



CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES

Special Meeting
March 15, 2021

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

Participating Remotely: Burt, Cormack, DuBois, Filseth, Kou, Stone, Tanaka

Absent:

Closed Session

1. CONFERENCE WITH CITY ATTORNEY
Subject: Written Liability Claim Against the City of Palo Alto
By Joel Domingo Alejo (Claim No. C20-0037)
Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(e)(3).

MOTION: Council Member Filseth moved, seconded by Council Member Cormack to go into Closed Session.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

Council went into Closed Session at 5:06 P.M.

Council returned from Closed Session at 6:46 P.M.

Mayor DuBois announced no reportable action.

Special Orders of the Day

2. Presentation by the Palo Alto Player and Proclamation.

NO ACTION TAKEN

Agenda Changes, Additions and Deletions

MOTION: Mayor DuBois moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Burt to continue Agenda Item Number 6A, "PUBLIC HEARING: Finance Committee Recommends the City Council Approve the Park, Community, and Library Development Impact Fee Justification Study..." to a date uncertain.

MOTION PASSED: 6-1 Cormack no

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Minutes Approval

3. Approval of Action Minutes for the March 1, 2021 City Council Meeting.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Burt moved, seconded by Mayor DuBois to approve the Action Minutes for the March 1, 2021 City Council Meeting.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

Consent Calendar

MOTION: Council Member Cormack moved, seconded by Council Member Stone to approve Agenda Item Numbers 4-6.

4. Authorize Transmittal of the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Annual Progress Report to the Office of Planning and Research and the 2020 Housing Element Annual Progress Report to the Department of Housing and Community Development.
5. Adoption of an Ordinance Adopting an Administrative Amendment to the 2019 California Fire Code, Palo Alto Municipal Code Section 15.04.075 (Definitions Added to Section 202).
6. Ordinance 5518 Entitled, "Ordinance of the Council of the City of Palo Alto to Rename Foothills Park to Foothills Nature Preserve; to Adjust Attendance Limits at the Preserve; and to Amend the Fiscal Year 2021 Municipal Fee Schedule to add new Daily Entry Discounts and Annual Pass Fees at the Preserve (FIRST READING: February 22, 2021 PASSED 7-0)."

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

Action Items

Mayor DuBois advised that Agenda Item Number 8 will be heard before Agenda Item Number 7.

- ~~6A. PUBLIC HEARING: Finance Committee Recommends the City Council Approve the Park, Community, and Library Development Impact Fee Justification Study; Approve Adjustments to Park, Community Center, and Library Development Impact Fees; Adopt an Ordinance Updating Park Land In-lieu fees; and Direct Staff to Implement the Impact Fee Updates With the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget (Continued From March 8, 2021).(This item is continued to a date uncertain.)~~

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8. Approval of the Response to the Grand Jury Report "Why Aren't There More Female Fire Fighters in Santa Clara County".

MOTION: Council Member Filseth moved, seconded by Mayor DuBois to approve the City's response to the 2019-2020 Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury Report entitled, "Why Aren't There More Female Firefighters in Santa Clara County".

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

Council took a break at 8:17 P.M. and returned at 8:28 P.M.

7. PUBLIC HEARING/QUASI JUDICIAL: Castilleja School Project 1310 Bryant: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Amendment to Increase the Student Enrollment cap to 540 Students With Phased Enrollment and Campus Redevelopment, a Variance to Replace Campus Gross Floor Area and Architectural Review Approval of the Campus Redevelopment. Zone District: R-1(10,000). Environmental Review: Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Published July 30, 2020; Draft EIR Published July 15, 2019.

MOTION: Council Member Kou moved, seconded by Council Member Cormack to discuss the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) portion of this item before other items.

MOTION PASSED: 5-2 DuBois, Filseth no

MOTION: Vice Mayor Burt moved, seconded by Council Member Stone to direct Staff to:

- A. Treat the underground parking facility as an underground garage and not as a basement; and
- B. Return to Council with an alternative text change counting all the underground garage as floor area;
 - i. Return to Council with an alternative of not counting floor area or partially counting floor area; and
 - ii. Evaluate the implication of the text change on other properties in R-1 zones.

INCORPORATED INTO THE MOTION WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MAKER AND SECONDER to direct Staff to have an independent analysis of the existing floor area both above and below ground. (New Part C)

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SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Council Member Tanaka moved, seconded by Council Member Kou to continue this item to March 29, 2021.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION FAILED: 2-5 Burt, Cormack, DuBois, Filseth, Stone no

MOTION AS AMENDED: Vice Mayor Burt moved, seconded by Council Member Stone to direct Staff to:

- A. Treat the underground parking facility as an underground garage and not as a basement;
- B. Return to Council with an alternative text change counting all the underground garage as floor area;
 - i. Return to Council with an alternative of not counting floor area or partially counting floor area; and
 - ii. Evaluate the implication of the text change on other properties in R-1 zones; and
- C. Have an independent analysis of the existing floor area both above and below ground.

MOTION AS AMENDED PASSED: 4-3 Cormack, Filseth, Tanaka no

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:19 A.M.

ATTEST:

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Beth Minor

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City Clerk

APPROVED:

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J DuBois

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Mayor

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