Planning Commission



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: 6/23/2025 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom.us/join – ID# 846 9472 6242 and

City Council Chambers

751 Laurel St., Menlo Park, CA 94025

A. Call To Order

Chair Andrew Ehrich called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Andew Ehrich (Chair), Ross Silverstein (Vice Chair), Katie Behroozi, Linh Dan Do, Jennifer Schindler, Misha Silin

Absent: Katie Ferrick

Staff: Matthew Pruter, Associate Planner; Corinna Sandmeier, Principal Planner; Mariam Sleiman, City Attorney's Office

C. Reports and Announcements

Principal Planner Corinna Sandmeier said the City Council at its June 24, 2025 meeting would review the proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

D. Public Comment

Chair Ehrich opened public comment and closed it as no persons requested to speak.

E. Consent Calendar

E1. Approval of minutes from the June 9, 2025 Planning Commission meeting (Attachment)

Chair Ehrich opened public comment on the Consent Calendar and closed it as no persons requested to speak.

ACTION: Motion and second (Behroozi/Schindler) to approve the Consent Calendar consisting of the minutes from the June 9, 2025 Planning Commission meeting; passes 6-0 with Commissioner Ferrick absent.

F. Regular Business Item

F1. Architectural Control/Stanford University/200 and 300 El Camino Real:

Consider and adopt a resolution to approve an architectural control permit for minor alterations to two existing office buildings at 200-300 El Camino Real, including the installation of metal roll-up gates for two rear-facing underground parking garage entrances at 300 El Camino Real, and the

installation of metal roll-up gates for two rear-facing underground parking garage entrances and a metal gate for one side-facing pedestrian entrance at 200 El Camino Real, in the SP-ECR/D (El Camino Real/Downtown Specific Plan) zoning district, and determine this action is categorically exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301's Class 1 exemption for existing facilities. (Staff Report #25-028-PC)

Associate Planner Matthew Pruter said staff had no additions to the written report.

Michelle Coplan, property manager, spoke on behalf of the project.

Chair Ehrich opened for public comment on the project and closed public comment as no persons requested to speak.

ACTION: Motion and second (Silverstein/Behroozi) to adopt a resolution approving the item as presented; passes 6-0 with Commissioner Ferrick absent.

G. Informational Items

- G1. Future Planning Commission Meeting Schedule
 - Regular Meeting: July 14, 2025

Planner Sandmeier said the agenda for the July 14 meeting had some single family home projects and some smaller commercial projects.

Regular Meeting: July 28, 2025

Planner Sandmeier said the Parkline project was tentatively scheduled for the July 28 agenda.

Commissioner Silverstein said he would be absent from the July 14 meeting. Chair Ehrich noted that Commissioner Ferrick would also be absent from the July 14 meeting.

Chair Ehrich, Vice Chair Silverstein and Commissioner Silin asked additional questions about upcoming projects, including items related to housing, a City Council priority. Planner Sandmeier said it's best not to go into details for projects not on the agenda and that larger projects have project pages that provide information on project components and schedules, available at menlopark.gov/projects. In response to follow-up questions, Mariam Sleiman, City Attorney's Office, reiterated that it's best to be attentive to the Brown Act and not to discuss items not on the agenda.

H. Adjournment

Chair Ehrich adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Staff Liaison: Corinna Sandmeier, Principal Planner

Recording Secretary: Brenda Bennett

Approved by the Planning Commission on September 8, 2025

Middle Plaza – Security Garage Gate Installation

THE TENANTS AT 200 & 300 EL CAMINO REAL HAS SIGNIFICANT SECURITY CONCERNS REGARDING ACCESS TO THEIR PARKING GARAGE LEVELS. THE CITY OF MENLO PARK POLICE HAVE BEEN DISPATCHED SEVERAL TIMES TO ADDRESS LOITERING AND UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS.

STANFORD IS REQUESTING PERMIT APPROVAL TO MOVE FORWARD ON THE INSTALLATION PROJECT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO KEEP THE BUILDING OCCUPANTS SAFE.

Proposed Gate Locations-300 ECR



El Camino Real

Gate #1

The gate will not be visible from El Camino Real



Gate #2

The gate will not be visible from El Camino Real

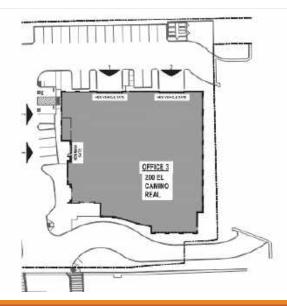


Physical Gate Locations

High speed gates to be installed that will be open during the tenant's business hours.

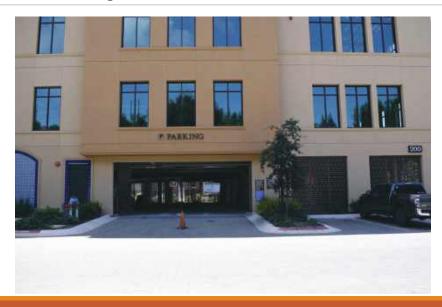


Proposed Gate Locations-200 ECR



Gate #1

The gate will not be visible from El Camino Real



Gate #2

The gate will not be visible from El Camino Real



Main Gate



