



## **PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA**

**Wednesday, July 9, 2025**

**Regular Hearing**  
**Commencing at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Council Chambers**  
First Floor, City Hall Wing  
200 East Santa Clara Street  
San José, California

**Carlos Rosario, Chair**  
**Melissa Bickford, Vice Chair**  
**Louis Barocio      Dilpreet Bhandal**  
**Charles Cantrell      Lawrence Casey**  
**Khoi Nguyen      Pierluigi Oliverio**  
**Anthony Tordillos      Michael Young**

**Christopher Burton, Director**  
**Planning, Building & Code Enforcement**

### **How to observe the Meeting (no public comment)**

1. Online at <https://sanjoseca.zoom.us/j/84325178536>; or
2. By Phone: (408) 638-0968. Webinar ID is 843 2517 8536. Alternative phone numbers are: US: +1 (213) 338-8477
3. <https://www.youtube.com/CityofSanJoseCalifornia>; or
4. [https://sanjose.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view\\_id=51](https://sanjose.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=51); or
5. Cable Channel 26

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Send email to [planningsupportstaff@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:planningsupportstaff@sanjoseca.gov) by 1:00 p.m. the day of the meeting. Those emails will be attached to the item on the Agenda. Please identify the Agenda Item Number in the subject line of your email. Public correspondence received after 1:00 p.m. may not be considered by the Commission due to time constraints. Public comments received after 1:00 p.m. should be presented during the hearing.

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Adaptaciones para discapacitados serán proporcionadas a pedido. Mande correo electrónico [ADA@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:ADA@sanjoseca.gov). Llame (408) 535-8430. Los miembros de la comunidad pueden recibir servicios de interpretación gratuitos. Comuníquese con [OficinadePlanificacion@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:OficinadePlanificacion@sanjoseca.gov) o llame al 408-793-4100 para solicitar servicios de interpretación al menos una semana antes de la reunión.

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### **THE LEVINE ACT**

[The Levine Act](#) requires a Party in a Proceeding before the City of San José that involves any action related to their contract, license, permit, or use entitlement to disclose any campaign contributions to City elected or appointed officials totaling more than \$500 within the 12 months prior to the City decision. A Participant to a Proceeding may voluntarily report a campaign contribution on the form located on [the Levine Act webpage](#).

## **SUMMARY OF HEARING PROCEDURES**

If you want to address the Commission, please fill out a speaker card located on the table near the Audio Visual Technician and deposit the completed card in the basket. There are also speaker cards in the back of the Chambers and at the side entrance.

The procedure for this hearing is as follows:

- After staff's presentation, applicants and/or appellants may make up to a 5-minute presentation.
- During the public comment period, the chair will call out names on the submitted speaker cards in the order received. As your name is called, line up in front of the microphone at the front of the Chamber.
- Generally, each speaker will be given up to two minutes for public testimony, and speakers using a translator will have up to four minutes. At the discretion of the Chair, the time allotted to each speaker may be changed depending on the number of items on the agenda, number of speakers, and other factors. Speakers using a translator will have double the time allotted.
- After the public testimony, the applicant and/or appellant may make closing remarks for up to an additional five minutes.
- Planning Commissioners may ask questions of the speakers. Response to Commissioner questions will not reduce the speaker's time allowance.
- The public hearing will then be closed, and the Planning Commission will take action on the item. The Planning Commission may request staff to respond to the public testimony, ask staff questions, and discuss the item.

**If you challenge these land use decisions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at this public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior to, the public hearing.**

**The Planning Commission's action on re-zonings, pre-zonings, General Plan Amendments and Code Amendments is only advisory to the City Council. The City Council will hold public hearings on these items.** Section 20.120.400 of the Municipal Code provides the procedures for legal protests to the City Council on re-zonings and pre-zonings. The Planning Commission's action on Conditional Use Permits is appealable to the City Council in accordance with Section 20.100.220 of the Municipal Code. Agendas and all staff reports for this meeting may be accessed at: <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/planning-building-code-enforcement/planning-division/commissions-hearings-and-developers-roundtable/planning-commission/planning-commission-agendas-minutes>.

# **AGENDA**

## **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

### **WELCOME**

Welcome to the Planning Commission Meeting. Please remember to turn off your cell phones. The parking validation machine for the garage under City Hall is located at the rear of the Chambers.

### **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

### **ROLL CALL**

### **SUMMARY OF HEARING PROCEDURES**

## **1. CALL TO ORDER & ORDERS OF THE DAY**

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## **2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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Public comments to the Planning Commission on non-agendized items. Please fill out a speaker's card and give it to the technician. Each member of the public may address the Commission for up to two minutes. The commission cannot take any formal action without the item being properly noticed and placed on an agenda. In response to public comment, the Planning Commission is limited to the following options:

- Responding to statements made or questions posed by members of the public; or
- Requesting staff to report back on a matter at a subsequent meeting; or
- Directing staff to place the item on a future agenda.

## **3. DEFERRALS AND REMOVALS FROM CALENDAR**

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Any item scheduled for hearing this evening for which deferral is being requested will be taken out of order to be heard first on the matter of deferral or removal.

Staff will provide an update on the items for which deferral and removal is being requested. If you want to change any of the deferral dates recommended or speak to the question of deferring or removing these or any other items, you should say so at this time.

**No Items**

## **4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

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Notice to the public: There will be no separate discussion of individual Consent Calendar items as they are considered to be routine and will be adopted by one motion. If a member of the Commission requests debate, separate vote or recusal on a particular item, that item may be removed from the Consent Calendar by the Chair and considered separately. The public may comment on the entire Consent Calendar and any items removed from the Consent Calendar by the Chair.

Staff will provide an update on the consent calendar. If you wish to speak on one of these items individually, please come to the podium at this time.

- [Review and Approve Action Minutes from June 25, 2025.](#)

## 5. PUBLIC HEARING

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Generally, the Public Hearing items are considered by the Planning Commission in the order in which they appear on the agenda. However, please be advised that the Commission may take items out of order to facilitate the agenda, such as to accommodate significant public testimony, or may defer discussion of items to later agendas for public hearing time management purposes.

- a. [PDC23-104, T23-016, PD23-016 & ER23-176](#): Planned Development Zoning to rezone the project site from the PQP and R-M Zoning Districts to the PQP(PD) Planned Development Zoning District. Vesting Tentative Map to combine six existing parcels into one approximately 1.17-gross-acre parcel. Planned Development Permit to allow the construction of one new two-story, approximately 10,720-square-foot church education building containing alternating uses of a religious school, preschool, language school, and a privately-operated community center, including outdoor uses approximately 50 feet from a residentially-zoned property, and an approximately 1,950-square-foot auxiliary building through the demolition of an approximately 3,563-square-foot church education building and four single-family houses and one accessory building and the removal of six trees (two ordinance-size and four non-ordinance-size) located between North Fourth and North Fifth Streets, approximately 220 feet north of Jackson Street (639-645 North Fifth Street and 620-642 North Fourth Street) (San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin, Owner). Council District: 3. **CEQA**: Mitigated Negative Declaration for the San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin Expansion Project.

*PROJECT MANAGER, JASON LEE*

**Staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend the City Council take all the following actions:**

1. Adopt a Resolution adopting the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin Expansion Project and the associated Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act; and
2. Approve an Ordinance rezoning the Project Site from the PQP Public/Quasi-Public Zoning District and the R-M Multiple Residence District to the PQP(PD) Planned Development Zoning District on an approximately 1.17-gross-acre site.
3. Adopt a Resolution approving, subject to conditions, a Vesting Tentative Map to combine six existing parcels into one approximately 1.17-gross-acre parcel.
4. Adopt a Resolution approving, subject to conditions, a Planned Development Permit to allow the construction of one new two-story, approximately 10,720-square-foot church education building containing alternating uses of a religious school, preschool, language school, and a privately-operated community center, including outdoor uses approximately 50 feet from a residentially-zoned property, and an approximately 1,950-square-foot auxiliary building through the demolition of an approximately 3,563-square-foot church education building and four single-family houses and one accessory building and the removal of six trees (two ordinance-size and four non-ordinance-size) on an approximately 1.17-gross-acre site.

## 6. REFERRALS FROM CITY COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, OR OTHER AGENCIES

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## **7. GOOD AND WELFARE**

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- a. Report from City Council
- b. Subcommittee Formation, Reports, and Outstanding Business
- c. Commission Calendar and Study Sessions.
  - i. Study Session scheduled for August 13, 2025 for Proposed Changes to Resolution and Staff Report Formatting
- d. The Public Record

## **ADJOURNMENT**

## **2025 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Type of Meeting</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>
January 8	6:30 p.m.	Cancelled: Regular	
January 22	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
February 12	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
February 26	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
March 12	5:00 p.m.	<i>Special Meeting: Study Session</i> <i><u>Housing Catalyst Work Plan</u></i>	<i>Wing Rooms 118-119-120</i>
March 12	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
March 26	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
April 9	6:30 p.m.	Regular & General Plan	Council Chambers
April 23	6:30 p.m.	Regular & General Plan	Council Chambers
May 14	5:00 p.m.	<i>Special Meeting: Study Session</i>	<i>Wing Rooms 118-119-120</i>
<i><u>City's Proposed 2025-2027 Capital Budget &amp; 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Program</u></i>			
May 14	6:30 p.m.	Regular & General Plan	Council Chambers
May 28	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
June 11	6:30 p.m.	Cancelled: Regular	
June 25	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
July 9	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
July 23	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
August 13	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
August 27	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
September 10	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
September 24	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
October 8	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
October 22	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
November 5	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
November 19	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
December 3	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
December 10	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers

## ABOUT THE PLANNING COMMISSION

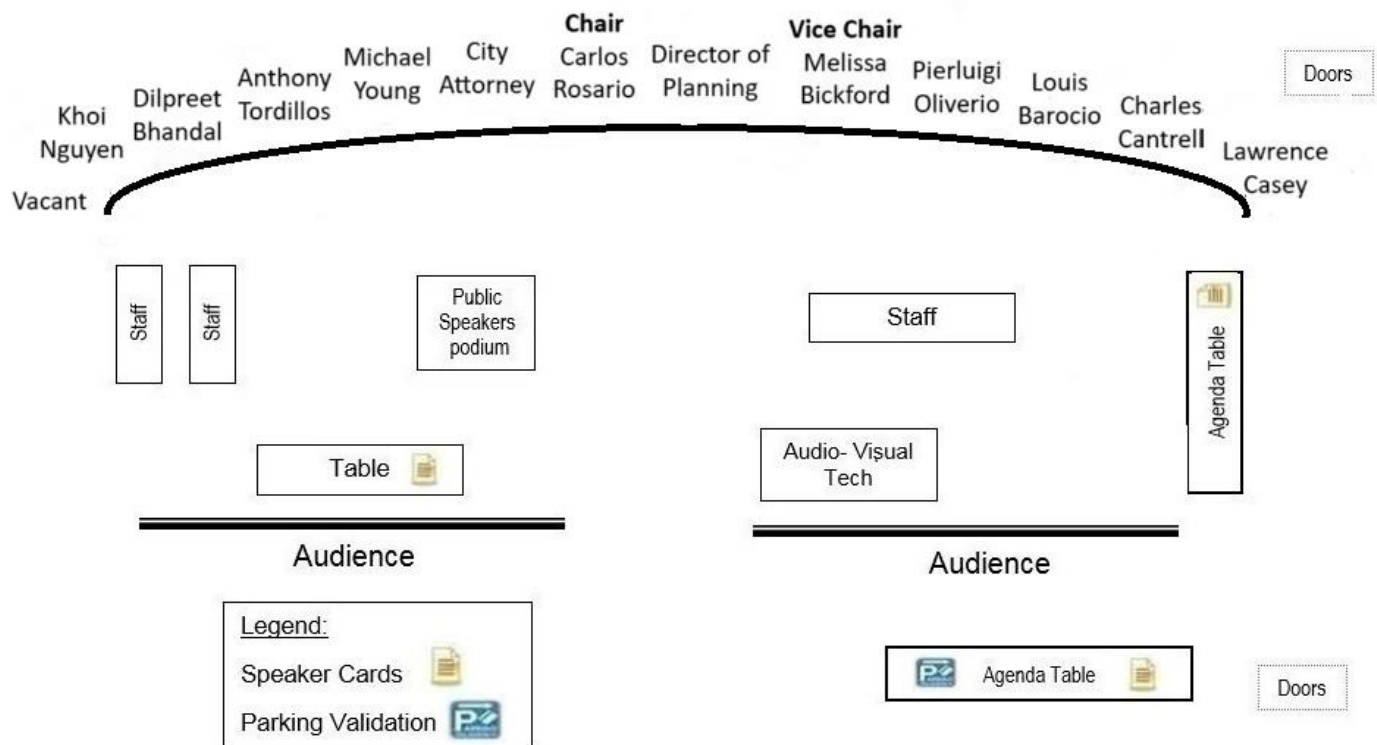
The Planning Commission is an eleven-member body, appointed by the City Council, which performs two types of actions:

- One type is “Quasi-Legislative” in nature in which the Planning Commission makes recommendations to the City Council regarding the adoption, amendment, or repeal of general or specific plans, Zoning Code provisions, or regulations related to the land use development, redevelopment, rehabilitation or renewal of the City, including its Capital Improvement Programs.
- The second type of action is “Quasi-Judicial” in nature in which the Planning Commission applies previously adopted legislation to particular applications and acts as a decision-making or appellate body. Examples of these types of actions include Commission decisions on Conditional Use Permits, appeals of the Planning Director’s decisions on certain land use permits, and the certification of Environmental Impact Reports.

A notation of “Administrative Hearing” for an agenda item indicates that the item is a Quasi-Judicial action of the Commission in order to assist the public in understanding the role of the Planning Commission on a particular item.

To effectively manage the Planning Commission Agenda, and to be sensitive to concerns regarding the length of public hearing, the Planning Commission may determine to proceed with remaining agendized items past 11:00 p.m., or to continue this hearing to a later date, or to defer remaining items to the next regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting date. The decision on how to proceed will be heard by the Planning Commission no later than 11:00 p.m.

### Seating Chart within the City Council Chambers:



The San José Planning Commission generally meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted. Agendas and Staff Reports for Planning Commission items may be viewed on the Internet at <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments/planning-building-code-enforcement/planning-division/commissions-and-hearings/planning-commission>

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If you have any agenda questions, please contact Support Staff at (408) 535-3505 or email [PlanningSupportStaff@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:PlanningSupportStaff@sanjoseca.gov). Thank you for taking the time to attend today's meeting. We look forward to seeing you at future meetings.

### **FREQUENTLY USED ABBREVIATIONS**

<b>CEQA</b>	California Environmental Quality Act
<b>CUP</b>	Conditional Use Permit
<b>DA</b>	Development Agreement
<b>PD</b>	Planned Development Permit
<b>PDC</b>	Planned Development Zoning

## **CITY OF SAN JOSÉ CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND COMMITTEE ROOMS**

The Code of Conduct is intended to promote open meetings that welcome debate of public policy issues being discussed by the City Council, Redevelopment Agency Board, their Committees, and City Boards and Commissions in an atmosphere of fairness, courtesy, and respect for differing points of view.

### **1. Public Meeting Decorum:**

- a) Persons in the audience will refrain from behavior, which will disrupt the public meeting. This will include making loud noises, clapping, shouting, booing, hissing or engaging in any other activity in a manner that disturbs, disrupts or impedes the orderly conduct of the meeting.
- b) Persons in the audience will refrain from creating, provoking or participating in any type of disturbance involving unwelcome physical contact.
- c) Persons in the audience will refrain from using cellular phones and/or pagers while the meeting is in session.
- d) Appropriate attire, including shoes and shirts are required in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms at all times.
- e) Persons in the audience will not place their feet on the seats in front of them.
- f) No food, drink (other than bottled water with a cap), or chewing gum will be allowed in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, except as otherwise pre-approved by City staff.
- g) All persons entering the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, including their bags, purses, briefcases and similar belongings, may be subject to search for weapons and other dangerous materials.

### **2. Signs, Objects or Symbolic Material:**

- a) Objects and symbolic materials, such as signs or banners, will be allowed in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, with the following restrictions:
  - No objects will be larger than 2 feet by 3 feet.
  - No sticks, posts, poles or other such items will be attached to the signs or other symbolic materials.
  - The items cannot create a building maintenance problem or a fire or safety hazard.
- b) Persons with objects and symbolic materials such as signs must remain seated when displaying them and must not raise the items above shoulder level, obstruct the view or passage of other attendees, or otherwise disturb the business of the meeting.
- c) Objects that are deemed a threat to persons at the meeting or the facility infrastructure are not allowed. City staff is authorized to remove items and/or individuals from the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms if a threat exists or is perceived to exist. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: firearms (including replicas and antiques), toy guns, explosive material, and ammunition; knives and other edged weapons; illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia; laser pointers, scissors, razors, scalpels, box cutting knives, and other cutting tools; letter openers, corkscrews, can openers with points, knitting needles, and hooks; hairspray, pepper spray, and aerosol containers; tools; glass containers; and large backpacks and suitcases that contain items unrelated to the meeting.

**CITY OF SAN JOSÉ CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND COMMITTEE ROOMS (CONT'D)**

3. Addressing the Council, Redevelopment Agency Board, Committee, Board or Commission:
- a) Persons wishing to speak on an agenda item or during open forum are requested to complete a speaker card and submit the card to the City Clerk or other administrative staff at the meeting.
  - b) Meeting attendees are usually given two (2) minutes to speak on any agenda item and/or during open forum; the time limit is in the discretion of the Chair of the meeting and may be limited when appropriate. Applicants and appellants in land use matters are usually given more time to speak.
  - c) Speakers should discuss topics related to City business on the agenda, unless they are speaking during open forum.
  - d) Speakers' comments should be addressed to the full body. Requests to engage the Mayor, Council Members, Board Members, Commissioners, or Staff in conversation will not be honored. Abusive language is inappropriate.
  - e) Speakers will not bring to the podium any items other than a prepared written statement, writing materials, or objects that have been inspected by security staff.
  - f) If an individual wishes to submit written information, he or she may give it to the City Clerk or other administrative staff at the meeting.
  - g) Speakers and any other members of the public will not approach the dais at any time without prior consent from the Chair of the meeting.

Failure to comply with this Code of Conduct which will disturb, disrupt or impede the orderly conduct of the meeting may result in removal from the meeting and/or possible arrest.