

City of



Rancho Palos Verdes
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
PLANNING DIVISION

September 21, 2023

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Rancho Palos Verdes will conduct a continued public hearing on October 24, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting will take place in accordance with Government Code § 549539(e) et seq (AB 361) and pursuant to Resolution No. 2022-58, adopted by the City Council on October 18, 2022, and as renewed by subsequent resolution(s) thereafter. The regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be conducted through a hybrid combination of in-person and/or all virtual attendance of the Planning Commission and invited staff at Hesse Park, McTaggart Hall, 29301 Hawthorne Boulevard and via teleconference using the Zoom platform and broadcast live on the City's website at rpvca.gov/agendas and on PVPtv channels Cox 35 and Frontier FiOS 39. The Planning Commission will consider the following proposed project:

HEIGHT VARIATION PERMIT AND SITE PLAN REVIEW (CASE NO. PLHV2022-0016) – A request for the following improvements:

- Construct a 216 ft² first-floor addition and 726 ft² second-floor addition to an existing 3,608 ft² two-story residence for a new total structure size of 4,511 ft² (garage included); and,
- Construction of ancillary improvements including a new 120 ft² balcony along the rear façade of the residence and the enlargement of an existing 85 ft² front balcony by 38 ft² for a total of 123 ft².

The proposed project will measure 20.79 feet, as measured from the lowest finished grade covered by structure (elev. 503.57 feet) to the highest roof ridgeline (elev. 524.36 feet); and a height of 20.22 feet as measured from the highest elevation of the existing grade covered by the structure (504.14 feet) to the highest roof ridgeline (elev. 524.36 feet).

LOCATION: 30944 Rue De La Pierre

APPLICANT/ LANDOWNER: Jinbo Chen

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act, Section 15301 (Existing Facilities).

The Height Variation procedure is for the construction of additions to existing residential structures taller than 16 feet, but not to exceed the maximum height of 26 feet when measured as defined in Section 17.020.040 of the Municipal Code (as amended by Proposition M). The City's primary concerns in reviewing a Height Variation are the impact of the structure on the views from neighboring properties and from public areas, its cumulative impact on the affected properties, and compatibility of the proposed structure with existing surrounding uses (see Municipal Code Section 17.02.040). RPVMC Section 17.02.030.B requires a finding of "Neighborhood Compatibility" for the proposed first and second story additions. In making such a finding, the City

will review the proposed project relative to the following criteria for the immediate neighborhood: 1) scale of surrounding residences; 2) architectural style and materials; and 3) front, side, and rear yard setbacks.

The reason you are receiving this notice is because your property is located within 500 feet of the proposed project. A temporary frame structure (silhouette) has been constructed on the project site outlining the height and bulk of the proposed project. This frame will be in place throughout the duration of the public comment period to better assist you and the City in assessing any potential project impacts.

If you have any comments or concerns about the proposed project, please communicate those thoughts in writing to Associate Planner, Steven Giang, via e-mail at sgiang@rpvca.gov by noon on Tuesday, October 17, 2023. By doing so, you will ensure that your comments are included in the Staff Report. Written comments submitted after noon, on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, will be given to the Planning Commission on the night of the meeting. Please note that written materials, including emails, submitted to the City are public records and may be posted on the City's website. Accordingly, you may wish to omit personal information from your written materials as it may become part of the public record. In addition, this virtual City meeting will be televised and can be accessed through the City's website.

If you would like the opportunity to review the application package and the proposed plans, they are on file in the Community Development Department at 30940 Hawthorne Boulevard, Rancho Palos Verdes, and are available for review by appointment from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday.

The final staff report will be available on the City's website, <https://ca-ranchopalosverdes2.civicplus.com/772/City-Meeting-Video-and-Agendas>, on Thursday, October 19, 2023 under Planning Commission Agenda.

If you have any questions regarding this application or to view the project plans, please contact Steven Giang at (310) 544-5222 or via email at sgiang@rpvca.gov.



Octavio Silva
Interim Director of Community Development

NOTE: STATE GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65009 NOTICE: If you challenge this application in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised in written correspondence delivered to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes during the public review period described in this notice.

PLEASE PUBLISH IN THE PENINSULA NEWS ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2023.