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**HAYWARD PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS TO START AT 7:00 PM,
EFFECTIVE APRIL 8, 2010**

Effective April 8, 2010, the Hayward Planning Commission is changing the starting time of Planning Commission meetings from 7:30 pm to 7:00 pm; and they are combining work sessions with the regular Planning Commission meetings. The Planning Commission is taking this action for two reasons: one, to increase the transparency of work sessions; and two, to foster greater participation in discussion and debate by the community.

By moving the work sessions to the Council Chambers, work sessions can be televised and streamed over the internet just as Planning Commission meetings are. Also, this change will be consistent with the changes that were made for City Council meetings.

The Planning Commission took this action at the Hayward Planning Commission meeting of March 11, 2010, by unanimous vote, which adjusts the start time of Hayward Planning Commission meetings to 7:00 pm, effective April 8, 2010. Hayward residents and businesses have the option of being added to an email distribution list to receive agendas on a regular basis by sending a request to planning.division@hayward-ca.gov.

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