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AGENDA

October 1, 2025
Regular Meeting

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS NOW BEING HELD IN-PERSON 3:00pm

BUSINESS MEETING 3:00pm City Hall, Hearing Room 1, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Oakland

Persons wishing to address the Commission on any item on the agenda, including Open Forum and Director's Report, should fill out a speaker card and give it to the Secretary. **Agenda items will be called at the discretion of the Chair not necessarily in the order they are listed on the Agenda.** Speakers are generally limited to two minutes at the discretion of the Chair. Applicants and appellants are generally limited to five minutes at the discretion of the Chair.

The order of items will be determined under Agenda Discussion at the beginning of the meeting. With the exception of Open Forum, a new item will not be called after **7:15pm**, and the meeting will adjourn no later than **7:30pm**, unless the meeting is extended by the Chair with the consent of a majority of Commissioners present.

For further information on any case listed on this agenda, please contact the case planner indicated for that item. For further information on Historic Status, please contact the Oakland Cultural Heritage Survey at 510-238-6879. For other questions or general information on the Oakland City Planning Commission, please contact the Planning and Building Department at 510-238-3941.

♿ This meeting is wheelchair accessible. To request materials in alternative formats, or to request an ASL interpreter, or assistive listening device, please call the Planning and Building Department at 510-238-3941 or TDD 510-238-3254 at least three working days before the meeting. Please refrain from wearing scented products to this meeting so attendees who may experience chemical sensitivities may attend. Thank you.

El lugar de la reunión es accesible en silla de ruedas. Para solicitar materiales en formatos alternativos o solicitar un intérprete de lenguaje de señas o un aparato para escuchar, por favor llame al Departamento de Planificación y Construcción al 510-238-3941 o TDD 510-238-3254 al menos tres días hábiles antes de la reunión. Por favor absténgase de usar perfumes en esta reunión para que las personas sensitivas a perfume puedan asistir.

此會議場地有適合輪椅出入設施。如需要其他格式的會議資料，或ASL手語服務，或助聽器，請於會議至少三 (3) 天以前聯絡規劃及建設局，以便安排服務，電話510-238-3941 或TDD 510-238-3254。請勿塗搽香氛產品，參加者可能對化學成分敏感。多謝。



Please work with the Case Planner listed for each item prior to the meeting regarding items that may be continued. Any agenda item may be continued without the hearing on the matter being opened, or public testimony taken, at the discretion of the Chair. Persons wishing to address the continued item may do so under

Open Forum.

Staff reports are available online, generally by 5:00pm the Friday before the meeting, at www.oaklandca.gov/PlanningCommission. You will need to ensure that your computer will accept pop-ups from the host site (oaklandca.gov) and that your computer has a later version of Adobe Acrobat Reader installed. For further information, please email Haneefah Rasheed at oaklandplanningcommission@oaklandca.gov.

Paper staff reports for items listed on this agenda can be requested with advance notice of three days, and will be made available at the Permit Center, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Oakland, California 94612, at the cost per copy included in the City of Oakland Master Fee Schedule.

If you challenge a Commission decision in court, you will be limited to issues raised at the hearing or in correspondence delivered to the Planning and Building Department, at, or prior to, the hearing. Any party seeking to challenge in court those decisions that are final and not administratively appealable to the City Council must do so within ninety (90) days of the date of the announcement of the final decision, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6, unless a shorter period applies. If you wish to be notified of the decision of any of these cases, please provide the Case Planner with a regular mail or email address.

Please note that the descriptions of the applications found below are preliminary in nature and that the projects and/or descriptions may change prior to a decision being made.

While attending Planning Commission meetings, parking in the Dalziel Building Garage (located on 16th St between San Pablo Ave and Clay St) is free. As of September 2023, parkers will use the [ParkMobile](#) App on a mobile device to manage their parking, and the promotion code for free parking will be provided at the meeting.

Applicants or members of the public who wish to make electronic presentations (e.g., PowerPoint presentations): Please contact Haneefah Rasheed at oaklandplanningcommission@oaklandca.gov or (510) 672-1834 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Interested parties are encouraged to electronically submit written material on agenda items in advance of the meeting and prior to the close of the public hearing on the item directly to the Planning Commission and/or Case Planner. Email addresses for the Commissioners can be found on the Planning Commission webpage on the City of Oakland website:



<https://www.oaklandca.gov/teams/planning-commissioners>. An agenda item Case Planner email address can be found on the item overview within the Agenda.

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

WELCOME BY THE CHAIR

ROLL CALL

COMMISSION BUSINESS

Agenda Discussion

Director's Report

Informational Report

Committee Reports

Commission Matters

City Attorney's Report

OPEN FORUM

At this time members of the public may speak on any item of interest that is not on the Agenda within the Commission's jurisdiction. At the discretion of the Chair, speakers are generally limited to two minutes if there are six or less speakers on an item, and one minute or less if there are more than six speakers.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Commission will take a single roll call vote on all of the items listed below in this section. The vote will be on approval of the staff report and recommendation in each case. Members of the Commission may request that any item on the Consent Calendar be singled out for separate discussion and vote. Before voting on the Consent Calendar, the Commission will allow speakers to speak on any item on the Consent Calendar. At the discretion of the Chair, speakers are generally limited to two minutes if there are six or less speakers, and one minute if there are more than six speakers.

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| #1 | Location: | 292 105th Ave; 296 105th Ave; 300 105th Ave; 302 105th Ave; 304 105th Ave; 305 105th Ave; 306 105th Ave; 309 105th Ave; 310 105th Ave; 311 105th Ave; 311 105th Ave; 324 105th Ave; 328 105th Ave; 330 105th Ave; 331 105th Ave; 336 105th Ave; 335/337 105th Ave; 339 105th Ave; 10070 Bernhardt; 10075 Bernhardt; 10501 Creekside Circle; and 10505 Creekside Circle |
| | Assessor's Parcel Numbers: | 045-5370-43; -44; -45; -46; -47; -48; -49; -50; -51; -52; -53; -54; -55; -56; -57; -58; -59; -60; -61; -62; -63; -64 |
| | Proposal: | Perform a reversion to acreage to reconsolidate 22 parcels into one. |



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| Applicant: | Planting Justice |
| Contact Person/ Phone Number: | Andrew Chahrour / (513) 373-0910 |
| Owner: | Planting Justice |
| Case File Number: | PLN24060 |
| Planning Permits Required: | Tentative Tract Map |
| General Plan: | Detached Residential (RD) |
| Zoning: | Detached Unit Residential (RD) Zone, S-13 Affordable Housing Combining Zone |
| Proposed Environmental Determination: | The proposal is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per the following sections of the State CEQA Guidelines: 15315 – Minor Land Divisions, 15183 – Projects Consistent with a Community Plan or Zoning |
| Historic Status: | D2+; PDHP, Area of Secondary Importance (105 th Ave Mixed 2) |
| City Council District: | 7 |
| Finality of Decision: | Appealable to City Council within 10 days. |
| For Further Information: | Contact Case Planner Kubilay Aaron İnanlı at (510) 238-2074 or by email at kinanli@oaklandca.gov. |

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The hearing provides opportunity for all concerned persons to speak on each item. The hearing will normally be closed after all testimony has been heard. If you challenge a Commission decision in court, you will be limited to issues raised at the public hearing or in correspondence delivered to the Planning and Building Department, at, or prior to, the public hearing.

The Commission will then vote on the matter based on the staff report and recommendation. If the Commission does not follow the staff recommendation and no alternate findings for decision have been prepared, then the vote on the matter will be considered a “straw” vote, which essentially is a non-binding vote directing staff to return to the Commission at a later date with appropriate findings for decision and, as applicable, conditions of approval that the Commission will consider in making a final decision.

If you wish to learn more about the Commission’s decision on a specific agenda item, please contact the Case Planner identified for each item.

Except where noted, once a decision is reached by the Planning Commission on an application, it is appealable to the City Council. **Such appeal must be filed within ten (10) calendar days of the date of decision by the Planning Commission and by 4:00pm** An appeal shall be on a form provided by the **Bureau of Planning – Zoning**, and submitted via email to your Case Planner, the Zoning Manager (Rmerkamp@oaklandca.gov) and the Development Planning Manager (Cpayne@oaklandca.gov). The appeal form is available online at <https://www.oaklandca.gov/documents/appeal-application-form>. The appeal shall state specifically wherein it is claimed there was error or abuse of discretion by the Zoning Manager or decision-making body or wherein the decision is not supported by substantial evidence. Applicable appeal fees in accordance with the City of Oakland Master Fee Schedule must be paid within five business days of filing the appeal. If you are unable to contact the City via email, you must contact the Case Planner by phone **as soon as possible**, but before the appeal deadline, to arrange for an alternate method of submitting your appeal.



Failure to file a timely appeal will preclude you from challenging the City’s decision in court. The appeal itself must raise every issue that is contested along with all the arguments and evidence previously entered into the record during the previously entered into the record during the public notice period and/or during the hearing. Failure to do so will preclude you from raising such issues during the appeal hearing and/or in court.

Any party seeking to challenge a final decision in court must do so within ninety (90) days of the date of the announcement of a final decision, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 1094.6, unless a shorter period applies.

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| #2 | Location: | 1437 23rd Avenue |
| | Assessor’s Parcel Number: | 020 015200200 |
| | Proposal: | Sale of beer at an existing pool hall. |
| | Applicant/Phone Number: | Oscar Cervantes / (510) 472-2044 |
| | Owner: | Daniel Young |
| | Case File Number: | PLN24046 |
| | Planning Permits Required: | Major Conditional Use Permit for the sales of alcohol in the CN-3 Zone; Major Variances for alcohol sales within: 1) 1,000 feet of another alcohol outlet, school, or licensed day care center, and 2) a police beat that exceeds by 20 percent of the average calls for police service beats Citywide during the preceding calendar year. |
| | General Plan: | Neighborhood Center Mixed Use |
| | Zoning: | CN-3, Neighborhood Commercial Zone; S-13, Affordable Housing Combining Zone. |
| | Proposed Environmental Determination: | A denial by the City is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act per State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15270 and Public Resources Code 21080(B)(5) for Projects that a City rejects or disapproves. |
| | Historic Status: | Potential Designated Historic Property; Historic Survey Rating:C2+; Area of Secondary Importance: 23 rd Avenue Commercial |
| | City Council District: | 2 |
| | Finality of Decision: | Appealable to the City Council within 10-days. |
| | For Further Information: | Contact City Case Planner Mike Rivera at (510) 238-6417 or by email at mriviera@oaklandca.gov |

The following item is continued from the September 17, 2025 Planning Commission agenda

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| #3 | Location: | Citywide |
| | Assessor’s Parcel Number(s): | N/A |
| | Proposal: | The City of Oakland is updating its General Plan in two phases. Phase 1 was completed in 2023, and included updates to the Housing Element and Safety Element, and adoption of the City’s first Environmental Justice Element. Phase 2 of the General Plan Update (GPU) will include updates to the Land Use and Transportation Element (LUTE); Estuary Policy Plan (the Land Use Element for much of the land below Interstate 880 along the Oakland Estuary); the Noise Element; and the Open Space, Conservation, and Recreation Element (OSCAR), as well as the creation of a new Infrastructure and Capital Facilities Element. A Racial Equity Impact Analysis (REIA) conducted during the General |



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| | <p>Plan Update process will help ensure that policies, programs, and actions will prioritize historically marginalized communities and maximize equitable outcomes.</p> <p>As part of this process, and based on feedback received from the community, the City has developed overarching strategic approaches, referred to as Options, to guide the City in reaching its long-term stabilization and growth objectives. The City published a report on these Options in a document known as Oakland for All: Options for How We Stabilize and Grow (Options Report) on July 30, 2025. The public review draft of the Options Report is accompanied by a survey and is available for review and feedback between July 30, 2025 to September 24, 2025. The report is available on the Oakland General Plan Update website at: https://www.oaklandca.gov/gpu</p> <p>The Options Report is an important step in the GPU process. It explores big-picture ideas for how Oakland could stabilize and grow over the next 20 years – such as where new homes, jobs, parks, and transportation might go. The Options are shaped by community feedback and priorities gathered throughout Phase 1, initial surveys in Phase 2, and technical research.</p> |
| Applicant: | City of Oakland |
| Contact Person/ Phone Number: | N/A |
| Owner: | N/A |
| Case File Number: | GP21002; GP21002-ER02 |
| Planning Permits Required: | N/A |
| General Plan: | Citywide |
| Zoning: | N/A |
| Proposed Environmental Determination: | An Environmental Impact Report will be prepared as part of the General Plan Update in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). |
| Historic Status: | N/A |
| City Council District: | Citywide |
| Finality of Decision: | No final decisions will be made at this meeting. Planning Commission will receive an informational report on Options Report, receive public comment, and provide feedback to staff on the Options. |
| For Further Information: | <p>Contact Case Planner Lakshmi Rajagopalan at (510) 238-6751 or by email at lrjagopalan@oaklandca.gov</p> <p>Project Email Address: generalplan@oaklandca.gov</p> <p>Project Website: https://www.oaklandca.gov/gpu</p> |

APPEALS

The Commission will take testimony on each appeal. If you challenge a Commission decision in court, you will be limited to issues raised at the public hearing or in correspondence delivered to the Planning and Building



Department, at, or prior to, to the public hearing; provided, however, such issues were previously raised in the appeal itself.

Following testimony, the Commission will vote on the staff report and recommendation. If the Commission reverses/overturns the staff decision and no alternate findings for decisions have been prepared, then the vote on the matter will be considered a “straw” vote, which essentially is a non-binding vote directing staff to return to the Commission at a later date with appropriate findings for decision and, as applicable, conditions of approval that the Commission will consider in making a final decision.

Unless otherwise noted, the decisions in the following matters are final and not administratively appealable. Any party seeking to challenge these decisions in court must do so within ninety (90) days of the date of the announcement of the final decision, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 1094.6, unless a shorter period applies.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes: July 16, 2025

Correspondence

City Council Actions

ADJOURNMENT By **7:30pm** unless a later time is agreed upon by a majority of Commissioners present.

CATHERINE PAYNE
Planning Commission Secretary
Planning and Building Department

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: October 15, 2025