The City Council of the City of Palo Alto met on this date in the Council Chambers at 6:39 P.M.

Present: DuBois, Filseth, Fine, Holman, Kniss, Kou, Scharff, Tanaka, Wolbach

Absent:

Study Session

1. Study Session With Santa Clara County Supervisor Simitian.

NO ACTION TAKEN

Action Items

1A. (Former Agenda Item Number 19) Finance Committee Recommends the City Council Approve the $4 Million in General Fund Savings and Approve Corresponding Budget Amendments in Various Funds and the Table of Organization (Continued From December 17, 2018 4:30 P.M. meeting).

MOTION: Council Member Scharff moved, seconded Vice Mayor Filseth to:

A. Amend the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Appropriation for various funds as identified by Staff;

B. Amend the Fiscal Year 2019 Table of Organization for the General Fund to:
   i. Eliminate 1.0 Performance Auditor I in the Office of the City Auditor;
   ii. Reduce 1.4 Building Serviceperson-Lead and reduce 0.75 Building Serviceperson positions; and

C. Amend the Fiscal Year Table of Organization for Other Funds to increase by 1.4 Building Serviceperson-Lead and increase by 0.75 Building Serviceperson.
MOTION PASSED: 8-1 Holman no

2. Discussion and Direction on the Status and use of the Roth Building, Extension of Fundraising Period With the Palo Alto History Museum, and Adoption of Resolution 9810 Entitled “Resolution of the Council of the City of Palo Alto for County Grant Application to use the Roth Building Consistent With Park use for 20 Years.”

MOTION: Mayor Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Holman to:

A. Extend the deadline by six months for the Palo Alto History Museum (PAHM) to achieve the goal of raising $1.75 million as set by Council in 2017 (to allow for validation of PAHM fundraising);

B. Direct Staff to revise and update the lease agreement between the Palo Alto History Museum and return to City Council in six months for approval; and

C. Adopt a Resolution designating the Roth Building as a park and committing to use the Roth Building consistent with park use for a period of no less than 20 years and making other representations to apply for historic preservation grant funds from the County of Santa Clara to rehabilitate the Roth Building roof.

INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER to add to the Motion a new Part D “Transfer the $665,000 of Sea Scout Building Transferable Development Rights (TDRs) proceeds to the Roth Building Rehabilitation Reserve Fund.”

AMENDMENT: Council Member Scharff moved, seconded by Mayor Kniss direct Staff to return to Council to dedicate $65,000 from the Council Contingency Fund to the Sea Scouts.

AMENDMENT PASSED: 7-2 Fine, Kou no

MOTION AS AMENDED RESTATED: Mayor Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Holman to:

A. Extend the deadline by six months for the Palo Alto History (PAHM) to achieve the goal of raising $1.75 million as set by Council in 2017 (to allow for validation of PAHM fundraising);

B. Direct Staff to revise and update the lease agreement between the Palo Alto History Museum and return to City Council in six months for approval;
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C. Adopt a Resolution designating the Roth Building as a park and committing to use the Roth Building consistent with park use for a period of no less than 20 years and making other representations to apply for historic preservation grant funds from the County of Santa Clara to rehabilitate the Roth Building roof;

D. Transfer the $665,000 of Sea Scout Building Transferable Development Rights (TDRs) proceeds to the Roth Building Rehabilitation Reserve Fund; and

E. Direct Staff to return to Council to dedicate $65,000 from the Council Contingency Fund to the Sea Scouts.

MOTION AS AMENDED PASSED: 9-0

3. Project Update on Connecting Palo Alto and Consider the Following Actions: a) Separate From Study all Alternatives for the Palo Alto Avenue Crossing (Closure and Hybrid) and Include Palo Alto Avenue in a Separate Comprehensive Planning Effort; b) Separate From Study the Bicycle and Pedestrian Crossing of the Caltrain Corridor in the Vicinity of Loma Verde Avenue and Assess Feasibility in a Future Study; c) Address the Rail Committee’s Recommendation Regarding a Deep Bore Tunnel by Modifying the Alternative to be South of California Avenue Only and Further Explore the Scope and Budget for an Alternative With Freight Trains on the Surface and Passenger Trains Underground for the Meadow and Charleston Crossings; and d) Adopt a Modified List of Grade Separation Alternatives.

Mayor Kniss advised she would not participate in this item as she owns property within 500 feet of this project. She left the meeting at 9:32 P.M.

Vice Mayor Filseth advised he would not participate in this item as his residence is within 500 feet of this project. He left the meeting at 9:32 P.M.

Council took a break at 9:32 P.M. and returned at 9:42 P.M.

MOTION: Council Member Fine moved, seconded by Council Member Scharff to continue this item to a date uncertain.

MOTION PASSED: 6-1 Wolbach no, Filseth, Kniss recused

Mayor Kniss and Vice Mayor Filseth returned at 10:51 P.M.

4. PUBLIC HEARING / QUASI-JUDICIAL: 429 University Avenue [18PLN-00240]: Appeal of the Planning and Community Environment Director’s Denial of a Minor Architectural Review Application for

Public Hearing was opened at 11:09 P.M.

Public Hearing was closed at 11:31 P.M.

**MOTION:** Council Member Fine moved, seconded by Mayor Kniss to modify the Director’s October 16, 2018 decision to provide for approval of all aspects of the architectural review application (18PLN00240) and approve the corresponding Record of Land Use Action included in the at-places memo dated December 17, 2018.

**AMENDMENT:** Council Member DuBois moved, seconded by Council Member Holman to require that approval be subject to the project matching what is being presented to the City Council tonight.

**AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN BY THE MAKER**

**AMENDMENT:** Council Member Scharff moved, seconded by Council Member Holman to use the lighter color scheme for the concrete.

**AMENDMENT PASSED:** 9-0

**MOTION AS AMENDED RESTATE:** Council Member Fine moved, seconded by Mayor Kniss to modify the Director’s October 16, 2018 decision to provide for approval of all aspects of the architectural review application (18PLN00240), approve the corresponding Record of Land Use Action included in the at-places memo dated December 17, 2018, and use the lighter color scheme for the concrete.

**MOTION AS AMENDED PASSED:** 6-3 DuBois, Holman, Kou no

5. Approval of Annual Amendments to the Employment Agreements Between the City of Palo Alto and Council Appointed Officers.

**MOTION:** Mayor Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member DuBois to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the following contract amendments for Council Appointed Officers:

A. Amendment Number Six to Employment Agreement between the City of Palo Alto and Molly S. Stump;
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B. Amendment Number Four to Employment Agreement between the City of Palo Alto and Harriet M. Richardson; and

C. Amendment Number Four to Employment Agreement between the City of Palo Alto and Beth D. Minor.

MOTION PASSED: 9-0

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:42 A.M.