



TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2008

4:00 P.M. - COUNCIL STUDY SESSION

Council Chamber, Los Altos City Hall
One North San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California

1. Civic Center Master Plan

7:00 P.M. - REGULAR 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

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Proclamation Honoring Volunteers Enriching Government Action (VEGA)

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.

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1. Council Minutes
Approval of minutes – regular meeting of May 27, 2008
2. Proposed Changes to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices re: Speed Limits
Report on the proposed change to thresholds for setting speed limits on local streets

3. Participation in the Urban County CDBG Program
Recommendation to adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Joint Powers Agreement for continued participation in the Urban County Community Development Block Grant program for the period of October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2011
4. Appointment to the Master Plan Advisory Committee
Recommendation to appoint a Los Altos High School Senior to the Master Plan Advisory Committee
5. Solid Waste Rates
Recommendation to adopt a resolution setting rates and implementing a 16.46% increase in solid waste collection rates effective July 1, 2008
6. Demolition of City Owned Structures at 400 Main Street
Recommendation to:
 - A. Demolish Structures at 400 Main Street” for FY 2008-2009 and appropriate \$288,000 from the Capital Projects unreserved fund balance; and
 - B. Authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment to the agreement with Grossmann Design Group to prepare plans and specifications for the demolition of City owned structures at 400 Main Street.
7. Maintenance Services Department Vehicle Purchases
Recommendation to authorize the purchase of the three vehicles from Downtown Ford (Sacramento) utilizing State of California Bid #1-08-23-20 for a total cost of \$69,988
8. Los Altos Sister Cities Fingerpost
Recommendation to approve the design and location
9. Subcommittee Report
Report on the Los Altos City Council/Los Altos School Board meeting held on May 28, 2008

DISCUSSION ITEMS

10. Three-lot Subdivision Tentative Map Application for 233 West Edith Avenue
(continued from May 27, 2008)
 - A. Adopt an environmental Negative Declaration; and
 - B. Approve Subdivision application 07-DL-03 subject to findings and conditions

COUNCIL REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES:

HISTORICAL:	John Hamblin
PLANNING:	Phoebe Bressack
PARKS, ARTS & REC:	Larry Baron
TRAFFIC:	Michael Gallagher
YOUTH:	Max Colehower

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City will make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. If you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk 72 hours prior to the meeting at (650) 947-2720.

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 REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 10 2008, AT 7:00 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Scout from Brownie Troop 60445 presented the flag and led the pledge of allegiance.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Mayor Carpenter read and presented a proclamation honoring the Volunteers Enriching Government Action (VEGA) program to Phyllis Semple, who is the VEGA program manager and also the City's first VEGA volunteer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Christopher Nicholson, Los Altos resident, commented on biased and harassing language he had overheard in a downtown business.

CONSENT CALENDAR

On a MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER CASAS, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BECKER AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, the following items were approved:

1. Council Minutes
Approved the minutes of the regular meeting of May 27, 2008
2. Proposed Changes to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices re: Speed Limits
Accepted a report on the proposed change to thresholds for setting speed limits on local streets
3. Participation in the Urban County CDBG Program
Adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Joint Powers Agreement for continued participation in the Urban County Community Development Block Grant program for the period of October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2011
4. Appointment to the Master Plan Advisory Committee
Appoint Los Altos High School Senior Nima Emani to the Master Plan Advisory Committee
5. Solid Waste Rates
Adopted a resolution setting rates and implementing a 16.46% increase in solid waste collection rates effective July 1, 2008
6. Demolition of City Owned Structures at 400 Main Street
Approved the recommendation to:
A. Appropriate \$288,000 from the Capital Projects unreserved fund balance; and

B. Authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment to the agreement with Grossmann Design Group to prepare plans and specifications for the demolition of City owned structures at 400 Main Street.

7. Maintenance Services Department Vehicle Purchases

Authorized the purchase of three vehicles from Downtown Ford (Sacramento) utilizing State of California Bid #1-08-23-20 for a total cost of \$69,988

8. Los Altos Sister Cities Fingerpost

Approved the design and location adjacent to the main library. Council noted that the post could be relocated due to future Civic Center plans.

9. Subcommittee Report

Accepted a report on the Los Altos City Council/Los Altos School Board meeting held on May 28, 2008

DISCUSSION ITEMS

10. Three-lot Subdivision Tentative Map Application for 233 West Edith Avenue

Mayor Carpenter introduced the item and opened the floor for public comment.

The following Los Altos residents spoke:

Debby Alcorn

Barton Hechtman, counsel for the applicant

Eleanor Thomas

City Attorney Houston clarified that the map act prohibits conditioning the map for a single-story building.

Council discussion touched on the arborist report, road standards for flag lots and cul-de-sacs and the single story overlay process. One councilmember expressed concern for the diminishing historic resources in the City.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER SATTERLEE, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BECKER, to adopt an environmental Negative Declaration. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER SATTERLEE, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CASAS, to approve Subdivision application 07-DL-03 subject to findings and conditions. THE MOTION CARRIED 3-1, with Mayor Carpenter dissenting.

COUNCIL REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Becker reported on the Redwood Grove Task Force's progress toward developing a vision and plan for the area.

Councilmember Casas gave a reminder of the Relay for Life to be held on June 21 and 22 at the Los Altos High School track.

Mayor Pro Tem Satterlee reported on a Santa Clara County Library JPA meeting.

Mayor Carpenter reported on the recent State of the Cities lunch that was hosted by the Chamber of Commerce and thanked staff for their support.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:40 p.m. Mayor Carpenter adjourned the meeting in memory of the life of former Mayor Lee Lynch who for many years served her beloved City of Los Altos.


Susan Kitchens, CITY CLERK


Valorie Cook Carpenter, MAYOR