



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

**SEPTEMBER 28, 2023, at 9:00 A.M.
PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA
HYBRID MEETING/IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

City Administration Building, 12th Floor,
202 C Street, San Diego, California 92101

PLANNING COMMISSIONERS

- William Hofman – Chairperson
- Dennis Otsuji
- Ken Malbrough
- Matthew Boomhower
- Kelly Modén - Vice-Chairperson
- Ted Miyahara
- Farah Mahzari

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING MEETING ACCESS

The Planning Commission meetings will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of California Government Code section 54953(a), as amended by Assembly Bill 2249.

The Planning Commissioners will be in person and the meeting will be open for in-person testimony. Additionally, we are continuing to provide alternatives to in-person attendance for participating in Planning Commission meetings.

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Please fill out a speaker slip located at the entrance to the meeting. Indicate the item you wish to speak on as well as other requested information. Then submit it to the Chairperson at the box indicated near the speaker's lectern at the front of the room.

Via Virtual Platform for Agenda Items and Non-Agenda Public Comment:

When the Chairperson introduces the item (or indicates it is time for Non-Agenda Public Comment), raise your hand by either tapping the "Raise Your Hand" button on your computer, tablet, or Smartphone, or by dialing *9 on your phone. You will be taken in the order in which you raised your hand. You may only speak once on a particular item.

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Please Note: Members of the public who wish to provide virtual testimony must enter the virtual queue by raising their hand before the queue closes. The queue will close when the last virtual speaker finishes speaking or five minutes after in-person testimony ends, whichever happens first.

Those participating virtually may NOT cede time to others participating in person or virtually.

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Submit using the [webform](#) indicating the comment type and item number (if relevant). Comments received by 7:00 AM, the day of the meeting, will be distributed to the Planning Commission and posted online with the meeting materials. All webform comments are limited to 200 words but may include attachments. Comments received after the deadlines described above but before the item is called will be submitted into the written record for the relevant item. Please go to the Planning Commission [website](#) for further instructions.

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Administration Building in a binder labeled "Late-Arriving Materials." Late arriving materials received during the Planning Commission meeting are available for review by making a verbal request to Legislative staff.

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Items Marked with Asterisks:

Those items with an asterisk (*) will include consideration and adoption/approval of the appropriate environmental document. For additional information please see California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA Notices and Documents at: <https://www.sandiego.gov/ceqa>).

Consent Agenda:

The Commission may vote to approve one or more items identified as being part of a Consent Agenda. If an item is approved in that manner, the action approved is as stated in Staff's recommendation, which is normally set forth in the agenda and the Report to Planning Commission which Staff may modify prior to the vote by informing the Commission verbally or in writing.

The Consent Agenda may be voted on quickly, if you wish to be heard, please submit your [webform](#) 2 hours prior to the start of the meeting. Comments received by 7:00 AM, the day of the meeting, will be distributed to the Planning Commission and posted online with the meeting materials. All webform comments are limited to 200 words but may include attachments. Comments received after the deadlines described above but before the item is called will be submitted into the written record for the relevant item.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2023 AT 9:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL

ANNOUNCEMENTS/NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest within the jurisdiction of the Commission. Comments relating to items on today's docket are to be taken at the time the item is heard.

Comments may be submitted using the [webform](#) checking the appropriate box. Comments received by 7:00 AM, the day of the meeting, will be distributed to the Planning Commission and posted online with the meeting materials. All webform comments are limited to 200 words. Comments received after the start of the meeting but before non-agenda comment is called will be submitted into the written record for the meeting. Pursuant to the Brown Act, no discussion or action, other than a referral, shall be taken by the Commission on any issue brought forth under Announcements/Public Comment.

REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE CONTINUED AND/OR WITHDRAWN

REQUEST FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- [September 21, 2023](#)

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

COMMISSION COMMENT

AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM 1: *Appeal of Process 2, staff decision on 7/19/2023* 301 SPRUCE STREET – PROJECT NO. 1053621

Staff: Robin MacCartee

City Council District: 3

Plan Area: Uptown

The consideration of two appeals of a Neighborhood Development Permit (NDP) at 301 Spruce Street. The project would demolish five existing commercial-use structures with zero existing dwelling units on a four-lot parcel and construct a new 400,152-square-foot, mixed-use structure including 262 dwelling units, 266 parking stalls, and 5,631 square-feet of commercial space with off-site utility work and sidewalks (project). The proposed project will be an "L" shaped building with building heights stepping up from 6 stories to 17 stories at 194 feet in height over four levels of subterranean parking and include a spa, co-working area, gym, community kitchen, dining area, pool, pool deck, BBQ deck, and reception area. The 0.81-acre site is in the RM-3-7 and CC-3-8 zones, Community Plan Implementation Overlay Zone (CPIOZ-A), the Complete Communities Housing Solutions Overlay Tier 2 FAR 8:0 and Tier 3 FAR 6.5, the Complete Communities Mobility Choices Mobility Zone 2 Overlay, Transit Area Overlay Zone (TAOZ), the Parking Standards Transit Priority Area (PSTPA), Transit Priority Area (TPA), Affordable Housing Parking Demand Medium Category, San Diego International Airport Influence Area Review Area 2, and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Part 77 Noticing Area of the Uptown Community Plan area. The project is utilizing the Complete Communities Housing Solutions program. On July 7, 2023, the Development Services Department issued a Notice of Decision (NOD) approving the project. On July 18, 2023, The Uptown

Planners filed an appeal and on July 21, 2023, the Citizens Committed to Preserving Maple Canyon filed an appeal to the NOD.

The project was considered under CEQA Guidelines section 15162-consistency evaluation and determined that the proposed project was consistent with the previously certified Uptown Community Plan Update Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) (Project No. 380611/SCH No. 2016061023; certified by the City of San Diego City Council on September 15, 2016, Resolution No. R-310767) and the Final Environmental Impact Report for Complete Communities: Housing Solutions and Mobility Choices (SCH No. 2019060003)(May 2022). [Report No. PC-23-035](#).

PROPOSED ACTION

Process 2. Approve or Deny the Appeal.

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Deny the Citizens Committed to Preserving Maple Canyon appeal, grant the Uptown Planners appeal in part, and modify the staff’s decision by incorporating additional NDP findings related to Environmentally Sensitive Lands.

ITEM 2: *ALL PEOPLE’S CHURCH – PROJECT NO. 636444

Staff: Martha Blake
City Council District: 7
Plan Area: Navajo

Community Plan Amendment, Planned Development Permit, Site Development Permit, Tentative Map, revestment of access rights and Easement Vacations (of slope, sewer, drainage, and utilities) to allow for the development of a 54,476-square-foot (SF) sanctuary/multi-purpose building, and a 71,010 SF, two-level parking garage (367 parking spaces), and would include a 900-seat (587 fixed seats) church plus accessory uses including Sunday school classrooms, offices, and a multipurpose room/gym. The 5.99-acre site is located at the northeast corner of Interstate 8 and College Avenue, within the RS-1-7 zone of the Navajo Community Planning area. Environmental Impact Report No. 636444/SCH No. 2021100394. [Report No. PC-23-039](#).

PROPOSED ACTION

Process 5. Recommend City Council to Approve or Deny the Project.

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Recommend to City Council to Approve the Project

ADJOURNED