

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SAN MARINO DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 15, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER Chairman Frank Hsu called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chairman Frank Hsu, Committee Member Kevin Cheng, Committee Member John Dustin, Committee Member Corinna Wong, Alternate Committee Member Judy Johnson-Brody, Alternate Committee Member Chris Huang.

ABSENT: Vice-Chairman William Dietrick

APPEAL PROCEDURE

Chairman Frank Hsu gave an explanation of the Design Review Committee procedures and explanation of the fifteen-day appeal procedure to the members of the audience.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no general public comments.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

**1. DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE CASE NO. DRC16-22
1665 DEL MAR AVENUE, (ZHAO/CHENG)**

Committee Member Cheng recused himself from voting on this item.

Associate Planner Merlo presented the project and stated staff was unable to meet all of the required findings for this project.

Michael Cheng, applicant, presented the project and was available for questions.

There was no public comment.

It was the consensus of the Committee that the colors and materials were not complementary to each other and that the project was not yet ready for approval.

Committee Member Dustin moved to continue the project to the meeting of March 15, 2017. Second by Committee Member Wong. AYES: Chairman Hsu, Committee Member Dustin, Committee Member Wong, Alternate Committee Member Johnson-Brody, Alternate Committee Member Huang. NOES: None.

**2. DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE CASE NO. DRC16-62
1200 OLD MILL ROAD, (SU/ARCHBOX STUDIO)**

Associate Planner Merlo presented the report and stated that staff could not make all of the required findings.

Kaizen Chen, presented the project and was available for questions.

The following people spoke about the project:

Michele Lumley, 420 Pilgrim Place, commented on using the term “pop-up”.

Fran Benuska, 2410 Coniston Place, stated she thought there was a discrepancy between the rendering and actual site conditions.

It was the consensus of the Committee that the second story addition was not well-integrated with the existing house and that the project was not yet ready for approval.

Alternate Committee Member Huang moved to continue the project to the meeting of April 5, 2017. Second by Committee Member Cheng. AYES: Chairman Hsu, Committee Member Cheng, Committee Member Dustin, Committee Member Wong, Alternate Committee Member Huang. NOES: None.

**3. DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE CASE NO. DRC16-95
2763 GAINSBOROUGH DRIVE, (HANSON/HAN)**

Associate Planner Merlo presented the project and stated staff could make all of the required findings.

Freeman Han, contractor, presented the project and answered questions.

The following person spoke about the project:

Angela Chen, 2757 Gainsborough Dr., stated she was concerned with her privacy due to one of the second story windows.

It was the consensus of the Committee that the proposed project was compatible with the neighborhood and with the existing house. Provided that one of the second story windows was modified to protect the neighbors' privacy, they felt the project could meet all required findings.

Committee Member Cheng moved to approve the project subject to the following condition:

1. The south-facing second story bathroom window shall have a top-down operation and frosted glass.

Second by Committee Member Dustin. AYES: Chairman Hsu, Committee Member Cheng, Committee Member Dustin, Committee Member Wong, Alternate Committee Member Huang. NOES: None.

**4. DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE CASE NO. DRC16-30
1541 EUSTON ROAD, (HUANG/DIG INC.)**

Alternate Committee Member Huang recused himself from voting on this item.

Associate Planner Merlo stated that the project did not meet the legal noticing requirements since the public hearing notice sign was not properly displayed. She recommended the DRC continue the project to the meeting of March 1, 2015.

Committee Member Wong moved to continue the project to the meeting of March 1, 2017. Second by Alternate Committee Member Johnson-Brody. AYES: Chairman Hsu, Committee Member Cheng, Committee Member Dustin, Committee Member Wong, Alternate Committee Member Johnson-Brody. NOES: None.

**5. DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE CASE NO. DRC16-98
2340 LORAIN ROAD, (MYINT)**

Associate Planner Merlo presented the project and stated that staff could not make all of the required findings.

Sarah Myint, owner, presented the project.

There were no public comments.

It was the consensus of the Committee that the windows without grids were not compatible with the neighborhood or with the house.

Committee Member Dustin moved to deny the project. Second by Committee Member Cheng. AYES: Chairman Hsu, Committee Member Cheng, Committee Member Dustin, Committee Member Wong, Alternate Committee Member Huang. NOES: None.

OTHER ITEMS

**6. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF APPROVAL OF DRC15-40
555 WINSTON AVENUE, (CHANG)**

Committee Member Cheng moved to extend the approval of the project for one year. Second by Committee Member Wong. AYES: Chairman Hsu, Committee Member Cheng, Committee Member Dustin, Committee Member Wong, Alternate Committee Member Huang. NOES: None.

7. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 21, 2016.

Committee Member Dustin moved to approve the December 21, 2016 minutes. Second by Committee Member Wong. AYES: Chairman Hsu, Committee Member Cheng, Committee Member Dustin, Committee Member Wong, Alternate Committee Member Huang. NOES: None.

OPEN FORUM

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to consider, the DRC adjourned to the next regular Design Review Committee meeting on Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 2200 Huntington Drive, San Marino, CA 91108.



AMANDA MERLO,
ASSOCIATE PLANNER