

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS 7:00 P.M., TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021

# Held Via Video/Teleconference Per California Executive Order N-29-20

### MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At 7:00 p.m., Mayor Fligor called the meeting to order.

# **ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Present: Mayor Fligor, Vice Mayor Enander, Council Members Lee Eng, Meadows, and

Weinberg

Absent: None

## REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Fligor reported that there was no action taken and nothing to report from the Closed Session held earlier in the evening.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Elodie Guy, accompanied by her brother, Julian Guy, led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **SPECIAL ITEMS**

 Presentation of Proclamation Honoring Daniil and Divya Reouk, Recipients of the 2021 Los Altos Historic Preservation Award (S. Gallegos)

Mayor Fligor read the Proclamation and congratulated the recipients.

Daniil Reouk thanked the council and provide a presentation on the restoration of his home.

Association Planner Gallegos provide additional information on the award-winning structure.

• Presentation of Proclamation to CHAC in Recognition of Mental Health Awareness Month and for the Mental Health Services CHAC provides to the Community.

Mayor Fligor read the proclamation into the record and thanked CHAC for the services the organization provides to the community.

Marsha Deslauriers, Executive Director of CHAC, thanked the Council and provide information on their services and their adaptation to address challenges resulting from the pandemic.

Presentation on History House Museum by Dr. Elisabeth I. Ward, Executive Director

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Due to technical problems the presentation was delayed to later in the evening.

### CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

Council Member Lee requested that Agenda Item #5 Emergency Measures for Addressing COVID-19 after Agenda Item #8. Mayor Fligor stated that she could support reordering the agenda so that Agenda Item #5 would be considered following Agenda Item #7. There was no objection to this change.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

An individual identified as jdff provided comments.

# **SPECIAL ITEMS**

• Presentation on History House Museum by Dr. Elisabeth I. Ward, Executive Director

Dr. Ward provided a presentation to the Council and answered questions.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Council Minutes: Approve the amended minutes of the May 11, 2021 Regular Meeting
- 2. <u>Contract Amendment:</u> Approve Amendment (Amendment No. 2) to Agreement with TRB + Associates for an additional amount of \$29,671.60 for professional plan review services.
- 3. <u>Contract Amendment:</u> Approve Amendment (Amendment No. 3) to Agreement with TRB + Associates for an additional amount of \$100,000 for professional plan review services.
- 4. Quarterly Investment Portfolio Report Quarter Ended March 31, 2021: Receive the Investment Portfolio Report Quarter Ended March 31, 2021

There were no Council Members or members of the public wishing to comment on the Consent Calendar items.

Vice Mayor Enander moved to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lee Eng and the motion passed 5-0 with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members Lee Eng, Meadows, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Enander, and Mayor

Fligor.

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS - None**

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# **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

6. Halsey House Study Session Consultant Support: Approve the appropriation of \$40,480 of Park-in-Lieu funds to the Halsey House Feasibility Study CIP CF – 01004; Approve contract amendment with the Architectural Resource Group in amount not to exceed \$18,890; Approve contract with David J. Powers & Associates in the amount not to exceed \$8,340; and Approve of a contract with Page & Turnbull in the amount not to exceed \$13,250.

City Manager introduced the staff member who worked on this item. Dave Brees, Project Manager provided a staff report and he along with Sean Gallegos, Associate Planner answered questions from the Council.

Jon Baer provided public comment.

Following discussion, Vice Mayor Enander moved that the Council authorize appropriation of \$40,480 of Park-in-Lieu funds to the Halsey House Feasibility Study CIP CF – 01004; approve a contract amendment with the Architectural Resource Group in the amount not to exceed of \$18,890; approve a contract with David J. Powers & Associates in the amount not to exceed of \$8,340; and approve a contract with Page & Turnbull in the amount not to exceed \$13,250. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lee Eng and the motion passed 5-0 with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members Lee Eng, Meadows, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Enander, and Mayor

Fligor.

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

Council Member Lee Eng stated that it would be beneficial for staff to have a clear understanding of what information is expected by the Council from the consultant at the time of the study session on the matter including input from the City Attorney relative to legal risks and analysis of the identified available options.

7. Resolution No. 2021 – 24: Adopt Resolution of the City Council of the City of Los Altos Taking a Leadership Role on an Issue Negatively Impacting the Los Altos Community.

Mayor Fligor presented the proposed resolution and commented on events stemming from comments made at the November 24, 2020 City Council meeting.

The following members for the public commented; Joe, Kenan Moos (with time ceded from Pete), Randall Lowe, Kai Moos, Kevin Moos, Amber Joy, Seth D., Cindy Sidaris, Roy, Tanya Maluf, Aifra Ahmed, Taania Khan, Brigid M., Douglas Smith, Zoe, Raj M., Brian Jones, Larry Lang, Sam Blewis, Shakun Maheshwari, Maureen Griffin, Kathleen McShane, Christine Yum Lenz, Teresa, Elaine Wang, Jennifer D., Neil Mamman (with time cede from Freddie Parks, Teri Couture, and Liz Roberts), Michelle Lee, Maria B., A Zede, Renee Rashid, and Tara.

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At 9:34 p.m. Mayor Fligor called for a brief recess. The meeting was reconvened at 9:42 p.m.

Public comment continued with the following individuals commenting: Bill, Karen Solpon, Owner, Mike Abrams, Jill W., Jeanine Bruins, Jim Jolly (with time cede from Al Rooney, Roberta Phillips And Walter Eng), Dave Hong, Crysta Krames, Kaizad, Michelle S., Nanj., Reynette Au, Jason, Kevin McGary (with time cede from Dotty Paliack, Dotty Monroe, and Frank Martin), Corinne Finigan, Ella, Seth Moss, Michelle Garcia, Ms. Kerr, Chinyere, Lydia Kou, Anita, Ken Girdley, Jim Connor, Phan Trong, Heather, Kevin Metcalf (with time ceded from Janet Corrigan and John Corrigan), Jen Aron, Celia, Jeremy Steele, James Chu, Margaret Petros, Deneva, Kemba T., Natasha Khan, Anne Paulson, Jeanine Valadez, Jan Pepper, Nathaniel Morris, Tara Roussel, Aisha, Kathleen Barzegar, Theresa, Inno, Michelle Lee, Feroze, Scott Spielman, Toni Moos, Katty, Jon, Lisa B., Lori Joseph, Connie, Peggy Doug, Betsy Schmidt, Salim, Kiyoshi, John, Langston T., LK Cox, Lestina Trainor, Candace, Arnold, Hazel W., letters read aloud by the City Clerk from Doug Krause, David Roode, Jane Yee, Jan Soule, Nirmalendu Das, Anna Krause, Rebecca Fallow, Sandy Hu, Maxine Tsai, Emily, June Darmanian, Bill Hough, James C., Tina, and Carol Ovelman.

Council discussion commenced and edits were made to the proposed resolution.

Council Member Lee Eng provided a statement.

Council Member Weinberg moved that the Council adopt Resolution No 2021-24 - Taking a Leadership Role on an Issue Negatively Impacting the Los Altos Community, as amended, and authorize the Mayor to review the final resolution for chronological accuracy in comparison to the recording of the meeting and to make any appropriate adjustments to the resolution to reflect the sequence of events most accurately. The motion was seconded by Council Member Meadows and the motion passed 3-2 with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Member Meadows and Weinberg, and Mayor Fligor.

NOES: Council Member Lee Eng and Vice Mayor Fligor

ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

5. <u>Emergency Measures for Addressing COVID-19:</u> Receive an update from the Deputy City Manager and provide direction on additional potential measures to address COVID-19.

Given the late hour, the matter was deferred.

8. Council Legislative Subcommittee Update And Potential Council Action: Receive update from the City Council Legislative Subcommittee; discuss pending legislation including, but not limited to: AB 14, AB17, AB 34, AB 68, AB 115, AB 215, AB 339\*, AB 415\*, AB 617, AB 678, AB 1091, AB 1258, AB 1322, AB 1401, SB 4, SB 5, SB 6, SB 7, SB 8, SB 9, SB 10, SB 15, SB 16, SB 55, SB 210, SB 278\*, SB 477, SB 478, SB 556\*, SB 640, SB 695, SB 765, SB 785, SB 988 \* indicates previous Council action taken- (Vice Mayor Enander, Council Member Weinberg)

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Vice Mayor Enander provided an overview of various pending legislation. Council Member Weinberg also provided information. Council discussion commenced.

Salim provided public comments. There were no other members of the public wishing to comment.

Vice Mayor Enander moved that the Council authorize the Mayor to sign on behalf of the Council, and direct staff to resubmit the identical letter, as previously submitted by the Council, expressing opposition to SB9 to the appropriate recipients and local representatives; and authorize the Mayor to sign on behalf of the Council, the proposed letters for AB 215, SB 278, SB 612 and SB 640 and direct staff to send the letters to the appropriate recipients and local representatives; and delay sending letters relative to SB 16 and AB 1401. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lee Eng and the motion passed 4-0-1 with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members Lee Eng and Weinberg, Vice Mayor Enander, and Mayor Fligor.

NOES: None ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Council Member Meadows

Council Member Meadows abstained due to her brief absence, during the discussion of the letters, (due to internet connection loss) and difficulty in her ability to fully read the letters on the device by which she was participating in the meeting **after she lost internet connectivity**..

### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS ONLY

Tentative Council Calendar

## COUNCIL/STAFF REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Lee Eng suggested an agenda item to discuss anti bias training and the scope of the training. There was support from Council Member Weinberg and Mayor Fligor.

Council Member Weinberg, with unanimous support, requested that a matter of removing a Youth Commission be placed on a future agenda.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

| At 2:19 a.m., Wednesday, May 26, 2021, Mayor Fligor adjourned the meeting. |                     |
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| ATTEST:  | Neysa Fligor, MAYOR |
| Andrea M. Chelemengos MMC, CITY CLERK                                      |                     |