

AGENDA

City of Plymouth

PLANNING COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2022
6:30 P.M.



9426 Main Street, Plymouth, California

William (Bill) Klaproth, Chair

Melvin Cossairt, Commissioner
Stephanie Moreno, Commissioner

Amy Gomes, Commissioner
Michael Sullivan, Vice-Chair

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Plymouth City Hall - 9426 Main Street Plymouth, California

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING IN-PERSON OR VIA ZOOM

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1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:

- Roll Call
- Flag Salute

2. APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 3, 2022

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

In accordance with California Government Code Section 54954.3, the public may address the Planning Commission on any item concerning subject matter that is within the Planning Commission's jurisdiction. However, no action may be taken on items not posted on the agenda, other than to briefly respond, refer to staff, or to direct that an item be placed on a future agenda.

4. PRESENTATIONS:

**4.1 PRESENTATION BY SAM SHERMAN, CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS) DISTRICT 10
“CAL TRANS CLEAN CALIFORNIA BEAUTIFICATION PLYMOUTH PROJECT – WALKING TRAIL”**

4.2 PRESENTATION BY BARBARA MCPHAIL ON HOW PLYMOUTH CAN BECOME A FIREWISE COMMUNITY

5. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are to be considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is required, that particular item will be removed from the consent calendar and will be considered separately.

5.1 APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 17, 2022

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

8. NEW BUSINESS

None

9. REPORTS

- Commission
- Chairperson
- Planning Director
- City Staff

10. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled Planning Commission Meeting date is November 17, 2022. The meeting will begin at 6:30 PM.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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I, Dana Knight, Planning Commission Secretary for the City of Plymouth, declare that the foregoing agenda for the November 3, 2022 Regular Meeting of the Plymouth Planning Commission was posted and available for review on October 31, 2022 at the City Hall of the City of Plymouth, 9426 Main Street, Plymouth, California, 95669. The agenda is also available on the city website at www.cityofplymouth.org.

Signed October 31, 2022 at Plymouth, California

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Dana Knight
Planning Commission Secretary

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www.firewise.org

NWCG Wildland/Urban
Interface Working Team

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Bureau of Land Management
US Fish & Wildlife Service
National Park Service

Federal Emergency
Management Agency

International Association of
Fire Chiefs

National Emergency
Management Association

National Fire
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NATIONAL FIREWISE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM *Where You Live. How You Live.*

Overview

Over the past century, America's population has nearly tripled, with much of the growth flowing into traditionally natural areas. This trend has created an extremely complex landscape that has come to be known as the wildland/urban interface. Encroaching development into forests, grasslands, and farms has put lives, property, and natural resources at risk from wildfire.

Unfortunately, once a wildfire ignites, firefighters are limited in what they can do to protect the values in its path. The National Firewise Communities Program is a national interagency program that encourages partnerships among communities, homeowners, private industry, tribes, and public agencies and officials to develop and implement local solutions for wildfire preparedness – before a fire starts.

Wildfires are a natural process. It is the vision of Firewise Communities that, with adequate planning and cooperation among varying interests, wildfires can occur without disastrous loss of life, property, and resources. To that end, the National Firewise Communities Program provides a number of wildland/urban interface resources for firefighter safety, community planning, landscaping, construction, and maintenance to help protect people, property, and natural resources from wildland fire.

Firewise Approach

The best approach to wildfire preparedness involves utilizing the wide range of Firewise practices. The National Firewise Communities Program offers a series of practical steps (landscaping, home construction and design, community planning, etc.) that individuals and communities can take to reduce their vulnerability to wildfire. Using at least one element recommended by the National Firewise Communities Program and adding other elements over time will begin to protect against the risk of fire in the wildland/urban interface.

Examples of Firewise techniques for property owners include creating a defensible space around residential structures by thinning trees and brush; choosing fire-resistant plants; selecting ignition-resistant building materials; positioning structures away from slopes; and working with firefighters to develop emergency plans.

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Sponsors

The Firewise Communities program is part of the National Wildland/Urban Interface Fire Program, which is directed and sponsored by the National Wildfire Coordinating Group's Wildland/Urban Interface Working Team (WUIWT), a consortium of wildland fire organizations and federal agencies responsible for wildland fire management in the United States. The WUIWT includes:

- USDA Forest Service
- USDI Bureau of Indian Affairs
- USDI Bureau of Land Management
- USDI Fish & Wildlife Service
- USDI National Park Service
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- International Association of Fire Chiefs
- National Association of State Fire Marshals
- State Forestry Organizations
- National Emergency Management Association
- National Fire Protection Association

Programs

The Firewise Communities program provides a number of wildland/urban interface resources for firefighter safety, community planning, landscaping, construction, and maintenance.

- **Firewise Web Site:** www.firewise.org
The Firewise Web site provides educational information about wildland/urban interface fire to homeowners and agency fire staff. The interactive site features a wealth of information on how to mitigate wildfire risks at the homeowner and community levels. Web site visitors can view streaming video; download documents; browse an extensive list of helpful links; and use a searchable library of national, state, and local documents on a wide range of wildfire safety issues.
- **Firewise Communities/USA® Recognition Program**
To facilitate local solutions to wildfire preparedness goals, the Firewise Communities/USA program recognizes communities for working together to protect residents and property from fire in the wildland/urban interface. To be recognized as a Firewise Communities/USA site, local communities must create and implement a local plan with cooperative assistance from state forestry agencies and local fire staff. In addition, communities are required to continue regular maintenance and education to retain recognition status.
- **Firewise Communities Workshops**
The National Firewise Communities Program supports regional and local organizations interested in hosting Firewise workshops using materials supplied by the national program. Firewise Communities workshops prepare community leaders and fire service professionals to recognize wildland/urban interface fire hazards, make homes and landscapes Firewise, deliver fire education to residents, and incorporate Firewise planning into existing and developing areas of communities. These dynamic workshops can feature interactive discussions, mapping, and wildfire simulations. Firewise workshops are most successful when they are attended by a variety of community representatives, such as planners, business leaders, homeowner association members and emergency service professionals.

- ***Firewise Information Resources***

The National Firewise Communities Program is continuously developing informational materials to help community organizations understand and address wildland/urban interface issues. The Web-based Firewise Communities materials catalog provides more than 30 audiovisual and print materials for agencies, firefighters, homeowners, such as instructional videos, home construction checklists, mini-documentaries, CD-ROMs, school education projects, and more.

- ***Firewise Training and Education Resources***

A national education conference on wildland/urban interface fire, “Backyards and Beyond” is held every two years to bring together community decision-makers, residents, and professionals in fields as diverse as landscape architecture, insurance, forestry and emergency management. The 2006 conference will be held in Denver, Colorado from November 2-4. Courses on wildfire risk assessment for homes and communities are also provided periodically. The Firewise Learning Center at www.firewise.org provides a virtual classroom for courses on a number of topics.

- ***Firewise Community Support Resources***

The National Firewise Communities Program staff provides assistance and advice to communities engaged in planning and mitigation of wildland/urban interface fire hazards. In cooperation with state and federal partners, staff provides support to communities and their advocates by helping to identify local needs and integrate Firewise concepts into local comprehensive plans and multi-hazard mitigation plans; helping to connect communities with appropriate tools, techniques and technologies to further their Firewise activities.

History of Firewise

After the catastrophic fire season of 1985, representatives of NFPA and the USDA Forest Service met to discuss the increasing trend of wind-driven fire in populated areas, and formed what is now the National Wildland/Urban Interface Fire Program. In 1992, the advisory group for the program adopted the term “Firewise” to describe the state of being knowledgeable and prepared for wildfire in residential or urban settings. In 1999 the advisory group became the Wildland/Urban Interface (WUI) Working Team of the National Wildfire Coordinating Group, which oversees the National Wildland/Urban Interface Fire Program and its Firewise Communities program. The Firewise Web site launched in 1996, and the national workshop series began in 1999. Today, the Firewise Communities team continues its mission of wildland/urban interface fire education through its Web site, workshop series, community recognition program, and information resources.

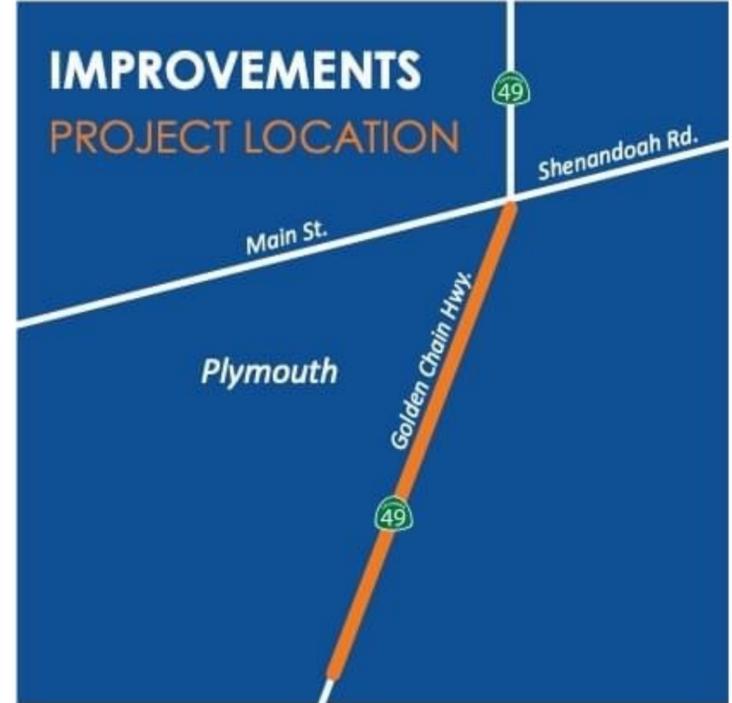
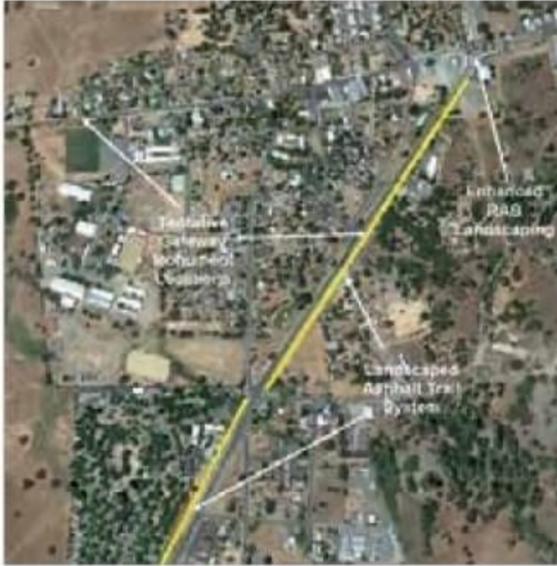
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CLEAN CALIFORNIA

Plymouth RAB Enhancement, Gateway & Trails Project At-A-Glance



PROJECT OVERVIEW

It is proposed to implement a project to install some unique community gateway monuments, create a landscaped trail system along SR 49 and add landscaped and transportation art elements to the existing roundabout located at the intersection of SR 49/Main Street in Plymouth, CA (originally named Pokerville). The community will be engaged to help develop these concepts and features of these long-desired community identifiers.

The project team partnered with the Town of Plymouth representatives to develop the project scope and intend to continue this partnership to help facilitate the community engagement plan, develop the project design and implement the project.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

CCEP Approval:	11/30/2021
CC-SDR Approval (including ED)	7/29/2022
R/W Certification	1/2/2023
Ready to List (RTL)	1/3/2023
Advertise	2/14/2023
Award	3/31/2023
Construction Complete	11/30/2023
Construction Contract Acceptance (CCA)	11/30/2023
End Project	5/30/2024

AT-A-GLANCE

OVERALL TOTAL ESTIMATED COST \$1,135,000

FUNDING SOURCE BREAKDOWN Clean California

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Vacant Seat

1. ROLL CALL:

Planning Commissioners Present:

Bill Klapproth, Michael Sullivan

Planning Commissioners

Via Teleconference:

Stephanie Moreno

Planning Commissioners Absent:

Mel Cossairt (See Below)

Staff/Advisory Present:

Planning Director, Erin Ventura

Planning Commission Secretary, Dana Knight

****Commissioner Cossairt joined the meeting at 6:33***

2. APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 17, 2022

Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda for February 17, 2022 by Vice-Chair Sullivan, second by Commissioner Moreno. Motion passed by roll call vote with 4 Yes votes by Cossairt, Klapproth, Moreno, and Sullivan; and with 0 No votes and 0 Abstain votes. With 0 Commissioners Absent.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

4. PRESENTATIONS - None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

5.1 APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2022

Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda Minutes of January 20, 2022 as amended by Commissioner Moreno, second by Vice-Chair Sullivan. Motion passed by roll call vote with 4 Yes votes by Cossairt, Klapproth, Moreno, and Sullivan; and with 0 No votes and 0 Abstain votes. With 0 Commissioners Absent.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

6.1 ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-02 OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH RECOMMENDING THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE AMENDING THE GENERAL PLAN LAND USE DESIGNATION AND REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 18725 HIGHWAY 49 (APN 010-062-001 AND 010-062-002)

RECOMMENDATION: Hold Public Hearing, receive public testimony, review, discuss, and Adopt Resolution 2022-02

SPOKE: Lance Jagers, managing partner and the applicant, offered to answer any questions. Stated that he does not intend to develop this property, but rather sell it because of circumstances that have developed since purchasing the property.

SPOKE: Jaime Lubenko of Prospect Cellars stated that the audience cannot see the screen that the maps are being presented on.

SPOKE: Chantal Crawley stated that she purchased the Ming Building and wanted to see how the process goes to rezone a property, because she will be applying to rezone the property in the future.

Planning Director Ventura gave a presentation and answered Planning Commission and the publics questions.

Chair Klapproth closed the Public Hearing and called for a Motion

Motion to adopt Resolution 2022-02 of the Planning Commission of the City of Plymouth recommending the City Council approve amending the General Plan Land Use Designation and rezone properties located at 18725 Highway 49 (APN 010-062-001 and 010-062-002) by Commissioner Cossairt, second by Chair Klaproth. Motion failed by roll call vote with 2 Yes votes by Cossairt, and Klaproth; and with 2 No votes by Moreno and Sullivan and 0 Abstain votes. With 0 Commissioners Absent.

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

8. **NEW BUSINESS** – None

9. **REPORTS**

Commission –

*Vice-Chair Sullivan asked that we project slides on the wall during presentations for better visibility to people attending the meetings. He also thanked everyone for their work and input on the Public Hearing.

*Commissioner Moreno also thanked the staff and the public for participating in the Public Hearing.

*Commissioner Cossairt would like a Planning Commission Member Registry and he inquired about where we are in the appointment process for a new Planning Commissioner. Planning Director Ventura explained that we had to re-notice the position and are in the process of getting interested candidates for Council Member Amoruso to choose from.

Chairperson –

*Chair Klaproth thanked the Plymouth Ambassadors that spent their valuable time today cleaning up property along Highway 49 near the area where tonight's public hearing discussion is located.

Planning Director - None

City Staff - None

10. **ADJOURNMENT: 7:30 PM**

The next regularly scheduled Planning Commission Meeting date is March 3, 2022. The meeting will begin at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dana Knight
Planning Commission Secretary

