

**MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2015,
BEGINNING AT 6:00 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, 1 NORTH SAN
ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA**

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Mayor Pepper, Mayor Pro Tem Bruins, Councilmembers Mordo, Prochnow and Satterlee

ABSENT: None

1. Pedestrian Master Plan, Project 11-18

Transportation Services Manager Novenario and Mary Stewart of Alta Planning and Design presented the report.

Public Comment:

Los Altos resident Jim Wing encouraged the Council to include a project to close a gap in the sidewalk near University Avenue and Milverton Road.

Los Altos resident Michael McTighe encouraged the Council to make the Suggested Routes to Schools maps electronic and to defer any work in Loyola Corners until after the Planning and Transportation Commission has reviewed the area.

Los Altos resident Tamara Fagin, Laura Teksler, representing the Egan Junior High School PTA, and Margie Suozzo, representing the Egan/BCS Bike and Pedestrian Safety Committee, encouraged the Council to prioritize safety improvements near the Egan Junior High School campus.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commissioner Wes Brinsfield encouraged the Council to adopt the Pedestrian Master Plan as soon as possible.

Los Altos resident Mina Sharma encouraged the Council to prioritize safety improvements along Miramonte Avenue and Covington Road.

Griff Derryberry, Kathy Stiles, Serge Bonte and Los Altos resident Pam Smith encouraged the Council to make minor improvements to the intersection of El Monte Avenue and Springer Road.

Action: Council members provided feedback on projects identified in the Pedestrian Master Plan.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pepper adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Janis C. Pepper, MAYOR

Jon Maginot, CMC, CITY CLERK

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2015, BEGINNING
AT 7:00 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, 1 NORTH SAN ANTONIO
ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA**

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Mayor Pepper, Mayor Pro Tem Bruins, Councilmembers Mordo, Prochnow and Satterlee

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Junior Girl Scout Troop 61164 led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Pepper called for a moment of silence to honor the memory of Bob Grimm, former Los Altos Councilmember and Mayor.

CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilmember Mordo, the Council added an urgency item to the agenda to discuss joining an amicus brief in support of an appeal by Bay Area Clean Environment to challenge the Santa Clara County approval of a reclamation plan amendment for Permanente Quarry, by the following vote: AYES: Bruins, Mordo, Pepper and Prochnow; NOES: Satterlee; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no public comments on items not on the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Satterlee pulled item number 5.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bruins, the Council unanimously approved the Consent Calendar, with the exception of item number 5, as follows:

1. Council Minutes

Approved the minutes of the March 10, 2015 study session and regular meeting.

2. Sewer System Management Plan Update, Project WW-01009

Adopted the Sewer System Management Plan Update, Project WW-01009.

3. Approval of Parcel Map for 633 Almond Avenue

Approved the Parcel Map of 633 Almond Avenue.

4. Annual Concrete Repair, Project TS-01005

Awarded the Base Bid and Add Alternates No. 1 and 2 for the Annual Concrete Repair, Project TS-01005 to JJR Construction, Inc. for the amount of \$218,439.60 and authorized the City Manager to execute a contract on behalf of the City.

5. Two-lot subdivision at 980 Covington Road

Pulled for discussion (see page 4).

6. Los Altos public access television

Authorized the City Manager to execute a contract with KMVT 15 for management of Los Altos public access television programming and authorized the City Manager to execute a contract with KMVT 15 for meeting broadcasting services.

7. LASD Citizens' Advisory Committee for Finance appointee

Extended the appointment of Kitty Uhlir on the Los Altos School District Citizens' Advisory Committee for Finance through June 2015.

PUBLIC HEARING

8. First Street Moratorium *Cancelled*

DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. Civic Center Master Plan update

City Clerk Maginot and Pamela Anderson Brulé of Anderson Brulé Architects presented the report.

Public Comment

Los Altos resident Andrea Eaton expressed concerns with the financing strategy in relationship to other City priorities for funding.

Cathie Perga encouraged the Council to not reduce the scope of the project in order to save on costs.

Kim Cranston discouraged the Council from moving forward with the project too rapidly.

Los Altos resident Penny Lave encouraged the Council to move forward with the project.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Bruins, seconded by Councilmember Mordo, the Council unanimously accepted the preferred site alternative cost model, targeted November 2015 for a bond election, directed staff to begin developing a financing strategy, and to engage an election consultant.

10. City/Los Altos School District Schools Issues Standing Committee: Future agenda items

Mayor Pepper introduced the item.

Public Comments

Paul Anawalt encouraged the Council to make pedestrian improvements to the intersection of El Monte Avenue and Springer Road.

Action: Council members identified the following as agenda items for the next meeting of the City/Los Altos School District Schools Issues Standing Committee: A) Update on school facilities plan; B) Support for Community Center bond measure; C) School commute issues: Safe/suggested routes to school, busing, carpooling, etc.; D) Traffic at Egan Junior High and Blach Intermediate Schools; E) Feedback on City outreach efforts to each school; and F) School Board support of City projects related to pedestrian safety.

11. Open Government Policy

Community Development Director Walgren presented the report.

Public Comment: Planning and Transportation Commissioner Michael McTighe requested that reports to the Planning and Transportation Commission include the number of properties noticed.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Mordo, the Council unanimously accepted the Design Review Commission recommendation regarding proposed expansion of single family two-story residential project noticing boundaries.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilmember Satterlee, the Council unanimously accepted the Planning and Transportation Commission recommendations regarding posted and mailed notices for commercial, multiple-family and mixed-use projects.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilmember Prochnow, the Council directed staff to require the use of building story poles for commercial, multiple-family and mixed-use projects, by the following vote: AYES: Mordo, Pepper and Prochnow; NOES: Bruins and Satterlee; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Mordo, the Council unanimously accepted the Planning and Transportation Commission recommendation regarding commercial, multiple-family and mixed-use project noticing boundaries.

Mayor Pepper called for a recess at 8:24 p.m. The meeting resumed at 8:30 p.m.

12. Climate Action Plan Annual Report

Senior Planner Dahl presented the report.

Public Comments: Los Altos resident Gary Hedden encouraged the Council to include Community Choice Energy in the Climate Action Plan if it is determined that such measures would be feasible for the City to implement.

Action: Council members provided feedback on the implementation of certain Climate Action Plan measures.

ITEM PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

5. Two-lot subdivision at 980 Covington Road

Mayor Pepper suggested requiring that trees which are removed be replaced with compensatory trees.

Mayor Pro Tem Bruins supported leaving the conditions as written.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilmember Prochnow, the Council modified Condition No. 6 to read that trees number 4 and 21 shall be replaced with compensatory trees and modified Condition No. 7 to read that tree number 20 shall be replaced with compensatory trees, by the following vote: AYES: Mordo, Pepper, Prochnow and Satterlee; NOES: Bruins; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilmember Satterlee, the Council approved a tentative map, which includes a variance and historic review permit, for a two-lot subdivision subject to the findings and conditions, as modified, by the following vote: AYES: Mordo, Pepper, Prochnow and Satterlee; NOES: Bruins; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS CONTINUED

13. 1715 Grant Road – Use Permit amendment

Assistant Planner Gallegos presented the report.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Mordo, the Council unanimously approved an amendment to Use Permit application 80-UP-263 for a private school, subject to the recommended findings and conditions, with the addition of a condition that no more than half of the student body shall be outside at one time.

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

14. Project photo-simulations and design submittal requirements

Community Development Director Walgren presented the report.

Action: Council members generally supported moving forward with computer-generated building massing as a design submittal requirement.

15. City-wide Parking Committee

Councilmember Mordo introduced the item.

Action: Council members reviewed the membership and meeting schedule of the Committee.

16. Bay Area Clean Environment amicus brief

Mayor Pepper introduced the item.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilmember Prochnow, the Council joined the amicus brief in support of an appeal by Bay Area Clean Environment of the Santa Clara County approval of a reclamation plan for Permanente Quarry, by the following vote: AYES: Bruins, Mordo, Pepper and Prochnow; NOES: Satterlee; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council reports

Mayor Pro Tem Bruins reported she attended meetings of the Valley Transportation Authority Policy Advisory Committee and the Stevens Creek Trail Joint Cities Working Team.

Mayor Pepper reported she attended the following: a meeting of the Cities Association of Santa Clara County Board on March 12, 2015, a meeting with City Manager Somers and the Mayors and City Managers of Mountain View, Palo Alto and Sunnyvale on March 20, 2015, and meetings of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District Stationary Source Committee on March 16, 2015 and Climate Protection Committee on March 19, 2015. She further announced the general membership meeting of the Cities Association of Santa Clara on May 14, 2015.

Staff reports

City Attorney Houston reported she and other area City Attorneys are working to develop a Memorandum of Understanding related to Super Bowl L at Levi Stadium in the City of Santa Clara.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pepper adjourned the meeting at 9:47 p.m.

Janis C. Pepper, MAYOR

Jon Maginot, CMC, CITY CLERK