



**SPECIAL MEETING  
DESIGN COMMISSION  
Tuesday, January 11, 2022  
4:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS**

Srinivas Rao, Chair, At Large/District 6  
Yolanda Sepulveda, Vice Chair, Rep., Arts & Culture Commission  
Robert Carpenter, At Large/District 1  
Christopher Hawthorne, At Large/District 1  
Jose Noel Toro, At Large/District 5  
Philip Chiao, At Large, District 6  
Stephen Lipira, Rep., Historic Preservation Commission  
Julianna Delgado, Rep., Planning Commission  
Timothy Sales, Rep., Transportation Advisory Commission

**STAFF**

Kevin Johnson, Principal Planner  
Edwar Sissi, Associate Planner  
Michi Takeda, Recording Secretary

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**AGENDA  
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**1. ROLL CALL**

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. NOVEMBER 9, 2021**
- B. NOVEMBER 23, 2021**
- C. DECEMBER 14, 2021**

**3. PRELIMINARY CONSULTATION**

**1501 - 1525 E. WALNUT ST – (COUNCIL DISTRICT 2)**

Demolition of three commercial buildings and new construction of a four-story, 41,756 square foot, 80-unit single-room occupancy building with one additional caretaker's unit (81 units total).

(Case Planner: Edwar Sissi)  
Applicant: 1501 Walnut, LLC – Tajen Lee  
Owner: Lee Family, LLC – Lara Simon  
Architect: Tyler Kelly Architects

**4. MAJOR CHANGE TO APPROVED PROJECT**

**550 – 566 E. COLORADO BLVD – (COUNCIL DISTRICT 7)**

Request to change a previously approved 112,205-square-foot, five-story medical office building to a six-story, 109,231-square-foot, 195-room hotel with 5,000 square feet of retail.

Staff Recommendation:

1. Find that the application for Major Changes to an Approved Project was subject to environmental review in the Addendum to the previously certified FSEIR that was prepared for the subject project and reviewed by the Planning Commission for CUP #5407 (Modification) on October 27, 2021, and that there are no changed circumstances or new information which would require further environmental review.

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2. Approve the application for Major Changes to an Approved Project subject to conditions, to be reviewed and approved by staff prior to issuing building permit.

(Case Planner: Kevin Johnson)  
Applicant: Welcome Pasadena, LLC  
Owner: M&A Gabae and Charles Company  
Architect: WATG

**5. COMMENTS AND REPORTS FROM STAFF**

**6. COMMENTS AND REPORTS FROM COMMISSION**

**7. COMMENTS AND REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

1. Urban Forestry Advisory Committee - (Carpenter)
2. Historic Preservation Commission - (Lipira)
3. Planning Commission - (Delgado)
4. Transportation Advisory Commission - (Sales)
5. Arts & Culture Commission - (Sepulveda)
6. Concept Design Review Application Subcommittee - (Toro, Rao, Sales)
7. Las Encinas Psychiatric Hospital & Barn Subcommittee - (Carpenter, Sales)
8. Olivewood (North and South) Subcommittee - (Chiao, Sales)
9. 1336 E. Colorado Blvd Subcommittee – (Chiao, Carpenter, Sales)
10. 1539 East Howard St. (EF Academy) – (Toro, Chiao, Sales)
11. 139 & 150 S. Oak Knoll Ave Subcommittee (Sepulveda, Delgado)
12. 1200 E. California Blvd Subcommittee (Hawthorne, Delgado, Rao)

**Projects on Hold**

13. 3200 East Foothill Boulevard (SpaceBank) - (Chiao, Carpenter)
14. 130-140 N. Fair Oaks Avenue Subcommittee - (TBD, TBD, TBD)
15. Design Awards Subcommittee – (TBD, TBD)

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

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