

Dear Planning Commission:

I strongly support the Planning Commission and Planning Department's efforts to reform the Discretionary Review process.

Under the current DR process, there are too many opportunities for abuses such as frivolous DR hearings that squander time and resources of not only homeowners wanting to improve their homes but also the Planning Commission and Planning Department. The current DR process has been abused often, including for the purpose of extracting personal benefits unrelated to the project itself, so that one has to wonder who it actually serves.

The proposed improvements are well-designed, comprehensive, and will be a benefit to all. The proposed improvements to the Planning Department's internal review will provide a more predictable and consistent process for permitting and will minimize the current arbitrary and political nature of the current DR process.

Enough of the abuse and frivolous DR's.

I urge you to please endorse the Planning Departments recommendation.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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