



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY
UPDATE COMMITTEE REPORT**

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 20, 2019**

The General Plan Update Advisory Committee of the Town of Los Gatos conducted a Regular Meeting on June 20, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Melanie Hanssen, Vice Chair Kathryn Janoff, Vice Mayor Marcia Jensen, Council Member Barbara Spector, Committee Member Jeffrey Barnett, Committee Member Todd Jarvis, Committee Member Steven Piasecki, Committee Member Susan Moore Brown, Committee Member Ryan Rosenberg, and Committee Member Carol Elias Zolla

Absent: Committee Member Kendra Burch and Committee Member Lee Quintana

Staff present: Arn Andrews, Jennifer Armer, Joel Paulson, and Robert Schultz

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee Member Jarvis led the Pledge of Allegiance. The audience was invited to participate.

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

CONSENT ITEMS (TO BE ACTED UPON BY A SINGLE MOTION)

1. Approval of Minutes – December 11, 2018
2. Approval of Minutes – April 23, 2019
3. Approval of Minutes – April 30, 2019
4. Approval of Minutes – May 23, 2019

MOTION: **Motion by Committee Member Rosenberg** to approve Consent Items with corrections to Item 3 and 4. **Seconded by Council Member Spector.**

VOTE: **Motion passed unanimously. Council Member Spector abstained from Item 4.**

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Provide Direction for Draft Land Use Alternatives

Jennifer Armer, Senior Planner, presented the staff report.

Opened and Closed Public Comment.

Committee discussed the following with regard to land use alternatives:

- Suitability of focus areas, and whether more of the Town should be included;
- Possible RHNA and other requirements from the State for new housing;
- Job centers;
- Growth in businesses and vitality;
- Location of unincorporated areas;
- Status of Vasona Light Rail;
- Smaller residential units;
- Reduction in width of Los Gatos Boulevard;
- Protection of hillside property rights;
- Granny units in single-family areas;
- Additional units targeted at youth and aging population;
- Fire safety;
- Consensus to not increase density in hillsides except as allowed with current ADU regulations; and
- Potential for small units in mixed-use developments if increased heights or density is allowed.

Committee reached a consensus that additional density in the hillsides was not desirable, both for the protection of the natural character of the hillsides and as a part of wildfire preparedness.

After further discussion, the Committee requested the following information prior to providing direction on the alternatives report:

- Existing or proposed wildfire legislation and plans;
- Form-Based Zoning;
- Growth statistics and projections;
- Existing land use designation limitations; and
- Example alternatives reports.

Announcements

Committee Member Piasecki announced that Former Cupertino City Manager Dave Knapp passed away.

Council Member Spector announced that Historic Preservation Committee Member Leonard Pacheco recently passed away.

The next GPAC meeting will be on Thursday, July 18, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the June 20, 2019 meeting as approved by the General Plan Update Advisory Committee.

/s/ Joel Paulson, Director of Community Development