

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 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, Councilmembers Mordo, Prochnow and Satterlee

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Bruins

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Junior Girl Scout Troop 61170 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.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) – Two cases

Mayor Pepper reported that no action was taken during the Closed Session meeting.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Mayor Pepper presented a proclamation recognizing National Volunteer Week to Cole Brinsfield, 2014 City of Los Altos Youth Volunteer Award winner, who accepted the award on behalf of all City of Los Altos volunteers.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Los Altos resident Gary Hedden encouraged the Council to host a Town Hall meeting regarding water conservation.

Los Altos resident Tony Richmond encouraged the Council to direct staff to explore prohibiting daily rental of vacant houses in Los Altos.

Los Altos resident Cameron Hamblin disagreed with the reasons for denial of an application to remove a tree on her property.

David Casas, representing the Friends of Los Altos, discussed an article written by Friends of Los Altos regarding behavior by City Commission and Committee members.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Satterlee pulled item number 3 and a member of the public pulled item number 4.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Mordo, the Council approved the Consent Calendar, with the exception of items number 3 and 4, by the following vote: AYES: Mordo, Pepper, Prochnow and Satterlee; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Bruins, as follows:

1. Approved the minutes of the March 24, 2015 study session and regular meeting.
2. Approved the revised Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement: Workforce Development Services for NOVA Consortium to include the addition of San Mateo County.
3. Pulled for discussion (see page 3).
4. Pulled for discussion (see page 4).
5. Approved the Agreement for Countywide AB939 Implementation Fee; approved the Agreement for Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program; and authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreements on behalf of the City.
6. Awarded the Base Bid for the Annual Sewer Root Foaming, Project WW-01003 to Duke's Root Control, Inc. in the amount of \$212,500 and authorized the City Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the City.
7. Appropriated \$47,336 from the General Fund to the Municipal Services Center Driveway, Project 13-06.
8. Appropriated \$60,985 to the Main Library Parking Lot, Project 13-16 from the General Fund; awarded the Base Bid plus Add Alternates No. 1 and 2 for the Main Library Parking Lot, Project 13-16 to Silicon Valley Paving, Inc. for \$110,053; and authorized the City Manager to execute a contract on behalf of the City.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. Approve removal of a Canary Island Pine tree at 86 Third Street and replace with a 36-inch box specimen evergreen

Senior Planner Dahl presented the report.

Public Comment: David Luedtke, developer of 86 Third Street, stated reasons why the tree should be removed.

Mayor Pepper opposed the removal of the Canary Island Pine tree at 86 Third Street.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Mordo, the Council approved removal of a Canary Island Pine tree at 86 Third Street and replacement with a 36-inch box specimen evergreen, by the following vote: AYES: Mordo, Prochnow and Satterlee; NOES: Pepper; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Bruins.

10. Appropriate \$440,000 of Traffic Impact Fees as a matching contribution for Foothill Expressway Improvements between El Monte Avenue and San Antonio Road

Councilmember Mordo recused himself due to a financial conflict of interest (owns property within 500 feet of the Plan area), stepped down from the dais and left the chamber.

Transportation Services Manager Novenario presented the report.

Public Comments

Los Altos residents Harry Guy, Tom Glynn, Jim Wing, Cindy Anderson and Nancy Brebeau supported the proposed appropriation of funds.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilmember Satterlee, the Council appropriated \$440,000 of Traffic Impact Fees as a matching contribution for Foothill Expressway Improvements between El Monte Avenue and San Antonio Road, by the following vote: AYES: Pepper, Prochnow and Satterlee; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Bruins and Mordo.

Councilmember Mordo returned to the dais.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

3. Approve the installation of *Magic Garden* in Village Park, *Electric Slide*, *Midnight Serenade Pose 2* and *Twist & Shout* in front of 160 First Street, and *By the Sea*, *By the Sea 2* and *Red Lizard Rock* in Marymeade Park

Commission Staff Liaison Maginot presented additional information regarding the proposed installations in front of 160 First Street.

Public Comment: Public Arts Commission Chair Maddy McBirney presented reasons for the proposed installation in front of 160 First Street.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Prochnow, the Council approved the installation of *Electric Slide*, *Midnight Serenade Pose 2* and *Twist & Shout* in front of 160 First Street with the final, specific placement to be approved by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission, by the following vote: AYES: Mordo, Pepper, Prochnow and Satterlee; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Bruins.

Action: Motion made by Councilmember Satterlee to leave *By the Sea* in its current location in Redwood Grove and direct the Public Arts Commission to explore alternate locations for the sculptures in a passive park location. The motion died for a lack of second.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilmember Prochnow, the Council approved the installation of *Magic Garden* in Village Park and *By the Sea, By the Sea 2* and *Red Lizard Rock* in Marymeade Park, by the following vote: AYES: Mordo, Pepper and Prochnow; NOES: Satterlee; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Bruins.

4. Authorize the City Manager to execute the Community Development Block Grant contract for FY 2015/16 and appropriate up to \$75,000 of eligible Community Development Block Grant funds to the Parking Plaza Driveway Approach Improvement Project

Special Projects Manager Brees presented the report.

Public Comment: Sue Russell, representing the League of Women Voters, encouraged the Council to contribute General Fund dollars to service agencies such as Community Services Agency.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Prochnow, the Council authorized the City Manager to execute the Community Development Block Grant contract for FY 2015/16 and appropriated up to \$75,000 of eligible Community Development Block Grant funds to the Parking Plaza Driveway Approach Improvement Project, by the following vote: AYES: Mordo, Pepper, Prochnow and Satterlee; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Bruins.

DISCUSSION ITEMS CONTINUED

11. Review the Tentative Council Calendar and provide direction on placement of items on the Calendar

Action: Council members discussed the Tentative Council Calendar and came to the following general consensus: leave the April 28, 2015 meeting items as presented, prioritize the update on Traffic Calming near Egan School, remove the Study Session on gun control regulations, prioritize the Storm Water Master Plan, move the Silicon Valley Regional Interoperability Authority Memorandum of Understanding to the May-June quarter, add a review of daily rental of vacant homes, and remove the update on the Foothill Expressway/El Monte Avenue intersection.

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council reports

Councilmember Satterlee reported she chaired a meeting of the Silicon Valley Regional Interoperability Authority on April 13, 2015. She also announced a meeting of the Downtown Buildings Committee on April 16, 2015.

Mayor Pepper reported she attended the following: an open house for Thoits Law on March 25, 2015, the Los Altos Community Foundation dinner on March 26, 2015 with Councilmember Mordo, the City's Egg Hunt on April 4, 2015, a tour of the Newby Island Landfill as part of her work as a member of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Board, a meeting

of the Cities Association of Santa Clara County on April 9, 2015, and the Santa Clara County Holocaust Remembrance ceremony on April 13, 2015. She further announced a meeting of the BAAQMD Stationary Source Committee on April 20, 2015 and the general membership meeting of the Cities Association of Santa Clara County on May 14, 2015.

Councilmember Mordo announced a meeting of the City-wide Parking Committee on April 15, 2015.

Staff reports

City Clerk/Assistant to the City Manager Maginot announced the deadline to apply for a vacancy on the Historical Commission is April 17, 2015 and the Annual Commission Training would be held on April 21, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pepper adjourned the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Janis C. Pepper, MAYOR

Jon Maginot, CMC, CITY CLERK