



TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2009

6:00 P.M. - SPECIAL JOINT CITY COUNCIL/FINANCIAL COMMISSION MEETING

Neutra House
181 Hillview Avenue, Los Altos, California

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

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 April 14, 2009
2. Sewer Appeals
Recommendation to accept the report on the disposition of 2008-2009 Sewer Appeals
3. Shop Los Altos Campaign
Recommendation to adopt Resolution No. 2009-09
4. Investment Advisory Services
Recommendation to authorize staff to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for investment advisory services to commence in FY 2009-2010 and authorize the City Manager to execute a contract on behalf of the City
5. North Clark Avenue Neighborhood Traffic Management Project
Recommendation to authorize staff to conduct a final neighborhood vote to add an additional planter in front of the residence at 295 North Clark Avenue

6. Recommended Revisions to the Commission Handbook
Recommendation from the Personnel Committee to revise the Commission Handbook
7. Housing Ordinance Amendments
Recommendation to adopt an ordinance amending Chapters 14.28, 14.30 and 14.52 of the Municipal Code relative to defining specific requirements for affordable housing units, modifying the Density Bonus Regulations and removing the Affordable Housing/Mixed-Use Overlay District
8. Sewer Master Plan Repair Projects
Recommendation to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement on behalf of the City with CSG Consultants, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$200,511 for design and construction support services for the Annual Sewer Spot Repairs, Project 09-26; the Sewer Main Corrosion Rehabilitation, Project 09-28; and the Sewer Main Replacements S1-PCR Phase 2, Project 09-29

DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. Community Center Master Plan
 - A. Direction regarding the location of the multi-purpose theatre
 - B. Direction on the parking options
 - C. Approval of the preferred scenario
 - D. Approval of the phasing strategy
 - E. Provide comments on the conceptual cost model and finance and funding strategy
10. Role of Los Altos Hills with Community Center Financing
Recommendation to discuss Los Altos Hills' letter of 2 March 2009 and its role with the financing of the Community Center
11. Capital Improvement Projects Status Report
Recommendation to receive the report

COUNCIL REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES
ENVIRONMENTAL: Steve Anderson
FINANCIAL: John Dixon
HISTORICAL: Frank Bishop
LIBRARY: Darwin Poulos
PLANNING: Randall Hull
PARKS, ARTS & REC: Maria Bautista
TRAFFIC: Bill Crook
YOUTH: Graham Beck

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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 REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2009, AT 7:00 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, ONE NORTH SAN ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Satterlee, Councilmembers Packard, Casas, Becker and Carpenter
ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Students from Oak School led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items no. 1, 5 and 6 were pulled for discussion.

On a motion by Councilmember Carpenter, seconded by Councilmember Packard, and passed unanimously, the following items were approved, with the exception of items no. 1, 5 and 6:

1. Council Minutes (Pulled for discussion)
Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of April 14, 2009
2. Sewer Appeals
Accepted the report on the disposition of 2008-2009 Sewer Appeals.
3. Shop Los Altos Campaign
Adopted Resolution No. 2009-09.
4. Investment Advisory Services
Authorized staff to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for investment advisory services to commence in FY 2009-2010 and authorize the City Manager to execute a contract on behalf of the City.
5. North Clark Avenue Neighborhood Traffic Management Project
Motion by Councilmember Packard, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Casas, to authorize staff to conduct a final neighborhood vote to add an additional planter in front of the residence at 295 North Clark Avenue. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Recommended Revisions to the Commission Handbook (Pulled for discussion)
Recommendation from the Personnel Committee to revise the Commission Handbook
7. Housing Ordinance Amendments
Adopted an ordinance amending Chapters 14.28, 14.30 and 14.52 of the Municipal Code relative to defining specific requirements for affordable housing units, modifying the Density Bonus Regulations and removing the Affordable Housing/Mixed-Use Overlay District.
8. Sewer Master Plan Repair Projects
Authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement on behalf of the City with CSG Consultants, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$200,511 for design and construction support services for the Annual Sewer Spot Repairs, Project 09-26; the Sewer Main Corrosion Rehabilitation, Project 09-28; and the Sewer Main Replacements S1-PCR Phase 2, Project 09-29.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. Community Center Master Plan

Councilmember Packard recused from the item due a financial interest in property within 500 feet of the project, stepped down from the dais and left the chamber.

Assistant City Manager Walgren made introductory remarks.

Pamela Anderson Brule and Monique Wood, project architects, presented an overview of the preferred scenario and Finance Director Morreale reported on the strategy for financing and funding.

The following residents offered comments:

Nancy Tucker, Library Commission representative	Ralph Kuiper
Vivian Levitt	Kacey Fitzpatrick
Maria Baustista	Francone Henberger
Tanya DeMare	Scott Burke
James Jenson	Max Napier
John Lippold	Ted Sorenson
Carol Sege	Karen Janowski
Phyllis Baer	Mary Srebnik
Robert Lee	Anna Powell
Bruce Cann	Gerry Madea
Virginia Morgan	Happy Cohan
John Day	

At this juncture, 9:17 p.m., Mayor Satterlee recessed the meeting and then reconvened at 9:23 p.m.

Council recognized that public opinion favors keeping the theater at the civic center site. One councilmember preferred the Village Park site for the theater due to the concern for night time use near homes. They deliberated on shared parking uses, above and below grade parking options and retaining buffer zones around the site. They noted that the community center courtyard increased the buildings footprint and questioned its need. They discussed maximizing land use with three-story buildings except along San Antonio Road due to probable light pollution from north facing windows to adjacent buildings. Regarding the phasing and funding strategy, they discussed the timing for polling and placing a measure on the ballot in 2010. One councilmember expressed concern for the amount of time between approving the project and polling, and opined that the first phase has too much to be ready for a 2010 ballot.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Casas, seconded by Councilmember Becker, that we have the theatre in its current footprint, 12,500 feet, brought onto the Civic Center property to be located specifically in the area adjacent to the area that has been called the forest, to support the parking direction that has been presented this evening and to provide the flexibility to bring underground parking where appropriate, to approve the preferred scenario conceptual plan, to approve the phasing strategy as articulated, to support and approve the concept cost model and to seek and request additional costing as the project moves forward and to support the articulated financing funding strategy that has been put forth in the recommendation.

Councilmember Carpenter offered the following amendment: "while the Woodland location is preferred that we leave the architect the opportunity to present an alternative location if that is best in their professional judgment."

The amendment was accepted on the condition that it would have no affect on Phase 1 or the buffer zones. The motion carried 3-1, with Mayor Satterlee dissenting.

10. Role of Los Altos Hills with Community Center Financing

Council discussed various methods and levels of participation in funding components of the project. Mayor Satterlee will take a request to Los Altos Hills Mayor Mordo to poll their residents on what level of funding they would support.

Councilmember Packard returned to the dais.

11. Capital Improvement Projects Status Report

Finance Director Morreale reported on the completion status for FY 2008/2009. Staff responded to questions relative to the status of other various projects.

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Council Minutes

Mayor Satterlee suggested amendments and then moved to approve the amended minutes of April 14, 2009. Councilmember Carpenter seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

6. Revisions to the Commission Handbook

Motion by Mayor Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Packard, to approve the revisions, with the exception of removing "automatically" from the attendance section. The motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Packard requested an agenda item to consider a retention policy for council meeting videos. Mayor Satterlee supported. He complimented the Police Department for actions taken during a recent event.

Councilmember Carpenter announced the next Downtown Development Committee meeting for May 5, 2009, at 7:30 a.m. She reminded staff and commissioners of the Annual Training scheduled for May 5, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. and the Stevens Creek Trail joint cities meeting had been moved to May 11, 2009 at Mountain View city hall.

Mayor Pro Tem Casas reported on the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) assembly. He encouraged participation in Egan School's Portfolio Day on June 4, 2009. He announced that the Annual Pet Parade and Fine Art in the Park events will be held the weekend of May 16-17, 2009.

Mayor Satterlee polled council on a request from Supervisor Cortese to take a position on bringing major league baseball to Santa Clara County. This was not supported.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Satterlee adjourned the meeting at 10:42 p.m.


Megan Satterlee, MAYOR


Susan Kitchens, CITY CLERK