



**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2009**

**6:00 P.M. - SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
Community Meeting Chambers, Los Altos City Hall  
One North San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California

**NOTE TO PUBLIC**

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**ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Members of the audience may bring to the Council's attention any item that is not on the agenda. Please complete a "Request to Speak" form and submit it to the City Clerk. Speakers are generally given two or three minutes, at the discretion of the Mayor. State law prohibits the Council from acting on items that do not appear on the agenda.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

These items will be considered by one motion unless any member of the Council or audience wishes to remove an item for discussion. Any item removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion will be handled at the discretion of the Mayor.

1. Council Minutes  
Approval of minutes – regular meeting of January 27, 2009
2. Traffic Signal & Street Light Painting  
Recommendation to reject all bids for the Traffic Signal & Street Light Painting, Projects 09-12 & 09-13 and re-advertise with revised specification
3. Underground Teen Center Revitalization Project Timeline  
Recommendation to accept the Underground Teen Center Revitalization Project Timeline
4. Commission Reappointments  
Recommendation to appoint commissioners to 4-year terms expiring in February 2013
5. Redwood Grove/Nature Center Capital Improvement Project (CIP)  
Recommendation to establish a CIP for Redwood Grove/Nature Center at \$356,000 within the FY 2008-09 plan and appropriate \$98,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund at this time
6. Los Altos Avenue Bicycle Lanes Project  
Recommendation to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Ruark & Associates for an amount not to exceed \$15,725 for design and construction support services

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

7. Community Development Block Grant Funds  
Recommendation to hold the first of two required public hearings to establish a tentative Community Development Block Grant funding program

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

8. Community Center Master Plan  
Consideration of Community Center Master Plan scenarios including:
  - A. Overview of progress to date
  - B. Overview of three draft scenarios and opportunities and challenges of each;
  - C. Cost Modeling Analysis Review; and
  - D. Direction for Scenario Development

## **COUNCIL REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

<b>COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES</b>
ENVIRONMENTAL: Ann Coombs
FINANCIAL:
HISTORICAL: Justin Drewes
LIBRARY:
PLANNING: Bill Bocook
PARKS, ARTS & REC: Lynette Lee Eng
TRAFFIC: Michael Gallagher
YOUTH: Scott Casas

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If you challenge any planning or land use decision made at this meeting in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing held at this meeting, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing. Please take notice that the time within which to seek judicial review of any final administrative determination reached at this meeting is governed by Section 1094.6 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS,  
HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2009, AT 6:00 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE  
NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA**

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Satterlee, Councilmembers Packard, Becker and Carpenter  
ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Casas

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Satterlee led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Kurt Ayers, Los Altos resident, requested additional funding for traffic enforcement in Los Altos.

Jitze Couperus, Los Altos Hills resident, announced the completion of the Adobe Creek Upper Reach Five Project.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

On a motion by Councilmember Carpenter, seconded by Councilmember Becker, and passed unanimously, the following items were approved:

1. Council Minutes  
Approved the minutes of the regular meeting of January 27, 2009
2. Traffic Signal & Street Light Painting  
Rejected all bids for the Traffic Signal & Street Light Painting, Projects 09-12 & 09-13 and directed staff to re-advertise with revised specifications
3. Underground Teen Center Revitalization Project Timeline  
Accepted the Underground Teen Center Revitalization Project Timeline
4. Commission Reappointments  
Reappointed Environmental Commissioner DeMichiel, Historical Commissioner Loney, Library Commissioners Poulos, Smith and Tucker, and Parks, Arts and Recreation Commissioners Bautista, Greguras and Williams to 4-year terms expiring in February 2013
5. Redwood Grove/Nature Center Capital Improvement Project (CIP)  
Established a CIP for Redwood Grove/Nature Center at \$356,000 within the FY 2008-09 plan and appropriate \$98,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund at this time
6. Los Altos Avenue Bicycle Lanes Project  
Authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement with Ruark & Associates for an amount not to exceed \$15,725 for design and construction support services

**PUBLIC HEARING**

7. Community Development Block Grant Funds  
Assistant City Manager Walgren summarized the recommended allocations and noted that one applicant was not recommended because an aspect of their reporting does not meet the county's criteria.

Mayor Satterlee opened the public hearing and the following offered comments:

Maureen Wadiak, representing Community Services Agency  
David Duram, representing Support Network for Battered Women  
Jennifer Burkett, representing Long Term Care Ombudsman

Mayor Satterlee closed the public hearing and invited additional speakers to attend the second public hearing on March 10, 2009.

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. Community Center Master Plan

Councilmember Packard recused himself due to a financial interest he holds in property within 500 feet.

Assistant City Manager Walgren presented a brief report.

Pamela Anderson Brule' and Monique Wood, architectural consultants, opened the presentation with an overview of the progress to date, a scenario overview, moved to specific details for each of the three scenarios, reviewed fourteen design drivers, cost modeling and concluded with general comments.

The following residents offered comments:

Judith Suelzle	Scott Burke
King Lear, representing the Neutra House	Susan Russell, League of Women Voters
John Day, representing pool interests	Michele Costello
Lenelle Smith, Library Commissioner	Bill Maston
Linda Curtis	John Crawford
Dick Thomas	Jane Cordera
Stu Elefant	Francine Miltenberger
Mark Walden	Kirk Millet
James Brewer	Paul Kelleher
Karen Janowski	Ameeta Mukherjee
Melinda Hom	Iris Pritchard
Heidi Mitchell	Carol Kuiper
Jennifer Wayman, Children's Corner	Dale Scott
Gini Brown, Children's Corner	Kathy Feroglia
Suzanne Corkins	Maria Bautista
Hilary Valdez	Gavin Duffy
Tom Sutherland	Shannon Kilgore
Barbara Long	

At this juncture, Mayor Satterlee recessed the meeting for 10 minutes and then reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

The consultants responded to questions posed by Council relative to phasing, location of components of the site, maximizing the use of available acreage and moving some programs to alternative sites. Council focused their discussion on building on the preferred scenario 3, being sensitive to the potential traffic, noise and luminary impacts on adjacent residents.

Council took the following actions relative to the development of Scenario No. 3:

1. Motion by Councilmember Carpenter, seconded by Councilmember Becker, to include two pools and a water play feature on the site. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Carpenter to exclude a skate park from the site. The motion carried unanimously.
3. Motion by Councilmember Becker, seconded by Councilmember Carpenter, to direct the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission to investigate alternative locations for a skate park. The motion carried unanimously.
4. Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Carpenter, to leave the baseball field at its current location. The motion carried unanimously.  
(This motion was overturned later in the meeting; see motion number 8.)
5. Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Carpenter, to leave the soccer field as shown on scenario 3, with some flexibility. The motion carried 2-1, with Councilmember Becker dissenting.
6. Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Becker, to leave the Neutra House at its existing location. The motion carried unanimously.
7. Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Becker, that it is highly desirable to have some parking adjacent to the Neutra House. The motion carried unanimously.
8. Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Becker, to leave the 95 parking spaces, that are located at the current baseball field location, locate the baseball field on Hillview Avenue, with flexibility, as shown on scenario no. 3. This action nullifies action number 4.
9. Motion by Councilmember Becker, seconded by Councilmember Carpenter, to show the placement of the theater as a dotted line to indicate possible location on scenario 3, and direct the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission to consider putting the theater at Village Park. The motion carried unanimously.
10. Motion by Councilmember Carpenter, seconded by Mayor Satterlee, that the architects may use their discretion on placement of elements along Hillview Avenue. The motion carried unanimously.
11. Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Carpenter, to accept the parking assumptions presented by the architects. The motion carried unanimously.
12. Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Becker, to maintain all surface parking. The motion carried unanimously.
13. Motion by Councilmember Carpenter to maintain a half-acre area for an orchard, noting that apricot trees are preferred, and other flowering trees, along San Antonio Road and the entryway into the site. The motion carried unanimously.
14. Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Becker, to limit the number of driveways on Hillview Avenue to two. The motion carried unanimously.
15. Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Carpenter, that the bocce courts be located adjacent to the senior lounge area. The motion carried unanimously.
16. Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Carpenter, to have flexibility to examine basement schemes. The motion carried unanimously.

17. Motion by Councilmember Carpenter, seconded by Councilmember Becker, that scenario 3 is preferred. The motion carried unanimously.

Council discussed the library and agreed that the decision for either a new or remodeled building lies with the Library and that either scheme can fit in the preferred scenario. They briefly discussed options for Children's Corner.

Pamela Anderson, project architect, noted the next steps and upcoming meeting schedules. There was interest in holding additional community outreach meetings prior to Council taking action on April 28, 2009.

Council direction was given for the Master Plan Advisory Committee to develop an outreach plan and report back to Council by March 24, 2009.

Councilmember Packard returned to the dais.

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Mayor Satterlee reported that at the December 9, 2008 closed session, Council formed a subcommittee to study the records related to the purchase of the Los Altos sewer treatment site. The subcommittee included Mayor Satterlee and Councilmember Packard.

City Manager Schmitz reported that the bridge behind West Valley Elementary School is finished and open. He suggested that in addition to the Parks, Art and Recreation Commission, the Youth Commission also consider locations for the skate park. Council concurred.

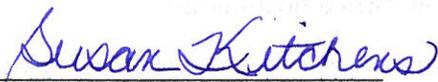
Councilmember Becker reported on a Water Board meeting where potential water rationing was discussed. He requested an agenda item to discuss a joint use agreement for community facilities with Los Altos Hills. Councilmember Carpenter agreed to support pending a letter of interest from Los Altos Hills.

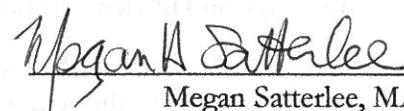
Councilmember Carpenter requested an agenda item for discussion regarding the Halsey House, located at 284 University Avenue, at either the joint City Council-Historical Commission meeting or the regular Council meeting on February 24, 2009. Councilmember Packard supported. She requested a meeting with the Master Plan Finance subcommittee. In conclusion, she requested that council discuss options for Children's Corner. Councilmember Becker supported.

Councilmember Packard distributed the "Report of Findings on the Source of Funds to Acquire Sewer Plant Site" and requested to agendaize the matter to be heard at two council meetings to discuss subcommittee report for February 24, 2009 to hear public comment and to hear additional comment and take action on March 10, 2009. Mayor Satterlee and Councilmember Carpenter supported.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Satterlee adjourned the meeting at 10:12 p.m.

  
Susan Kitchens, CITY CLERK

  
Megan Satterlee, MAYOR