



CITY OF PALO ALTO CITY COUNCIL DRAFT ACTION MINUTES

Regular Meeting
March 11, 2013

The City Council of the City of Palo Alto met on this date in the Council Chambers at 7:10 P.M.

Present: Berman, Burt, Holman, Price, Scharff, and Schmid

Absent: Klein, Kniss, and Shepherd

ACTION ITEMS

3. Certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report and Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Palo Alto Municipal Code Section 5.35 to Expand Plastic Bag Ban to Retail and Food Establishments, Require Retailers to Charge Fee for Paper Bag Use and Provision of Phased Implementation.

MOTION: Council Member Price moved to certify the Final Environmental Impact Report and adopt the proposed Retail and Food Service Establishment Checkout Bag Requirements Ordinance as proposed by Staff.

MOTION FAILED DUE TO LACK OF SECOND

MOTION: Council Member Burt moved, seconded by Mayor Scharff to approve Staff recommendations to certify the Final Environmental Impact Report and adopt the proposed Retail and Food Service Ordinance, establish the Checkout Bag Requirements Ordinance as proposed by Staff, with the following amendments in the proposed Ordinance: Chapter 5.35, Section 5.35.010 Definitions, Subsection (f)i Pre-Approved Materials to allow smaller reusable bags and not require eco logo label indicated in Subsection (d)I Pre-Approved Standard, Numbers 3 and 4, amend Section 5.35.030, Section (b) to make the fee for paper bags 10 cents, Staff will return to Council in 18-24 months for review on pricing policy, and this item will return as a first reading of the amended Ordinance on the Consent Agenda,.

DRAFT ACTION MINUTES

AMENDMENT: Council Member Holman moved to eliminate food service establishments from the ordinance.

AMENDMENT FAILED DUE TO LACK OF SECOND

MOTION PASSED: 5-0 Berman not participating, Klein, Kniss, and Shepherd absent

COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Holman announced that the CalTrain EIR comments were due in a couple of weeks.

Council Member Price attended the opening of an art show called Youth Speak Out, which also had an exhibit in the City Hall lobby. She also attended the Neighbors Abroad picnic the previous weekend celebrating the Tsuchiura exchange program.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M.