

Kentfield Planning Advisory Board

P.O. Box 304, Kentfield, California 94914

Minutes of May 9, 2018

Anne Petersen called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. in the COM Student Center. Other board members also present: Ross McKenna, Neil Park.

Minutes of April 25, 2018. Unanimously approved as submitted.

Lexton Design Review, 30 and 40 Corte Dorado (Weiss)

(Guests: Alexandra Lexton, applicant and owner of 40 Corte Dorado; Maria Dulfu, owner of 30 Corte Dorado; Robert Suttman, architect; Jack Valinoti, GPOA president; David Sternberg, GPOA design review)

This is a proposal to construct two new walls to prevent hillside erosion on a developed lot in Greenbrae: one retaining wall ranging in height from 9.5 feet to 16 feet for 25 feet on the northwest side of 40 Corte Dorado, and one wall ranging in height from 14 feet to 16 feet high located on the west side of both 30 Corte Dorado and 40 Corte Dorado properties. This wall is continuous for 23 feet on 30 Corte Dorado and continues for 37 feet on 40 Corte Dorado and encroaches up to 9 feet into the public right-of-way for 14 feet.

Ms. Lexton has offered to do some planting to help mask the driveway wall which bridges both properties, and also to add color to the concrete. The two property owners are agreed on design of the wall which is partially located on 30 Corte Dorado, and also on plans for some landscaping. GPOA representatives Jack Valinoti and David Sternberg said the homeowners' group has reviewed the project and is in agreement with the plans.

Recommendation. KPAB members unanimously recommend approval of the walls as proposed with these conditions (which have been agreed on by both property owners):

- Coloring added to the concrete
- Planting of vines or some other appropriate vegetation with necessary irrigation atop the driveway wall.

Reports and Other Business. Anne and Neil attended the Board of Supervisors hearing on May 8 at which the BoS certified the Sir Francis Drake Blvd Rehabilitation project final EIR. They raised the issue of replacing landscaping removed or damaged by the project, and also the need for warning lights at Ash Avenue. They noted that the left turn lane reconfiguration proposed for SFD onto College has been deferred for further study. Work will start on the project in spring 2019 and extend into summer 2020, with considerable night work to minimize traffic impacts.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Minutes: Ann Thomas