The City Council of the City of Palo Alto met on this date in virtual teleconference at 5:01 P.M.

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

Absent: None

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. Adoption of Resolution 9989 Expressing Appreciation to Geoffrey Wong Upon His Retirement.

   MOTION: Mayor DuBois moved, seconded by Council Member Kou to adopt a Resolution Expressing Appreciation to Geoffrey Wong Upon His Retirement.

   MOTION PASSED: 7-0

2. Proclamation for Suicide Prevention Awareness Month.

   NO ACTION TAKEN

3. Neighbors Abroad.

   NO ACTION TAKEN

CLOSED SESSION

4. CONFERENCE WITH CITY ATTORNEY-EXISTING LITIGATION
   Subject: Green v. City of Palo Alto, et al. Santa Clara County Superior Court Case No. 16CV300760 Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

   AA1. CONFERENCE WITH CITY ATTORNEY-POTENTIAL LITIGATION
   Subject: Arbitration of Employee Discipline Matters
   Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) Two Potential Matters, as Defendant.
MOTION: Council Member Cormack moved, seconded by Council Member Filseth to go into Closed Session.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

Council adjourned to Closed Session at 5:33 P.M.

Council reconvened from Closed Session at 7:35 P.M.

Mayor DuBois announced Green vs Palo Alto, Council voted to authorize an appeal and that the City issue an explanation on the item.

AGENDA CHANGES, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Mayor DuBois announced Item 7 was been withdrawn by the applicant.

Mayor DuBois advised that Item 9 is time sensitive and will start no later than 10 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSENT CALENDAR

Vice Mayor Burt registered a no vote on Agenda Item Number 6.

Council Member Tanaka registered a no vote on Agenda Item Number 6.

MOTION: Mayor DuBois moved, seconded by Council Member Cormack to approve Agenda Item Numbers 5-6.

5. Approval of Minutes from August 23, 2021.


MOTION PASSED ITEM 5: 7-0
MOTION PASSED ITEM 6: 5-2, Burt, Tanaka no
ACTION MINUTES

ACTION ITEMS


8. PUBLIC HEARING: Staff recommend the City Council review the North Ventura Coordinated Area Plan (NVCAP) alternatives, take public comment, and determine the preferred alternative.

Public Hearing opened at 8:20 P.M.

Public Hearing closed at 9:01 P.M.

The City Council suspended consideration of the item at 10:05 P.M. and continued at 10:20 P.M.

MOTION: Mayor DuBois, seconded by Council Member Filseth to direct Staff to develop a preferred scenario with the following parameters:

A. For Housing, to follow Alternative 1 plus going to a 50 ft height in designated areas;

B. For Office, to follow Alternative 1 and evaluate the need for amortization of some office uses;

C. For Retail, incentivizing retail through parking requirements and other ways to encourage (or require) some ground floor retail on El Camino and Park Blvd;

D. For Park and Open Space, to focus on pursuing a naturalized creek, Alternative 1 for other buffers, parks, bike paths, and opportunities for park space in the plan area;

E. Maintain a maximum 50 ft height limit with exception for 100% affordable housing, and consider other incentives for affordable housing;

F. Allow higher density housing on the two largest properties in the NVCAP;
ACTION MINUTES

G. Adaptive reuse of the historic structures subject to CEQA;

H. Request Staff to return with a recommendation on residential parking requirements based on the existing Fehrs and Peers study and other context-based conditions;

I. Commercial parking with a blended rate of 1 per 250 sq. ft;

J. Staff to minimize additional expenditures needed to complete the NVCAP;

K. Request Staff to return with a researched revision or set of alternatives for jobs created per 1000 sq. ft of office; and

L. Direct Staff to engage with the large property owners in order to meet the goals of this motion.

MOTION SPLIT FOR THE PURPOSE VOTING

MOTION PARTS B, E, I, K PASSED: 5-2, Cormack, Tanaka no

MOTION PARTS A, C, D, F-H, J PASSED: 6-1, Cormack no


City Council adjourned to break at 10:06 P.M. and returned at 10:12 P.M.

MOTION: Council Member Kou moved, seconded by Council Member Stone to authorize Staff to submit the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report to the Department of Housing and Urban Development by the September 30, 2021 deadline.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 P.M.
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