

APPROVED MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY OF ALAMEDA PLANNING BOARD
MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2018

1. CONVENE

President Mitchell convened the meeting at 9:13pm

2. FLAG SALUTE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: President Mitchell, Board Members Cavanaugh, Curtis, Köster, Sullivan, Teague.

Absent: Board Member Burton.

4. AGENDA CHANGES AND DISCUSSION

None

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

None

7. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

7-A 2018-5419

Approve Final Design Review Details for Block 9 Site A at Alameda Point
Staff Member Thomas introduced the item. The staff report and attachments can be found at:

<https://alameda.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3464715&GUID=5D2CB5C3-A47D-4D5B-8AFB-1C6F3A8983A2&FullText=1>

Kevin Markarian, Pyatok Architects, gave a presentation on changes to the final design.

The landscape architect gave a presentation on the updated landscape plan.

Board Member Teague said he reviewed the previous meeting where this item was discussed, which he was not present for.

Board Member Sullivan said they chose trees that are very slow growing. She asked how they selected the coast live oak, which requires a large space to grow into.

The landscape architect said the Master Infrastructure Plan prescribes the larger street tree choices and that they do not have control over that.

Board Member Sullivan asked if we need to have so many colors on the building elevation. She referenced the Del Monte senior housing building as a recent example of poor color choices and execution.

Board Member Köster said that the board gave feedback previously that the building was too flat and would benefit from increased color.

President Mitchell said the use of color in this project is more muted and said he and his wife both approve of the palette.

Board Member Cavanaugh asked if the rooftop would be available for public use or only for the residents of the building.

Mr. Markarian said that it would be a resident only amenity.

President Mitchell asked for information on the lighting of the project.

Mr. Markarian said the marquee sign may or may not be lit from below. He said they would be relying on street lighting to light the building.

The landscape architect said that the bird safe guidelines dictate no uplighting on the trees.

Board Member Curtis said it was a good design that addressed the concerns raised by the board in the previous meeting.

Board Member Köster said he met with the applicant and appreciated all the attention paid with the changes to the design.

Board Member Köster made a motion to approve the staff recommendation. Board Member Teague seconded the motion.

Board Member Teague said the pops of color were attractive.

The motion passed 6-0.

8. MINUTES

None

9. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

9-A 2018-5417

Zoning Administrator and Design Review Recent Actions and Decisions
Staff Member Thomas gave a brief report. The staff report and plans can be found at:
<https://alameda.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3464713&GUID=1CE86FAD-1E7E-46BE-B551-29D301C72780&FullText=1>

9-B 2018-5418

Future Public Meetings and Upcoming Community Development
Department Projects
The schedule preview can be found at:
<https://alameda.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3464714&GUID=79700CF9-E701-45D1-84FF-26DE33E1FB45>

10. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

11. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Board Member Teague said he met with Save Alameda's Working Waterfront regarding Alameda Marina. He asked if he needed to share the documents given to him at the meeting.

Staff Member Thomas said it was up to his discretion whether to share information given to him by a member of the public.

Board Member Köster pointed out that the public can provide written comment on the agenda items which gets included in the public record.

Board Member Teague raised privacy concerns about including personal contact information in online permit postings. He said the board should agendize a discussion about potential changes to how their meetings are conducted, referencing the League of Cities conference.

President Mitchell also suggested including the Open Government Commission recommendations.

12. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

13. ADJOURNMENT

President Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 9:54pm.