



CITY OF PALO ALTO CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES

Special Meeting
August 5, 2013

The City Council of the City of Palo Alto met on this date in the Council Chambers at 5:00 P.M.

Present: Berman, Burt arrived at 5:30 p.m., Holman, Klein, Kniss arrived at 5:15 p.m., Price, Scharff, Schmid, Shepherd

Absent:

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

City Designated Representatives: City Manager and his designees pursuant to Merit System Rules and Regulations (James Keene, Pamela Antil, Lalo Perez, David Ramberg, Joe Saccio, Kathryn Shen, Sandra Blanch, Dania Torres Wong, Val Fong, Marcie Scott, Brenna Rowe, Molly Stump) Employee Organization: Service Employees International Union, (SEIU) Local 521 Authority: Government Code Section 54957.6(a)

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2. CONFERENCE WITH CITY ATTORNEY -- EXISTING LITIGATION

Subject: Coalition for Safe and Sensible Zoning v. City of Palo Alto, et al. Santa Clara County Superior Court
Subject Authority: Government Code section 54956.9

3. CONFERENCE WITH CITY ATTORNEY -- EXISTING LITIGATION

Subject: California Capital Insurance Company v. City of Palo Alto, Santa Clara County Superior Court, Case No. 112-CV-218176
Subject Authority: Government Code section 54956.9

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Council returned from Closed Session at 7:15 p.m. Mayor Scharff announced there was no reportable action.

AGENDA CHANGES, ADDITIONS, AND DELETIONS

MOTION: Mayor Scharff moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Shepherd to continue Agenda Item Number 12 "Adoption of a Resolution Allowing the Implementation of a One-Year Trial No Overnight Parking (2AM-5AM) Program on Streets within the Crescent Park Neighborhood" to a date uncertain in August 2013 per Staff recommendation.

MOTION PASSED: 9-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Price to approve the minutes of May 6, May 13, May 20, and June 3, 2013.

MOTION PASSED: 9-0

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Price to approve Agenda Item Numbers 4-11 and 13-15.

4. Approval of Contract Amendment One to Contract S13149754 with Renne Sloan Holtzman Sakai LLP Public Law Group in the amount of \$60,000 for a total contract amount of \$90,000 and the extension of the contract until June 30, 2014.
5. Utilities Advisory Commission Recommendation that Council Approve Changes to the Performance Measures and Strategic Initiatives in the 2011 Utilities Strategic Plan.
6. Adoption of Resolution 9361 entitled "Resolution of the City of Palo Alto Establishing Fiscal Year 2013-14 Secured and Unsecured Property Tax Levy for the City of Palo Alto's General Obligation Bond Indebtedness (Measure N)".
7. Approval of Resolution 9362 entitled "Resolution of the City of Palo Alto Authorizing the City Manager to Submit a Grant Application to, and Accept on Behalf of the City of Palo Alto, a Grant of Funds Made

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by the County of Santa Clara for the Purpose of Emergency Management, Preparation, and Training”.

8. Adoption of an Ordinance Adding Chapter 2.06 to Title 2 of the Palo Alto Municipal Code to Restrict the Use of the City Seal and Other City Logos.
9. Adoption of an Ordinance Authorizing Electronic Signatures on Documents Used and Accepted by the City of Palo Alto.
10. Submittal of Mitchell Park Library and Community Center Bi-Monthly Construction Contract Report.
11. Adoption of a Resolution 9363 entitled “Resolution of the City of Palo Alto Authorizing the Filing of an Application for Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) Funding and Committing the Necessary Non-Federal Match and Stating the Assurance to Complete the Project for Street Resurfacing Project”.
12. ~~Adoption of a Resolution Allowing the Implementation of a One-Year Trial No Overnight Parking (2AM-5AM) Program on Streets within the Crescent Park Neighborhood.~~
13. Adoption of Resolution 9364 entitled “Resolution of the City of Palo Alto Authorizing the Filing of an Application for the Federal One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) Funding for the Adobe Creek/ Highway 101 Bridge Project and Committing the Necessary Non-Federal Match and Stating the Assurance to Complete the Project”.
14. Adoption of a Resolution 9365 entitled “Resolution of the City of Palo Alto Authorizing the Filing of an Application for Federal Vehicle Emissions Reductions Based At Schools (VERBS) Funding for the Arastradero Road Schoolscape – Multiuse Trail and Committing the Necessary Non-Federal Match and Stating the Assurance to Complete the Project”.
15. Approval of a Contract Amendment with Baker & Taylor in the Amount of \$390,000 to Purchase Library Materials for the City Library System.

MOTION PASSED to approve agenda item numbers 4-11 and 13-15: 9-0

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16. Public Hearing: Adoption of a Resolution 9366 entitled "Resolution of the City of Palo Alto Confirming Weed Abatement Report and Ordering Cost of Abatement to be a Special Assessment on the Respective Properties Described Therein".

MOTION: Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Price to adopt a Resolution confirming the Weed Abatement Report and ordering abatement costs to be a special assessment on the properties specified in the report.

MOTION PASSED: 9-0

17. Public Hearing: Approval of Ordinance Adding Section 9.06.010 to the Palo Alto Municipal Code to Prohibit Human Habitation of Vehicles.

MOTION: Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Price to approve the Policy & Services Committee Recommendation to; 1) amend Chapter 9.06 (Public Peace, Morals, and Safety) of the Palo Alto Municipal Code, by adding section 9.06.010, prohibiting the human habitation of vehicles (Attachment A), and 2) approve an ordinance roll out plan that will defer full implementation of the ordinance for six months (Attachment B).

AMENDMENT: Council Member Burt moved, seconded by Council Member Holman to; 1) have Staff initiate a Request for Proposal for non-profits to offer a program similar to an alternative model, such as Santa Barbara, California, 2) have Staff attempt to engage one or more neighboring cities or Santa Clara County to participate in the initiative, and 3) have the Human Relations Commission play a lead role in Palo Alto's efforts as a citizen advisory body.

AMENDMENT FAILED: 3-6 Burt, Berman, Holman yes

MOTION PASSED: 7-2 Berman, Holman no

Council Member Comments, Questions, and Announcements

Council Member Price reported that the Valley Transportation Authority's Bike Share Program will be implemented in August. She also participated in a meeting regarding the Palo Alto Transit Center sublease issues. The discussion to find a process regarding these issues was underway.

Council Member Berman spoke at a Hepatitis B event. He said everyone

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should get screened for Hepatitis B; screenings are often covered by health insurance. The Youth Community Service Camp was working with the community on various service projects benefitting the homeless, elderly, youth, and the environment.

Council Member Holman said the League of California Cities has a program called Let's Move and awarded Palo Alto a bronze medal for this program.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 p.m.