



LA JOLLA SHORES PLANNED DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES FROM:

WEDNESDAY, February 18, 2026

Item 1: CALL TO ORDER

Board Member Sherri Lightner called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Item 2: ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sherri Lightner, Kathleen Neil, Suzanne Weissman, and Philip Wise.

Staff Liaison: Melissa Garcia, Senior Planner, City Planning Department; Matthew Nasrallah, Associate Planner, City Planning Department.

Item 3: APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda by Board Member Weissman, seconded by Board Member Wise. Agenda approved 4-0-0.

Item 4: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES from November 19, 2025.

Motion to approve the minutes with changes by Board Member Wise, seconded by Board Member Weissman. Minutes approved 4-0-0.

Item 5: BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Board Member Lightner explained that Board Member Potter and herself were able to meet with Council President Joe La Cava about Item 104 of the Land Development Code Update. Since the meeting, they have sent a few follow-up emails to the council president's office. Based on the meetings the board members had with council staff, they learned the item was not brought to the attention of the council president and his office. The proposed language is an improvement over the previous draft, but it's still not what the Advisory Board considers ideal.

Item 6: STAFF LIAISON COMMENT

Staff Liaison Garcia reminded the Advisory Board to e-file their Form 700, and noted that they should receive a confirmation email that they've filed once the form has been completed.

Item 7: NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT
No public comment was provided.

Item 8: **PRJ-1147772 – 2255 Paseo Dorado (ACTION ITEM)**

First and second floor addition to the existing one-story residence with attached 3-car garage. Interior remodel of kitchen, living room, laundry and powder bath. The applicant is seeking a recommendation that the Project is minor in scope.

Eric Buchanan of Oasis Architecture & Design, Inc. presented the item.

Public Comment:

No public comment was provided.

Board Comment included:

- Concern that a 40% FAR increase is not minor in scope
- Concern that the groundwork and grading would consist of major renovations
- Concern that the new garage is planned to be quite close to the adjacent neighbor and may encroach on their privacy
- Concern that there would not be enough notice to neighbors if the project is designated as a Process 1

Board Motion: The LJSPDAB moved to recommend that the project is not Minor in Scope, as it surpasses the minimum threshold. Motion made by Board Member Neil, seconded by Board Member Wise. Motion approved 4-0-0.

Item 9: **PRJ-1139063 – 7872 Esterel Drive (ACTION ITEM)**

Addition and remodel of the existing one-story single dwelling unit of 3,524 square feet over a basement. Includes addition of 35 square feet to the ground level, addition of 1,636 square feet to the existing basement and a new lower level basement of 1,391 square feet. The applicant is seeking a recommendation of approval of a Site Development Permit (SDP).

Sara Carpenter of Architect Mark, D. Lyon, Inc. presented the item.

Public Comment:

No public comment was provided.

Board Comment included:

- Concern regarding grading and the number of trucks that will be present during construction

- Suggestion to have a traffic control plan to implement during construction
- Support for the applicant's overall goal to designate the site as a historical property

Board Motion: The LJSPDAB moved to recommend the project as presented for a Site Development Permit. Motion made by Board Member Neil, seconded by Board Member Wise. Motion approved 4-0-0.

Item 10: **PRJ-1102311 – 8151 Calle Del Cielo (ACTION ITEM)**

Construction of a new attached 2-car garage with an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) above. The applicant is seeking a recommendation of approval of a Site Development Permit (SDP) and Coastal Development Permit (CDP).

Audrey Ruland of Ruland Design Group presented the request.

Public Comment:

No public comment was provided.

Board Comment included:

- Concern regarding how close the addition is to the slope
- Concern regarding the retaining wall that needs refortification and the new retaining wall planned for construction
- Concern regarding brush management and the possible implementation of Zone 0 regulations
- Notice to the applicant that the notice on-site needs to remain established and visible for the entirety of the project

Board Motion: The LJSPDAB moved to recommend the project, as presented, for a Site Development Permit and a Coastal Development Permit. Motion made by Board Member Weissman, seconded by Board Member Wise. Motion approved 4-0-0.

Item 11: **ADJOURNMENT**

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 18, 2026. The meeting concluded at 11:25 a.m.