



Residential Appeals Committee

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November 16, 2021
SPECIAL Meeting

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3:00 PM

Via: Tele-Conference

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You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: Nov 16, 2021 03:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Topic: November 16, 2021 Residential Appeals Committee

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HOW TO COMMENT ON A PUBLIC MEETING:

Public comments will be taken at the time of the eligible Agenda item.

If you are a Zoom video Conference participant

To comment by Zoom video conference, click the “Raise Your Hand” button to request to speak when Public Comment is being taken on an eligible agenda item. You will then be unmuted during your turn and allowed to provide public comments. After the allotted time, you will then be re-muted. Instructions on how to “Raise Your Hand” are available at: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/205566129> - Raise-Hand-In-Webinar.

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IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER DURING YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

1. **ALL ATTENDEES SHALL BE MUTED UPON ENTRY**
2. Please do not raise your hand if the item currently being heard is not the item you wish to speak on. We will call for public testimony on each item individually. When the item you’re interested in is being called and public speakers are invited to raise their hands, raise yours then and we will call them all in the order they’re raised.
3. You may of course speak on multiple items but your comments during each item must address the item currently under discussion. Speakers attempting to speak about items other than the item currently under consideration will be muted and asked to wait for the item they’re here to speak about to be called.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING

1. Staff reports are available online, generally by 5:00 p.m. the Friday before the meeting, at www.oaklandca.gov (under “Planning Commission.”) 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 Desmona Armstrong at Dramstrong@oaklandca.gov.
2. 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.
3. Applicants or members of the public that plan to make electronic presentations (e.g., PowerPoint presentations): Please contact Desmona Armstrong at Dramstrong@oaklandca.gov at least **48 hours** prior to the meeting. We are unable to accommodate late material, at this time.



ROLL CALL

RAC SECRETARY RULES OF CONDUCT

OPEN FORUM

COMMITTEE MATTERS

NEW BUSINESS

1.	Location:	Vacant lot located between 6326 and 6344 Thornhill Drive
	Proposal:	Appeal of Zoning Manager’s approval of development application to construct a new single-family dwelling with an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) on an existing vacant upsloping lot; and protect existing watercourse
	Appellant:	Jeffrey Kessler (510)339-1701
	Applicant:	Robert Wirth (510)459-1010
	Owner:	Helen Yu
	Case File Number:	PLN15152-A01
	Planning Permits Required:	Appeal of Zoning Manager’s approval of Regular Design Review and CEQA determination, for construction of a new single-family dwelling with an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) on an existing vacant lot and a driveway bridge over an existing creek; and Category 4 Creek Protection Permit to protect existing watercourse.
	General Plan:	Hillside Residential
	Zoning:	RH-4 Hillside Residential
	Environmental Determination:	Categorically Exempt: Section 15303, new construction of small structures; Section 15332 – Infill development projects; and Section 15183 – Projects consistent with a community plan, general plan, or zoning
	Historic Status:	Vacant Lot -X
	City Council district	4
	Status:	Appeal Pending. Application was approved by the Zoning Manager on 9/23/2021.
	Staff Recommendation	Deny appeal and uphold Zoning Manager’s decision
	Finality of Decision:	Final
	For further information:	Contact case planner Maurice Brenyah-Addow at (510) 238-6342 or by email at mbrenyah@oaklandnet.com



ADJOURNMENT

By 5:00 P.M. unless a later time is agreed to by a quorum of the Committee.

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NEXT SPECIAL DRC MEETING:

To Be Determined