The City Council of the City of Palo Alto met on this date in the Council Chambers at 6:10 P.M.

Present: Berman, Burt, DuBois arrived at 6:40 P.M., Filseth, Holman, Kniss, Scharff, Schmid, Wolbach arrived at 6:35 P.M.

Absent:

Study Session

1. Presentation From Stanford University Representatives Regarding a Project Filed With the County of Santa Clara to Reallocate and add New Housing Units.

Special Orders of the Day

2. Community Partner Presentation: Palo Alto Players at the Lucie Stern Community Theatre.


Agenda Changes, Additions and Deletions

None.

Consent Calendar

**MOTION:** Council Member DuBois moved, seconded by Council Member Berman, third by Council Member Holman to pull Agenda Item Number 5-Finance Committee Recommendation to Adopt a Resolution Continuing the Palo Alto Clean Local Energy Accessible Now (CLEAN)... to be heard on March 28, 2016.
MOTION: Vice Mayor Scharff moved, seconded by Council Member Kniss to approve Agenda Item Numbers 4, 6-10.

4. Resolution 9578 Entitled, “Resolution of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Approving a Power Purchase Agreement With Hecate Energy Palo Alto LLC for up to 75,000 Megawatt-hours per Year of Energy Over a Maximum of 40 Years for a Total Not-to-Exceed Amount of $101 Million.”

5. Finance Committee Recommendation to Adopt a Resolution Continuing the Palo Alto Clean Local Energy Accessible Now (CLEAN) Program and Decreasing the Contract Rate: (1) for Solar Resources to 8.9c/kWh to 9.0c/kWh, and (2) for Non-Solar Renewable Energy Resources to 8.1c/kWh to 8.2c/kWh; and Amending Associated Program Eligibility Rules and Power Purchase Agreement Accordingly.

6. Approval of Amendment One to Contract Number C15157200 With Walker Parking Consultants to add $29,330 for Design of Automatic Parking Guidance Systems (APGS) and Parking Access and Revenue Controls (PARCs); Approval of a Transfer of $29,330 From the University Avenue Parking Permit Fund to PL-15002 and Approval of Budget Amendments for PL-15002 in the Capital Fund and the University Avenue Parking Permit Fund.

7. Recommendation Regarding the use of the Remaining Library Bond Funds and De-commissioning the Library Bond Oversight Committee.

8. Approval of Amendment One to Contract Number S16155217, Utilities Underground Locating Contract With MDR Utility Locating Specialists, Inc. to Increase the Not-to-Exceed Amount by $75,000 Annually to $160,000 per Year, for a Total Not-to-Exceed Amount of $480,000 Over Three Years to Provide Utility Locating Services With the Underground Service Alert of Northern/Central California for Identifying and Marking the City of Palo Alto’s Underground Facilities.


**MOTION FOR AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS 4, 6-10 PASSED:** 9-0

**Action Items**

13. Discussion of Reallocation and Increase of Housing Units at Stanford University for Graduate Students and Possible Direction to Prepare a Comment Letter Regarding the Project to Santa Clara County.

Council Member DuBois advised he would not participate in this Agenda Item due to a source of income from Stanford University.

Council Member DuBois left the meeting at 8:05 P.M.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Scharff moved, seconded by Council Member Kniss to direct Staff to prepare a comment letter to Santa Clara County, for signature by the Mayor, supporting the Stanford housing project.

**INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER** to add to the Motion, “incorporating the following language, ‘construction of higher density infill housing near transit centers and jobs is precisely the type of project the Governor’s Office has determined will reduce vehicle miles traveled, and associated greenhouse gas emissions.’”

**INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER** to add to the Motion, “and include, ‘as project plans are developed, attention be paid to continuing the tree screening and ongoing Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) impacts mitigated at whichever threshold is more restrictive, those of the City of Palo Alto or the County of Santa Clara.’”
MOTION RESTATE: Vice Mayor Scharff moved, seconded by Council Member Kniss to direct Staff to prepare a comment letter to Santa Clara County, for signature by the Mayor, supporting the Stanford housing project, incorporating the following language, “construction of higher density infill housing near transit centers and jobs is precisely the type of project the Governor’s office has determined will reduce vehicle miles traveled, and associated greenhouse gas emissions.” And include, “as project plans are developed, attention be paid to continuing the tree screening and ongoing Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) impacts mitigated at whichever threshold is more restrictive, those of the City of Palo Alto or the County of Santa Clara.”

MOTION AS AMENDED PASSED: 8-0 DuBois not participating


Council Member DuBois returned to the meeting at 8:29 P.M.

At this time Council heard Agenda Item Number 11.

11. PUBLIC HEARING: Adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Approval of a Site and Design Review Application for a new Two-Story, 7,500 Square Foot, 50-Foot Tall Building Designed to Handle Sludge De-watering and Truck Load-outs, With Adjacent Stand-by Generator, and a new Outdoor Equipment Area Next to the Existing Incinerator, to be Placed Centrally on the Regional Water Quality Control Plant Site at 2501 Embarcadero Way.

Public Hearing opened at 10:17 P.M.

Staff requested Agenda Item Number 11 be continued to March 28, 2016.

At this time Council returned to Agenda Item Number 12.


MOTION: Vice Mayor Scharff moved, seconded by Council Member XX to direct Staff to:
DRAFT ACTION MINUTES

A. Return with options to provide affordable housing for moderate income government employees including funding options and any barriers to creation of such housing; and

B. Return with a program for micro-units Downtown, including decoupled parking, not selling parking permits, lease restrictions with minimum impacts, and how many units to include in a pilot; and

C. Return with a plan for more bike storage Downtown; and

D. Move housing sites from San Antonio Road to California Avenue and Downtown.

INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER to add to the Motion, “evaluate feasibility of these changes in the near term” after “direct Staff to.”

INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER to add at the end of the Motion Part B, “reevaluate the definition of mixed use retail and residential in select locations.”

INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER to add to the Motion, “return with options for ensuring existing housing is used for housing and not other uses or unused.” (New Part E)

MOTION PART D SEPARATED FROM THE MOTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING “move housing sites from San Antonio to California Avenue and Downtown.” (New Part F)

INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER to separate from the Motion Part B, “to reevaluate a new mixed use definition of residential and retail in select locations.” (New Part C)

MOTION RESTATED: Vice Mayor Scharff moved, seconded by Council Member DuBois to direct Staff to evaluate feasibility of these changes in the near term:
DRAFT ACTION MINUTES

A. Return with options to provide affordable housing for moderate income government employees including funding options and any barriers to creation of such housing; and

B. Return with a program for micro-units Downtown, including decoupled parking, not selling parking permits, lease restrictions with minimum impacts, how many units to include in a pilot; and

C. Reevaluate the definition of mixed use retail and residential in select locations; and

D. Return with a plan for more bike storage Downtown; and

E. Return with options for ensuring existing housing is used for housing and not other uses or unused.

F. Move housing sites from San Antonio Road to California Avenue and Downtown.

**MOTION PARTS A-E PASSED:** 8-1 Schmid no

**MOTION PART F PASSED:** 5-4 Berman, Filseth, Holman, Kniss no

Inter-Governmental Legislative Affairs

None.

Council Member Questions, Comments and Announcements

None.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 P.M.