



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 09/01/2020

ITEM NO: 9

ADDENDUM

DATE: August 31, 2020

TO: MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL

FROM: Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Deny an Appeal of a Planning Commission Decision Approving a Request for Demolition of an Existing Single-Family Residence, and Construction of a New Single-Family Residence on Property Zoned R-1:10. Located at 146 Robin Way. APN 532-12-015. Architecture and Site Application S-19-043. Property Owners: Mehrdad and Leila Dehkordi. Applicant: Gary Kohlsaas. Appellant: James Zaky. Project Planner: Diego Mora.

REMARKS:

Attachment 10 contains public comments received between 11:01 a.m., August 27, 2020 and 11:00 a.m. August 31, 2020.

Attachments previously received with the April 2, 2019 Staff Report:

1. July 22, 2020 Planning Commission Staff Report, with Exhibits 1-16
2. July 22, 2020 Planning Commission Verbatim Minutes
3. Appeal of Planning Commission decision, received August 3, 2020
4. Residential Design Guidelines, Chapter 1, Section 1.2. Purpose
5. Draft Resolution to Deny the Appeal and Approve the Project, with Exhibits A and B
6. Draft Resolution to Grant the Appeal and Remand the Project to Planning Commission
7. Draft Resolution to Grant the Appeal and Deny the Project
8. Public Comment received prior to 11:00 a.m., July 2020 that was erroneously not included in the Planning Commission Report
9. Public Comments received between 11:01 a.m., July 22, 2020 and 11:00 a.m. August 27, 2020

PREPARED BY: Diego Mora
Assistant Planner

Reviewed by: Town Manager, Town Attorney, Community Development Department Director, and Planning Manager

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SUBJECT: 146 Robin Way/S-19-043

August 27, 2020

Attachment received with this Addendum:

10. Public Comments received between 11:01 a.m., August 27, 2020 and 11:00 a.m. August 31, 2020

Fwd: Request for your help

garyk@[REDACTED]

Mon 8/31/2020 10:37 AM

To: Diego Mora <DMora@losgatosca.gov>**Cc:** Sally Zarnowitz <SZarnowitz@losgatosca.gov>

Hi Diego,

The Dehkordis received another positive response from a neighbor- see email below from Tolou Khorshid.

Gary Kohlsaad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Leila Bahreinian [REDACTED]**Subject:** Fwd: Request for your help**Date:** August 31, 2020 at 10:30:48 AM PDT**To:** Gary <[REDACTED]>**Cc:** Mehrdad Eslami [REDACTED]

Hi Gary,

We received one more email of support from the neighbor at the end of the cul de sac. If you would, please pass it on to the Town.

Thanks much,
Leila

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Tolou Khorshid [REDACTED]**Date:** Wed, Aug 26, 2020 at 11:53 PM**Subject:** Re: Request for your help**To:** Leila Bahreinian [REDACTED]**Cc:** Wong, Brandon [REDACTED], Mehrdad Eslami [REDACTED]

Hi Leila and Mehrdad,

You have my support in proceeding with your plans. Good luck with the meeting. Hope all goes well and that it's all smooth sailing from here on out.

Best,

Tolou

ATTACHMENT 10

On Thu, Aug 20, 2020 at 9:10 PM Leila Bahreinian [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Tolou and Brandonm

Hope you are all doing well and online schooling is going as smoothly as possible.

As you might know, there will be a Town Council meeting on Sept 1, where our home-rebuild project will be discussed. We are collecting feedback from neighbors to send to the Town. Please note that the project is compliant with all governing codes and has been reviewed and approved by the Design Review Committee of the Town of Los Gatos on June 9th. Again, after it got appealed by one neighbor, the plan was further reviewed and approved by the Planning Commissions of the Town of Los Gatos on July 22nd. After each of the past appeals, in the spirit of harmony and respect, we incurred the cost and made some alterations to the plans hoping to meet the folks halfway, even though the original revisions were fully compliant and approved. But there is one neighbor who was still not satisfied and appealed again. As such, Mehrdad and I are reaching out to our other neighbors and asking them to help us by signing our form, attached.

We would appreciate it if you would review the latest plans at the Town website below, along with the attached letter, and let us know if you had any comments. We are happy to stop by your door to collect your signature/comment if you would be so kind to provide it to us, or we could print your email response instead and attach it in lieu of a signature. Please kindly share your thoughts with us.

<https://www.losgatosca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/23741/Plans---146-Robin-Way->

Much appreciated,
Leila and Mehrdad

Fwd: Request for your help

garyk [REDACTED]

Mon 8/31/2020 10:40 AM

To: Diego Mora <DMora@losgatosca.gov>**Cc:** Sally Zarnowitz <SZarnowitz@losgatosca.gov>

Diego,

In the spirit of full disclosure, here is one more from another neighbor (Marty and Nancy McCormick) that wish to remain neutral.

Gary

Begin forwarded message:

From: Leila Bahreinian [REDACTED]**Subject:** Fwd: Request for your help**Date:** August 31, 2020 at 10:36:13 AM PDT**To:** Gary [REDACTED]**Cc:** Mehrdad Eslami [REDACTED]

Hi Gary,

In order to be thorough, one more neighbor, to the south of Zakis, replied too expressing that they would remain neutral.

Thanks,

Leila

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Nancy McCormick [REDACTED]**Date:** Tue, Aug 25, 2020 at 9:42 AM**Subject:** Re: Request for your help**To:** Leila Bahreinian [REDACTED]

Leila,

We received your message and we understand the issues you are facing in attempting to secure approval for the construction of your home on Robin Way.

At this time Marty and I wish to remain neutral regarding our position.

Wishing you resolution,

Nancy

Nancy McCormick

On Aug 20, 2020, at 9:12 PM, Leila Bahreinian [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Nancy and Marty,

Hope you are all doing well!

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Much appreciated,
Leila and Mehrdad

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