



CITY COUNCIL MEETING: COMMISSION INTERVIEWS AGENDA

5:30 PM - Tuesday, August 30, 2022

via Teleconference

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PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM ## - MEETING DATE

Correspondence submitted in hard copy/paper must be received by 2:00 PM on the day of the meeting to ensure distribution prior to the meeting. Correspondence received prior to the meeting will be included in the public record. .

Public testimony will be taken at the direction of the Mayor, and members of the public may only comment during times allotted for public comments.

AGENDA

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ESTABLISH QUORUM

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1.** A. Conduct Interviews for Commission Vacancies
- B. Council discussion of applicant pool, credentials and qualifications

C. Council discussion of nomination/voting procedure for making appointments

2. Letter to County of Santa Clara regarding Stanford University Community Plan Update

ADJOURNMENT

(Council Norms: It will be the custom to have a recess at approximately 9:00 p.m. Prior to the recess, the Mayor shall announce whether any items will be carried over to the next meeting. The established hour after which no new items will be started is 11:00 p.m. Remaining items, however, may be considered by consensus of the Council.)

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**City Council Special Meeting
Commission Interviews
Tuesday, August 30, 2022 5:30 p.m.
Via Teleconference/Electronic Means**

5:30 p.m. - Call meeting to order...

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION: 1 SEAT Partial term expiring in March 2025
2 Applications Received

	Interview Time	Applicant	Other Commissions interested in:
1.	5:35 PM	Mike Tkalcevic	N/A
2.	5:50 PM	Steven C Brocksen	N/A

DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION: 2 SEATS Two terms expiring in September 2026 - One eligible incumbents
3 Applications Received

	Interview Time	Applicant	Other Commissions interested in:
3.	6:05 PM	Chepe Mantica	N/A
4.	6:20 PM	Stuart Klein	Planning
5.	6:35 PM	Urvashi Nagrani	Environmental and Library

Break - 6:50-7:05pm Break

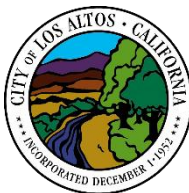
PLANNING COMMISSION 3 SEATS Three terms expiring in September 2026; Three eligible incumbents
4 Applications Received

	Interview Time	Applicant	Other Commissions interested in:	Invited, Confirmed, Link sent
6.	7:05 PM	Mehruss Jon Ahi*	N/A	
7.	7:20 PM	Joe Beninato	Design Review, Environmental, and Planning	
8.	7:35 PM	Theresa May Couture	N/A	
9.	7:50 PM	Kate Disney	Design Review and Financial	

HISTORICAL COMMISSION: 4 SEATS Four terms expiring in September 2026; Two eligible incumbents
3 Applications Received

	Interview Time	Applicant	Other Commissions interested in:
10.	8:05 PM	Liza Coe	Complete Streets
11.	8:20 PM	Jonathan Adams	N/A
12.	8:35 PM	Jonathan Baer	N/A

* Incumbent



AGENDA REPORT SUMMARY

Meeting Date: August 30, 2022

Subject Letter to County of Santa Clara regarding Stanford University Community Plan Update

Prepared by: Staff

Attachment:
1. Draft Letter

Initiated by:
Mayor Enander and Councilmember Fligor

Environmental Review:
Not applicable

Policy Question(s) for Council Consideration:

- Does the Council wish to send a letter to the County of Santa Clara regarding the Stanford University Community Plan Update?

Summary:

- Mayor Enander and Councilmember Fligor requested an agenda item to discuss this

Staff Recommendation:
Consider sending a letter to the County of Santa Clara regarding the Stanford University Community Plan Update and any future actions as needed



**City of Los Altos
One North San Antonio Road
Los Altos, California 94022**

August 31, 2022

Subject: Agenda Item #4 - August 31, 2022, Planning Commission Meeting relating to the Stanford Community Plan Update

Dear Members of the Santa Clara County Planning Commission,

I am writing on behalf of the Los Altos City Council to provide comment on the above-referenced Agenda Item 4 regarding the Report on Growth and Development, Land Use, Open Space, Resource Conservation, and Health and Safety chapters to be included in the Stanford Community Plan Update (“Report”). Thank you for the opportunity to do so. Thanks also to staff for putting together such a comprehensive report.

Like many jurisdictions that are in close proximity to the subject Stanford property, the City of Los Altos was involved in the public process for the 2019 General Use Permit. While Stanford University (the “University”) may have withdrawn its application for a new General Use Permit (“GUP”), Los Altos remains very concerned about the impacts of the University’s development on our community both today and in the future. Therefore, we believe its important that the Community Plan be rigorously updated, after more than 20 years of being on the shelf. It needs to be done prior to there being a new use permit under review.

Accordingly, we believe the staff recommendations contained in the Report are consistent with where the 2019 process left off, and we support those recommendations. We also have specific concerns about certain requests that we believe would weaken the effectiveness of policies in the Community Plan, including:

- removing the trip-based standards from the circulation chapter, including peak period and reverse commute trips;
- allowing for use of an in-lieu fee for affordable housing units when those fees are insufficient to actually result in the number of units needed; and
- allowing for housing built under the current GUP to be credited to a future GUP.

These concerns are born out of our experience from being a close neighbor (it is not often recognized that our downtown is less than 6 miles from the university campus). Los Altos has been directly impacted by the University’s acquisition of housing in Los Altos and resultant increase in traffic congestion on our streets. As we all know, affordable housing is a regional issue, and increasing opportunities for biking, walking, and transit are key to safer streets and cleaner air.

Thank you for hearing our concerns, and please support the staff recommendations addressing those concerns.

Sincerely,

Anita Enander
Mayor, City of Los Altos

cc:
Members, Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors
Members, Los Altos City Council