

# City of Capitola Special Planning Commission Meeting Agenda



**Wednesday, March 27, 2024 – 5:00 PM**

City Council Chambers

420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola, CA 95010

**Chairperson:** Courtney Christiansen

**Commissioners:** Paul Estey, Gerry Jensen, Susan Westman, Peter Wilk

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**1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance**

Commissioners Courtney Christiansen, Paul Estey, Gerry Jensen, Susan Westman, Peter Wilk

**2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda**

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A. Updated Attachment & Additional Correspondence – Item 7A

B. Additional Correspondence – Item 7C

**4. Oral Communications**

*Please review the section How to Provide Comments to the Planning Commission for instructions. Oral Communications allows time for members of the public to address the Planning Commission on any Consent Item on tonight's agenda or on any topic within the jurisdiction of the City that is not on the Public Hearing section of the Agenda. Members of the public may speak for up to three minutes unless otherwise specified by the Chair. Individuals may not speak more than once during Oral Communications. All speakers must address the entire legislative body and will not be permitted to engage in dialogue.*

**5. Planning Commission/Staff Comments**

**6. Consent Calendar**

*All matters listed under "Consent Calendar" are considered by the Planning Commission to be routine and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion on these items prior to the time the Planning Commission votes on the action unless the Planning Commission request specific items to be discussed for separate review. Items pulled for separate discussion will be considered in the order listed on the Agenda.*

A. Approval of February 1, 2024, Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

B. Approval of February 15, 2024, Special Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

C. Approval of March 7, 2024, Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

**7. Public Hearings**

*Public Hearings are intended to provide an opportunity for public discussion of each item listed as a Public Hearing. The following procedure is as follows: 1) Staff Presentation; 2) Planning Commission Questions; 3) Public Comment; 4) Planning Commission Deliberation; and 5) Decision.*

**A. 1400 Wharf Road – Capitola Wharf**

**Project Description:** Amendment to permit #20-0141, a Design Permit and Conditional Use Permit for the rehabilitation, repair, and expansion of the historic Capitola Wharf. The Capitola Wharf is located at 1400 Wharf Road within the PF (Public Facilities) zoning district, at APN: 034-072-01, -02. This project received a Coastal Development Permit issued by the California Coastal Commission.

**Recommended Action:** Approve the amendments for permit #20-0141 and provide direction to proceed with option 2 for the layout and location of the donor panels.

**B. 722 Escalona Drive**

**Project Description:** Tree Removal Permit #24-0105 for the removal of 35 trees, located within the PD (Planned Development) zoning district. This project is in the Coastal Zone but does not require a Coastal Development Permit. Environmental Determination: Categorical Exemption

**Recommended Action:** Approve application #24-0105 based on the attached Conditions and Findings for approval.

**C. City Property along Park Avenue**

**Project Description:** Tree Removal Permit #24-0106 for the removal of 22 trees between Park Avenue and the rail corridor. This project is in the Coastal Zone but does not require a Coastal Development Permit. Environmental Determination: Categorical Exemption

**Recommended Action:** Approve application #24-0106 based on the attached Conditions and Findings for approval.

**8. Director's Report**

**9. Adjournment – Adjourn to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Planning Commission on April 4, 2024, at 6:00 PM.**

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**Appeals:** The following decisions of the Planning Commission can be appealed to the City Council within the (10) calendar days following the date of the Commission action: Design Permit, Conditional Use Permit, Variance, and Coastal Permit. The decision of the Planning Commission pertaining to an Architectural and Site Review Design Permit can be appealed to the City Council within the (10) working days following the date of the Commission action. If the tenth day falls on a weekend or holiday, the appeal period is extended to the next business day.

All appeals must be submitted in writing on an official city application form, setting forth the nature of the action and the basis upon which the action is considered to be in error, and addressed to the City Council in care of the City Clerk. An appeal must be accompanied by a five hundred dollar (\$500) filing fee, unless the item involves a Coastal Permit that is appealable to the Coastal Commission, in which case there is no fee. If you challenge a decision of the Planning Commission in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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