

Minutes of San Anselmo Planning Commission Meeting, City Hall, June 21, 1948

Meeting called to order at 8: 25 p.m. by Commissioners.

In the absence of Chairman Merrit Webster Commissioner Donald Works presided, who announced that this was a specially scheduled joint meeting of the Commission and the City Council called for the preliminary consideration of rezoning eligible property from first to second residential districts to provide building sites for duplex and four unit family apartments.

Commissioners present: Works, Meyerink, Alfsnes, Carey and Sharp
Commissioner absent: Webster
Councilmen present: Smith, Love, Booth, Allen and Miller
City Clerk: Ray Overdick

On motion of Commissioner Carey, seconded by Commissioner Meyerink reading of minutes of previous meeting were omitted at this time, as the minutes had been read in full at recent council meeting.

Commissioner Sharp stated the Commission had for some time discussed the advisability of rezoning Sir Francis Drake Blvd. from the present Commercial District out to the Fairfax City limits from first to second residential so as to get away from numerous calls for spot zoning and still leave a desirable setback from the front street property line in event of future widening of Sir Francis Drake Blvd.

After a full discussion by all present it was agreed that the Commission should take prompt steps toward initiating a petition for the rezoning of both sides of Sir Francis Drake now in first residential to second residential westerly from the present commercial district of San Anselmo to the Fairfax City limits.

Robert Carey presented to the meeting a request for change in street width plan for a short portion of one street in his new subdivision and at the suggestion of Councilman Love this was to be carried over to meeting of the City Council, June 22. Mayor Smith and Commissioner Sharp stated they had gone over the property and favored granting of the request, providing it met with the approval of City Engineer Al Seimer.

Fred Crisp, representing Elementary Schools resubmitted his request for cooperation in the matter of providing playground facilities for Red Hill School on a portion of the public park grounds adjoining the school so the school district could obtain state aid funds for building an addition to the school. He stated the resolution as recently prepared by City Attorney Meyers would be acceptable.

W. H. Van Dyke, Principal and Edmund J. Thomas, Jr. Trustee of the Tamalpais High School District appeared before the meeting to request cooperation in the matter of working out a plan for joint use of all or a portion of the City Park, adjoining Red Hill School, by High School, Elementary School and public. In exchange for such privilege of use the High School District would go to considerable expense to improve the property and maintain upkeep of same. The schools to have the principal use of the grounds during school hours and part time Saturdays.

After some discussion by both council and commission members it was felt there was possibility of some plan being worked out to the advantage of the schools, sport minded public and tax paying public, and this matter will be given further consideration by the City Council.

Commissioner Sharp and Chief Nello Marcucci, representing the Adjustment Committee presented request of Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Kramer, 25 Fern Lane, Lansdale district for an adjustment to permit of the building of a arbor car port on the westerly side of their portion of Lot 7, unrecorded map Laurel Court. Commissioner Sharp stated he had interviewed adjoining and across the street property owners and found all except one in favor of granting the adjustment, and presented a petition signed by ten names in addition to those of Mrs. and Dr. S. W. Kramer favoring the petition. Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Daveler adjoining on the west objected to the adjustment on the ground that the structure was to close to both the side line and the front property line. As now partly constructed the structure is 2'3" from the Daveler side line on the front corner and 6' on the rear corner or an average of four feet. The front of the carport structure is back 8' from the street curb. The carport is to be 10' x 18' with walls approximately 7'6" (inside measurements) and finished with a flat type roof.

On motion of Commissioner Meyerink, seconded by Commissioner Alfsnes:

"Moved that petition of S. W. Kramer as outlined above be granted"

Secretary Sharp presented petition of Oliver E. Fuller, for rezoning a lot in San Rafael Heights from first residential to Commercial. This lot is located on Greenfield Ave and Sierra and adjoining the abandoned railroad right-of-way.

The Commission set dates for public hearing on this petition as for July 19 and July 26, 1948, City Hall 1, at 8 p.m. and the Secretary was advised to so notify City Clerk Ray Overdick to that lawful notices of the hearing be sent to adjoining property owners as required.

Meeting adjourned, subject to call of the chairman, at 11:05 p.m.

Copy-A. W. Smith
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Secretary.