



# CITY OF PALO ALTO CITY COUNCIL ACTION

Special Meeting  
November 4, 2013

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

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

Absent:

## STUDY SESSION

1. Potential List of Topics for the Study Session with Santa Clara County Supervisor Joe Simitian.

## SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

2. Acknowledgement of Recipients of Mayor's "Green Leader Business Award".

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**MOTION:** Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Price to approve the minutes of September 30, 2013 and October 7, 2013.

**MOTION PASSED:** 9-0

## CONSENT CALENDAR

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Shepherd moved, seconded by Council Member Price to approve Agenda Item Numbers 3-8.

3. Resolution 9379 entitled "Resolution of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Repealing Resolution No. 9225 and Expanding the City Manager's Authority to Execute Transactions under the Master Renewable Energy Certificate Purchase and Sale Agreement with Thirteen Pre-qualified

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Suppliers in an Amount Not to Exceed \$5,000,000 per Year During Calendar Years 2013-2018.”

4. Staff Recommendation to Allow Special Promotional Golf Course Fees for the Palo Alto Municipal Golf Course (Golf Course) to Include: Loyalty Cards - Play 5 Rounds And Get 1 Free, Limited Two for One Green Fee Offers, Saturday and Sunday - Kids Play Free With One Paid Adult and Good Deed Gift Certificates.
5. Approval of a Utilities Electric Capital Improvement Fund Construction Contract with Express Energy Services Inc. in the Amount of \$761,164 to Supply and Install New Light Emitting Diode Street Lighting Luminaires.
6. Resolution 9380 entitled “Resolution of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Approving the City's Revised Sanitary Sewer Management Plan and Designating Certain Employee Classifications as Legally Responsible Officials.”
7. SECOND READING PARKING EXEMPTION ORDINANCE: Adoption of an Ordinance 5213 entitled “Ordinance of the Council of the City of Palo Alto to Repeal Ordinance 5167 and Amend the Palo Alto Municipal Code to Delete Sections 18.52.060(a)(2) and 18.52.060(c) Related to Parking Assessment Districts to Eliminate the “Exempt Floor Area” Parking Exemption Which Allows for Floor Area up to a Floor Area Ratio (FAR) of 1.0 to 1.0 to be Exempt From Parking Requirements Within the Downtown Parking Assessment Area and Floor Area up to an FAR of 0.5 to 1.0 to be Exempt Within the California Avenue Area Parking Assessment District”; and adoption of an Interim Ordinance 5214 entitled “Ordinance of the Council of the City of Palo Alto to Amend Chapters 18.18, Downtown Commercial (CD) District, and 18.52, (Parking and Loading Requirements) to Make the Following Changes to be Effective for a Period of Two Years: a. Delete Sections 18.18.070(a)(1), 18.18.090(b)(1)(C) and 18.52.070(a)(1)(D) to Eliminate the 200 Square Foot Minor Floor Area Bonus and Related Parking Exemption for Buildings not Eligible for Historic or Seismic Bonus. b. Delete Sections 18.18.090(b)(1)(B), 18.52.070(a)(1)(B) and 18.52.070(a)(1)(C)(i) to Eliminate the Parking Exemption for On-site Use of Historic and Seismic Bonus. c. Amend Section 18.18.080(g) to remove the On-site Parking Exemption for Historic and Seismic Transfer of Development Rights up to 5,000 Square Feet of Floor Area to a Receiver Site in the CD or PC Zoning Districts. d. Amend Section 18.52.070(a)( 3) related to Remove the Sentence Allowing Square Footage to Qualify for Exemption That Was Developed or Used

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Previously for Nonresidential Purposes but was Vacant at the time of the Engineer's Report. These actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15061 and 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines (First Reading: October 21, 2013 PASSED: 8-1 Kniss no)."

8. Recommendation From the Council Appointed Officers Committee to List a Salary Range in the Brochure for the City Auditor's Recruitment.

**MOTION PASSED:** 9-0

## ACTION ITEMS

9. Update from Rail Committee.

No Action Taken.

10. Rail Committee Recommendation on the Preliminary Cost Estimates for Grade Separation and Trenching Studies.

**MOTION:** Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Shepherd to recommend the City Manager enter into a contract with Hatch, Mott, McDonald (HMM) to perform Phase 1 of the additional grade separation design services as outlined on page 3 of the report to include Staff recommendations of: submerging the roadway at Churchill, Meadow, Charleston, while leaving Alma at-grade, trenching the corridor from San Antonio under Adobe Creek, Charleston, Meadow, and Barron Creek before coming back to the surface just prior to Matadero Creek.

**MOTION PASSED:** 7-2 Holman, Klein no

11. Approval of Outreach Plan to Solicit and Encourage Input from the Community on Palo Alto's Core Values.

**MOTION:** Council Member Berman moved, seconded by Council Member Kniss to accept Staff recommendation on the proposed outreach plan to solicit and encourage input from the community on Palo Alto's core values using Open City Hall, smart screens, and video concept as outlined in the staff report.

**INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER** to include direct solicitation to community groups, a form on the website, and face to face community outreach.

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ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 P.M.