

**MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 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. Review a draft ordinance concerning solid waste, and direct staff accordingly

Engineering Services Manager Lamm presented the report.

Public Comment:

Michael McTighe, representing GreenTown Los Altos, expressed concerns with provisions related to storage and transportation of materials such as e-waste.

Action: Council members provided feedback on the draft ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pepper adjourned the meeting at 6:55 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, OCTOBER 13, 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 Scouts Troop 60875 led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(e)(3) – Two cases
2. Public Employment: City Manager Performance Review and Labor Negotiations
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b) and 54957.6

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

CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the order of the agenda.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Pepper presented a proclamation recognizing National Friends of the Library Week.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Los Altos resident Jean Wilke asked questions related to the Hillview Community Center and Park project.

Susan Russell, representing the League of Women Voters, expressed concerns with the implementation of recent changes to the City's Below Market Rate program.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Pepper pulled item number 2.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Bruins, seconded by Councilmember Satterlee, the Council unanimously approved the Consent Calendar, with the exception of item number 2, as follows:

1. Approved the minutes of the September 8, 2015 regular meeting.
2. Pulled for discussion (see page 5).
3. Adopted Resolution No. 2015-34, accepting completion of the Annual Sewer Root Foaming, Project WW-01003 and authorized the Public Works Director to record a Notice of Completion as required by law.
4. Authorized the purchase of a Vac-Con Combination Sewer Cleaner in the amount of \$324,113 plus sales tax from Municipal Maintenance Equipment.
5. Authorized the purchase of a bucket truck in the amount of \$96,248 plus sales tax from Altec Industries.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. Receive input from the Parks and Recreation, Senior, and Youth Commissions regarding the Community Center design process, and direct staff accordingly

City Manager Somers and Recreation & Community Services Director Hernandez presented the report.

Public Comments

Los Altos resident Natalie Elefant opposed including a dedicated senior wing in the community center but supported including a dedicated senior lounge.

Los Altos resident Frank Martin supported including a minimum 10,000 square foot senior wing in the community center.

Los Altos resident Paul Nyberg encouraged the appointment of an oversight committee to review the progress of the project.

Los Altos resident Lynette Lee Eng encouraged the Council to not prioritize cost recovery in programming rooms in the community center.

Mayor Pro Tem Bruins opposed limiting future architects with defined amount of space required for certain parts of the community center.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Mordo, the Council affirmed that, should a bond measure pass, there will be space dedicated to senior use adjacent to uses that will be exclusive to seniors during hours to be defined, that the actual size of rooms and use will be further refined, and that the combination of dedicated and exclusive spaces will equal at least 10,000 gross square feet, by the following vote: AYES: Mordo, Pepper, Prochnow and Satterlee; NOES: Bruins; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Mayor Pepper, the Council unanimously directed the Parks and Recreation, Senior, and Youth Commissions to continue working on defining programmatic uses for the community center and relevant program adjacencies in and outside the community center.

7. Adopt Resolution No. 2015-35, requesting the Federal Aviation Administration address increased aircraft noise in the City of Los Altos and Santa Clara County

Management Talent Exchange Program Special Projects Manager Jennifer Savage presented the report.

Public Comments

Rachel Kellerman, Tina Nguyen, Jennifer Landesmann and Los Altos residents Jean Kirk and Robin Gantz supported the resolution.

Action: Motion made by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bruins, to adopt Resolution No. 2015-35, requesting the Federal Aviation Administration address increased aircraft noise in the City of Los Altos and Santa Clara County and to direct the Mayor to send the resolution to Congresswoman Eshoo and Senators Boxer and Feinstein and request Congresswoman Eshoo provide further information to the community.

Mayor Pro Tem Bruins offered an amendment, which was accepted, to include a request for a more robust forum to discuss the issue in a cover letter to Congresswoman Eshoo. The motion, as amended, passed unanimously.

8. Confirm the steps for review of the Stevens Creek Trail Feasibility Study and related decision-making process

City Manager Somers presented the report.

Public Comment: Los Altos resident Chris Hansen supported the proposed meeting schedule and location.

Action: Council members supported the proposed meeting schedule with the understanding that scheduling of the November 17, 2015 meeting would be dependent upon the outcome of the October 27, 2015 meeting.

9. Uphold denial of Tree Removal Permit appeal for 279 Covington Road subject to the listed findings

Assistant Planner Gallegos presented the report.

Cameron Hamblin, appellant, presented the appeal.

Councilmembers Mordo and Prochnow supported granting the appeal.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bruins, the Council upheld denial of Tree Removal Permit appeal for 279 Covington Road subject to the listed findings, by the following vote: AYES: Bruins, Pepper and Satterlee; NOES: Mordo and Prochnow; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None.

Mayor Pepper recessed the meeting at 9:08 p.m. The meeting resumed at 9:18 p.m.

10. Receive a report from the Parks and Recreation Commission on parkland acquisition criteria and accept the criteria point system as part of the evaluation process for acquiring land for park development

Recreation & Community Services Director Hernandez presented the report.

Action: The Council accepted the report and criteria point system from the Parks and Recreation Commission.

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

Councilmember Prochnow recused herself due to financial conflicts of interest with discussion of the Downtown Buildings Committee, City-wide Parking Committee and potential opening of the back entrance to Egan Junior High School (owns property within 500 feet), stepped down from the dais and left the chamber.

Council discussed the timing and manner of the Downtown Buildings Committee and City-wide Parking Committee presenting their recommendations and adding the potential opening of the back entrance to Egan Junior High School.

Councilmember Prochnow returned to the dais.

Action: Council members discussed the Tentative Council Calendar and came to the following general consensus: direct staff to provide additional information regarding the back entrance to Egan Junior High School for the next review of the Tentative Council Calendar; move the review of the Planning and Transportation Commission structure to the To Be Scheduled category; add a review of the policy on placement of campaign signs to the To Be Scheduled category; and form an ad hoc subcommittee of Councilmembers Mordo and Prochnow to develop recommendations for the Commission interview process.

ITEM PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR CONTINUED

2. Nominate Mayor Pro Tem Bruins as the Group 2 member of the Valley Transportation Authority Board of Directors

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Prochnow, the Council unanimously nominated Mayor Pro Tem Bruins as the Group 2 member of the Valley Transportation Authority Board of Directors.

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council reports

Councilmember Prochnow reported she attended the following: a meeting of the Valley Transportation Authority Policy Advisory Committee on October 8, 2015, a meeting of the Senior Commission on October 5, 2015, a meeting of the Los Altos Sister Cities Board, and the League of California Cities Annual Conference September 30 – October 2, 2015.

Councilmember Mordo reported on a motion going to the Santa Clara County Library District JPA Board to transfer funds to the control of Los Altos and that he attended a meeting of the Library District JPA Finance Committee on October 13, 2015.

Mayor Pro Tem Bruins reported she co-emceed the Los Altos Follies and attended a meeting of the Valley Transportation Authority El Camino Real Bus Rapid Transit Policy Advisory Board on September 30, 2015.

Mayor Pepper reported she attended the following meetings:: the City/Los Altos School District Schools Issues Committee on September 16, 2015, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Climate Protection Committee on September 17, 2015, the BAAQMD Stationary Source Committee on September 21, 2015, the BAAQMD Board on October 7, 2015 and the Cities Association of Santa Clara County on October 8, 2015. She further reported she attended the League of California Cities Annual Conference September 30 – October 2, 2015, the Los Altos High School Homecoming Parade on October 9, 2015 and the Fall Festival where she served a judge in the classic car competition October 4, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pepper adjourned the meeting at 10:55 p.m.

Janis C. Pepper, MAYOR

Jon Maginot, CMC, CITY CLERK