



# CITY OF PALO ALTO CITY COUNCIL FINAL ACTION MINUTES

Special Meeting  
August 12, 2013

The City Council of the City of Palo Alto met on this date in the Council Chambers at 6:08 P.M.

Present: Berman, Burt, Holman, Klein, Kniss, Price, Scharff, Schmid, Shepherd

Library Advisory Commissioners: Chin, Hochberg, Landauer, Moss, Train

Absent:

## STUDY SESSION

1. Potential List of Topics for Joint Meeting with the City Council and Library Advisory Commission.

## MINUTES APPROVAL

**MOTION:** Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Shepherd to approve the minutes of June 10 as amended, June 13, June 17, June 24, and June 28, 2013.

**MOTION PASSED:** 9-0

## CONSENT CALENDAR

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Shepherd moved, seconded by Council Member Schmid to approve Agenda Item Number Two.

2. Approval of Additional CDBG Entitlement Funds for Fiscal Year 2014 in the Amount of \$111,091 including an Additional Allocation of \$38,000 to Avenidas from the City's Federal Line of Credit and Adoption of Related Budget Amendment Ordinance 5203.

**MOTION PASSED:** 9-0

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## ACTION ITEMS

3. Resolution 9367 Entitled "Resolution of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Allowing the Implementation of a One-Year Trial No Overnight Parking (2AM-5AM) Program on Streets within the Crescent Park Neighborhood".

**MOTION:** Council Member Klein moved, seconded by Council Member Kniss to adopt a resolution authorizing Staff to implement a one-year trial for No Overnight Parking (2AM-5AM) program within certain street blocks of the Crescent Park Neighborhood.

**INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER** that the residential parking permits shall not exceed \$5 a night and if possible can be purchased online from the City.

**MOTION PASSED:** 9-0

4. Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 9.14 (Smoking Regulations) of the Municipal Code to Either Ban Smoking in all City Parks, or Ban Smoking in City Parks Except the Municipal Golf Course and a Designated Area at Mitchell, Greer and Rinconada parks; Increase No-Smoking Buffer Zones; and Make Findings.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Shepherd moved, seconded by Council Member Price to; Amend Chapter 9.14 (Smoking and Tobacco Regulations) of the Palo Alto Municipal Code, by adding Section 9.14.005 (Purpose), 2) Approve new Section 9.14.035 (Smoking Prohibited – Public Parks) (Attachment A), and 3) Amend Section 9.14.010 (Definitions) to increase the no-smoking buffer zone near public building entrances from 20 to 25 feet for consistency with LEED standards.

**AMENDMENT:** Council Member Schmid moved, seconded by Council Member Berman to accept smoking on the Palo Alto Municipal Golf Course.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Council Member Burt moved to approve Attachment B, establishing "to Establish New Smoking Restrictions for All Parks, with Exceptions for the Municipal Golf Course and Designated Smoking Zones at Greer, Rinconada and Mitchell Parks; Increase No-Smoking Buffer Zones from 20 to 25 feet for Consistency with LEED Standards; and Make Findings Regarding the Purpose of No-Smoking Regulations" per the majority recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Commission.

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## **SUBSTITUTE MOTION FAILED DUE TO LACK OF A SECOND**

**AMENDMENT FAILED:** 3-6, Burt, Berman, Schmid yes

**MOTION PASSED:** 8-1, Burt no

5. Review of the City of Palo Alto/ Neighbor's Abroad Sister Cities Program, Discussion of International Relationships Strategy, Authorization to Engage in a Non-Binding "Smart Cities Partnership Agreement" with the City of Heidelberg, Germany, and Direction on Exploring Future "Smart City" Partnerships.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Shepherd moved, seconded by Council Member Kniss to; 1) Authorize the Mayor to execute the attached "Smart Cities Partnership Agreement" (Attachment 5) with the City of Heidelberg, Germany at a ceremony to be held in October, 2013, 2) Discuss the Bay Area Council's invitation to the Mayor and/or other Council Members to represent the Council in the US-China Collaboration Symposium in October, 2013, with special focus on the Smart Cities Conference in Yangpu, Shanghai, 3) Direct staff to work with Stanford University to explore the creation of a Government Innovations and Entrepreneurship Fellowship, and 4) Direct staff to work in collaboration with Neighbors Abroad and other community volunteers to explore the addition of the "Smart City" concepts to existing Sister Cities who might be interested.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Council Member Holman moved, seconded by Council Member Klein to go forward with Staff recommendations 1 and 3 at this time; 1) Authorize the Mayor to execute the attached "Smart Cities Partnership Agreement" (Attachment 5) with the City of Heidelberg, Germany at a ceremony to be held in October, 2013 and 3) Direct staff to work with Stanford University to explore the creation of a Government Innovations and Entrepreneurship Fellowship.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION PASSED:** 7-2 Kniss, Shepherd no

6. From Policy & Services: Boards and Commissions Recruitment Program Ordinance, Resolution 9370, and Resolution 9371.

**MOTION:** Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Shepherd to approve the Policy and Services Committee recommendations to adopt an ordinance and resolutions (Attachment A) updating the Boards and Commissions Recruitment Program by; 1) realigning Board and Commission terms to match a biannual recruitment schedule, with the Human Relations Commission, Library Advisory Commission, Public Art Commission, and

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Utilities Advisory Commission recruitments in April each year and the Architectural Review Board, Historic Resources Board, Parks and Recreation Commission, Planning and Transportation Commission, and Storm Drain Oversight Committee recruitments in October of each year, 2) allowing for midterm resignations to be reviewed by Council on a case by case basis, 3) providing the City Clerk latitude on how to advertise in local media, 4) directing the City Clerk to continuously accept applications throughout the year, 5) encouraging Staff Liaisons and Commission Members to commit to participation in the Boards and Commission Recruitment Program, 6) directing the City Clerk to hold a trial volunteer fair inclusive of all applicable City Government volunteer opportunities, with a table for each Commission, hosted by the City in March 2014, and 7) directing the City Clerk to begin hosting in 2013 an annual Boards and Commissions Members recognition event.

**INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER** to add "create a training and mentoring program for new commissioners."

**INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER** to add language stating that each table at the Trial Volunteer Fair will be staffed by a Commissioner and or Staff Liaison.

**INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER** to add clarification of intent for Item Number 5 on the Motion, by adding "broadening potential applications to be drawn from a larger and more diverse section of the community."

**MOTION PASSED:** 9-0

## COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.