



**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**CUPERTINO PLANNING COMMISSION**  
Tuesday, March 25, 2025

At 6:45 p.m. Chair Santosh Rao called the Special Planning Commission meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance in the Cupertino Community Hall Council Chamber, 10350 Torre Avenue and via teleconference.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Chair Santosh Rao, Vice Chair Tracy Kosolcharoen, and Commissioners David Fung, Seema Lindskog, and Steven Scharf.

**PLANNING COMMISSION TRAINING**

1. Subject: Planning Commission Training  
Recommended Action: Conduct Planning Commission Training

Assistant Director of Community Development Connolly introduced the speakers: David Early, one of the founders of Placeworks, and Barbara Kautz with Goldfarb & Lipman.

The speakers gave a presentation and provided training.

Commissioners asked questions and made comments on the presentation, which staff and the presenters responded to.

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**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Pamela Hershey, Bill Hershey, Stuart Chessen, Peggy Griffin, and Yoon Choi spoke on behalf of the North Portal neighborhood. The presentation covered the Petition for Preserving the Sound Wall on Auburn Dr. It included the statistics of the population that participated in the petition, background on the Sound Wall and the impact of Wolfe Road Housing and the Rise on Cupertino and their neighborhood. It was emphasized that though their group was not opposed to the projects, they were concerned with traffic and safety, existing alternative connectivity options, parking and overflow issues, preserving neighborhood character, security and privacy, and preserving the covenant designed to mitigate noise and traffic impacts. They requested the city reject any proposal to open the sound wall, to seek alternative solutions, and for the city to provide documentation of the covenant for preserving the sound wall.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:55 p.m., Chair Rao adjourned the Special Planning Commission Meeting.

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