Local Amendments to the 2019 California Energy Code; 2) A Draft Ordinance Amending the Alameda Municipal Code by Amending: (1) Article I (Uniform Codes Relating to Building, Housing and Technical Codes) of Chapter XIII (Building and Housing) to Adopt Alameda Local Amendments to the 2022 Edition of the California Green Building Standards Code to Require Newly Constructed Buildings to be All-Electric.

Danielle Mieler, Sustainability and Resilience Manager, introduced this item and gave a presentation (*1:00:12). The staff report and attachments can be found at

<https://alameda.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5899683&GUID=05A2A602-8947-4EFF-AD6B-25D200155FB9&FullText=1>.

Public Comment for item 7B

Ruth Abbe (*1:34:30), Community Action for Sustainable Alameda (CASA), discussed how CASA was very supportive of this plan. She and CASA believed this was in line with what Alameda needed to do to move forward to reduce climate impacts.

Action for Item 7B

This was a workshop item and no action was taken.

7-C 2022-2557

Update on the Draft Housing Element 2023-2031. The Historical Advisory Board will receive an update on the status on the Draft Housing Element and Draft Zoning

Amendments to address State Fair Housing Law and to accommodate the Regional Housing Needs Allocation for the 2023-2031 planning period.

Staff Member Tai introduced this item and gave a brief oral report (*1:49:30). The staff report and attachments can be found at

<https://alameda.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5899684&GUID=6E729043-33B4-46CC-8524-8E6612DB59BA&FullText=1>.

Public Comment for Item 7C

Christopher Buckley, Alameda Architecture Preservation Society (AAPS), shared staff's concerns over the "builder's remedy" which had caught many cities off guard. He wanted clarification on the timeline if the Council decided to make any changes. AAPS was still very concerned about the impact of the Housing Element on Historic properties and new construction in historic neighborhood. The society still felt that the proposed upzoning was not needed to meet the RHNA and were going overboard. He discussed his concerns over the Density Bonus and how that could affect proposed building heights. He then shared slides (2:24:02) that illustrated his concerns about Density Bonus.

Due to the lateness of the hour and per the board's by laws a motion and vote was needed to continue the meeting past 10pm.

Board Member Hernandez made a motion to continue the meeting past 10pm and Board Member Saxby seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0.

Action for Item 7C

This was a discussion item and no action was taken.

7-D 2022-2558

Historical Advisory Board 2023 Meeting Calendar

Historical Advisory Board 2023 Meeting Calendar can be found at:

<https://alameda.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5899685&GUID=48AC7C9A-478D-46B3-A705-05BD5FE3CF2B>.

Action for Item 7D

Board Member Hernandez made a motion to approve the 2023 Meeting Calendar and Board Member Saxby seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0.

8. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

None.

9. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

None.

10. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 10:10 pm.

**the minute mark in the video to hear the comments in full.*