



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 23, 2026
110 EAST MAIN STREET
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:00 PM**

*Kendra Burch, Chair
Jeffrey Barnett, Vice Chair
Susan Burnett, Commissioner
Adam Mayer, Commissioner
Joe Sordi, Commissioner
Rob Stump, Commissioner
Emily Thomas, Commissioner*

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This is a hybrid/in-person meeting and will be held in-person at the Town Council Chambers at 110 E. Main Street and virtually through the Zoom webinar application (log-in information provided below). Members of the public may provide public comments for agenda items in-person or virtually through the Zoom webinar by following the instructions at the end of this agenda. The live stream of the meeting may be viewed on television and/or online at www.LosGatosCA.gov/TownYouTube.

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MEETING CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS *(Members of the public are welcome to address the Planning Commission on any matter that is not listed on the agenda and is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. The law generally prohibits the Commission from discussing or taking action on such items. Town resources may not be used to facilitate audio or visual presentations. To ensure all agenda items are heard, this portion of the agenda is limited to 30 minutes. In the event additional speakers were not heard during the initial Verbal Communications portion of the agenda, an additional Verbal Communications will be opened prior to adjournment. Each speaker is limited to no more than three (3) minutes or such time as authorized by the Chair.)*

CONSENT ITEMS *(Consent Items are considered routine Town business and may be approved by one motion. Any member of the Commission may remove an item from the Consent Items for comment and action. Members of the public may provide input on any or multiple Consent Item(s) when the Chair asks for public comments on the Consent Items. If you wish to comment, please follow the Participation Instructions located at the end of this agenda. If an item is removed, the Chair has the sole discretion to determine when the item will be heard. Each speaker is limited to no more than three (3) minutes or such time as authorized by the Chair.)*

1. Approve the Draft Minutes of the September 9, 2026, Planning Commission Meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS *(Presentations during the Public Hearings portion of the agenda by appellants and applicants, including any expert or consultant assisting with the presentation, shall be limited to a total of no more than five (5) minutes for all speakers. Appellants and applicants shall be provided no more than three (3) minutes to rebut at the end of the public hearing. Visual presentations that require the use of staff resources shall be limited to appellants and applicants. Members of the public testifying at public hearings shall be limited to no more than three (3) minutes, or such time as authorized by the Chair.)*

2. Consider an Appeal of a Community Development Director Decision to Deny a Request to Remove a Pre-1941 Property from the Historic Resources Inventory for Property Zoned R-1D. **Located at 226 Caldwell Avenue.** APN 529-20-031. Request for Review PHST-26-014. Not Subject to CEQA Review Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3). Property Owner: Jignesh Mehta. Applicant: Amir Afifi. Project Planner: Suray Nathan.
3. Consider a Request for Approval of an Exception to the Town's Commercial Design Guidelines to Allow Wall Signs (ROEM) to Exceed the Maximum Letter Height on Property Zoned C-1. **Located at 536 N. Santa Cruz Avenue.** APN 529-07-090. Sign Permit Application SN-26-024. Categorically Exempt Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, Section 15301: Existing Facilities. Property Owner: Robert Emami. Applicant: David Ford. Project Planner: Suray Nathan.
4. Consider a Request for Approval to Construct a New Single-Family Residence and Site Improvements Requiring a Grading Permit on Vacant Property Zoned HR-2½. **Located at 233 Forrester Road.** APN 537-21-010. Architecture and Site Application S-26-010. Categorically Exempt Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303: New Construction. Property Owner: Valy Jalalian, Hilow Road LLC. Applicant: Gary Kohlsaas. Project Planner: Jocelyn Shoopman.
5. Forward a Recommendation to the Town Council on a Request for Approval to Amend the North Forty Specific Plan to Allow for a Senior Living Facility to be Authorized as a Permitted Use in the Northern District on Properties Zoned North Forty Specific Plan and North Forty Specific Plan:Housing Element Overlay Zone. **Project Location: North Forty Specific Plan Area.** North Forty Specific Plan Amendment Application A-26-002. Not Subject to CEQA Review Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3) because

it can be seen with Certainty that there is No Possibility that the Amendments to the Specific Plan would have a Significant Effect on the Environment. All Projects to which the Specific Plan Applies Will Undergo Separate CEQA Review and Approval. Property Owner: Tama Holdings LLC. Applicant: Jared Gamelin. Project Planner: Jocelyn Shoopman.

6. Forward a Recommendation to the Town Council on a Resolution Amending the North Forty Specific Plan Pursuant to Implementation Program D of the 2023-2031 Housing Element to: Allow 30 to 40 Dwelling Units Per Acre; Remove the Housing Unit Cap; and Remove Guest Parking Requirements on Properties Zoned North Forty Specific Plan and North Forty Specific Plan: Housing Element Overlay Zone. **Project Location: North Forty Specific Plan Area.** North Forty Specific Plan Amendment Application A-26-005. Not Subject to CEQA Review Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3) because it can be seen with Certainty that there is No Possibility that the Amendments to the Specific Plan would have a Significant Effect on the Environment. All Projects to which the Specific Plan Applies Will Undergo Separate CEQA Review and Approval. Applicant: Town of Los Gatos. Project Planner: Jocelyn Shoopman.

REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS / COMMISSION MATTERS

ADJOURNMENT (*Planning Commission policy is to adjourn no later than 11:30 p.m. unless a majority of the Planning Commission votes for an extension of time.*)

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NOTICE REGARDING SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS - Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Commission after initial distribution of the agenda packets are available for public inspection in the Clerk's Office at Town Hall, 110 E. Main Street, Los Gatos and on the Town's website at www.losgatosca.gov. Planning Commission agendas and related materials can be viewed online at <https://losgatos-ca.municodemeetings.com/>.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

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Zoom webinar (Online): Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device: Please click this URL to join: <https://losgatosca.gov.zoom.us/j/88436489094?pwd=EsA5rW7LuC5mDayk1uQf1SJm1orUDw.1>.

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- When the Chair announces the item for which you wish to speak, click the “raise hand” feature in Zoom. If you are participating by phone on the Zoom app, press *9 on your telephone keypad to raise your hand.

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In-Person: Please complete a “speaker’s card” located on the back of the Chamber benches and return it to the Vice Chair before the meeting or when the Chair announces the item for which you wish to speak.

NOTES: (1) Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes or less at the Chair’s discretion.

(2) If you are unable to participate in real-time, you may email planning@losgatosca.gov with the subject line “Public Comment Item #___” (insert the item number relevant to your comment).

(3) Deadlines to submit written public comments are:

- 3:00 p.m. the Friday before the Planning Commission meeting for inclusion in the agenda packet.
- 3:00 p.m. the Tuesday before the Planning Commission meeting for inclusion in an addendum.
- 11:00 a.m. on the day of the Planning Commission meeting for inclusion in a desk item.

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