

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018,
BEGINNING AT 7:00 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, 1 NORTH SAN
ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA**

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Mayor Mordo, Vice Mayor Lee Eng, Councilmembers Bruins, Pepper and Prochnow

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Mordo led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the order of the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

The following individuals provided comments on items not on the agenda: Los Altos residents Kurt Seifert and Scott Trappe (representing Friends of Stevens Creek).

CONSENT CALENDAR

A member of the public pulled item number 2. Councilmember Pepper pulled item number 3.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Prochnow, seconded by Councilmember Bruins, the Council unanimously approved the Consent Calendar, with the exception of items number 2 and 3, as follows:

1. Council Minutes: Approved the minutes of the January 23, 2018 regular meeting.
2. Adoption of City Council 2018 Strategic Priorities: Approve the City Council's 2018 Strategic Priorities – *Pulled for discussion (see page 2).*
3. Resolution No. 2018-02: Appeal of Design Review Application – 571 Cherry Avenue: Adopt Resolution No. 2018-02 to approve Design Review Application No. 17-SC-30 subject to the recommended findings and conditions – *Pulled for discussion (see page 2).*
4. Resolution No. 2018-03: Partial Abandonment of Easements at 860 Renetta Court: Adopted Resolution No. 2018-03 for a partial abandonment of a public utility easement and a wire clearance easement that encumber Lot 5 of Tract No. 3096.

5. Resolution No. 2018-04: CIPP Corrosion Rehabilitation, Project WW-01005: Adopted Resolution No. 2018-04 accepting completion of the CIPP Corrosion Rehabilitation, Project WW-01005; and authorized the Public Works Director to record a Notice of Completion as required by law.
6. Construction Contract Award: South Sewer Main Replacement (Fremont Avenue), Project WW-01004: Awarded the Base Bid for the South Sewer Main Replacement (Fremont Avenue), Project WW-01004 to EPS, Inc. dba Express Plumbing (EPS, Inc.) in the amount of \$380,640 and authorized the City Manager to execute a contract on behalf of the City.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Adoption of City Council 2018 Strategic Priorities: Approve the City Council's 2018 Strategic Priorities

Public Comments: The following individual presented public comments: Los Altos resident Neysa Fligor.

Councilmember Bruins expressed a desire to see more refinement of the draft Strategic Priorities from the Council Retreat and offered a document with revised Priorities for the Council to consider. Vice Mayor Lee Eng expressed concerns that the draft Strategic Priorities did not reflect what was agreed to at the Council Retreat.

Motion: Motion made by Councilmember Prochnow, seconded by Mayor Mordo, to approve the City Council's 2018 Strategic Priorities. The motion failed by the following vote: AYES: Mordo and Prochnow; NOES: Bruins, Lee Eng and Pepper; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

Councilmembers further discussed the Strategic Priorities and concluded that it was not possible to reach consensus on including more details within the priorities therefore approval should be reconsidered as presented.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Mordo, seconded by Councilmember Prochnow, the Council approved the City Council's 2018 Strategic Priorities, by the following vote: AYES: Mordo, Pepper and Prochnow; NOES: Bruins and Lee Eng; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

3. Resolution No. 2018-02: Appeal of Design Review Application – 571 Cherry Avenue: Adopt Resolution No. 2018-02 to approve Design Review Application No. 17-SC-30 subject to the recommended findings and conditions

Councilmember Pepper questioned whether concerns raised by a member of the public regarding the proceedings of this item at the Historical Commission would affect the Council's ability to take action on the item. City Attorney Diaz indicated that the Council could take action on the item regardless of what may have taken place at a Commission meeting.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Prochnow, seconded by Vice Mayor Lee Eng, the Council unanimously adopted Resolution No. 2018-02 to approve Design Review Application No. 2017-SC-30 subject to the recommended findings and conditions.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. Downtown Business Improvement District Feasibility: Authorize the City Manager to retain the services of a Business Improvement District consultant with the soled purpose of exploring the feasibility of establishing a Business Improvement District in Downtown Los Altos

City Manager Jordan presented the report.

Public Comments

The following individuals presented public comments: Kim Cranston (representing Los Altos Property Owners Downtown), Scott Hunter (representing Los Altos Village Association) and Los Altos resident Richard Clark.

Direction: Councilmembers generally supported exploring the possibility of establishing a Business Improvement District in Downtown Los Altos and encouraged the Chamber of Commerce, Los Altos Village Association and Los Altos Property Owners Downtown to take the lead in educating the Downtown community and City Council on the basics of Business Improvement Districts including the purpose and function. Councilmember Bruins volunteered to assist in the education effort.

8. Approval of City logo: Approve the new City logo for City-wide use in addition to the City Seal

Public Information Coordinator Ray presented the report.

Direction: Councilmembers were not enthusiastic about the proposed new logo, provided input on what could be included in future drafts of a logo, such as an apricot and colors used in existing signage throughout the City, and requested staff continue developing a new City Logo with further input from members of the community.

COUNCIL/STAFF REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Bruins requested that Council return to past practices of honoring Councilmember's requests to place something on the record. She reported that she would be meeting with staff from Supervisor Simitian's office regarding the County's funding of historical grants. She further reported she participated in the CHP ride along as part of her duties on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission Board and that she attended the following: the Downtown Vision pop-up workshop on January 31, 2018, the Crosswalk and Intersection Improvement Projects public meeting on February 12, 2018, the State of the County on February 6, 2018 and the State of the Valley on February 9, 2018.

Vice Mayor Lee Eng reported she attended the following: the Crosswalk and Intersection Improvement Projects public meeting on February 12, 2018, the Complete Streets Commission meetings on January 24, 2018 and February 12, 2018, a meeting at Montclair Elementary School regarding Safe Routes to School, and a meeting of the Valley Transportation Authority Policy Advisory Committee. She announced she would be attending the League of California Cities Planning Commissioners Academy April 4-6, 2018. She also indicated that the Complete Streets Commission had requested a meeting with the Council.

Mayor Mordo announced he would be touring three nearby teen centers with Recreation and Community Services Director Hernandez on February 14, 2018.

Councilmember Pepper reported she attended the Chamber of Commerce awards dinner with Mayor Mordo and Councilmember Bruins and the State of the Valley on February 9, 2018.

City Manager Jordan reported he attended the State of the Valley on February 9, 2018 and that the Council would be having a study session regarding potential revenue items. He also provided an update on the design development process for the Community Center including the involvement of members of the former Community Center Project Task Force and the Chairs of the Parks and Recreation, Senior, and Youth Commissions.

Future agenda items

The Council requested a future agenda item to consider a request for funding from the Santa Clara County Creeks Coalition.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mordo adjourned the meeting at 9:00 P.M.

Jean Mordo, MAYOR

Jon Maginot, CMC, CITY CLERK