



City of Palo Alto
City Council Staff Report

(ID # 7456)

Report Type: Special Orders of the Day Meeting Date: 11/14/2016

Summary Title: Parks and Recreation Commission Resolutions

Title: Adoption of Resolutions Expressing Appreciation to Abbie Knopper, Ed Lauing, and Jennifer Hetterly Upon Completion of Their Terms as Parks and Recreation Commissioners

From: City Manager

Lead Department: Community Services

Resolutions are attached.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Abbie Knopper Parks and Rec Commission (DOC)
- Attachment B: Ed Lauing Parks and Rec Commissioner (DOC)
- Attachment C: Jennifer Hetterly Parks and Rec Commissioner (DOC)

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PALO ALTO EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO
ABBIE KNOPPER, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER**

WHEREAS, Abbie Knopper served as a Parks and Recreation Commissioner from February 2013 through December 2016; and

WHEREAS, Abbie Knopper served as Vice Chairperson to the Commission for one year, providing leadership and support to the Commission, and always ensuring inclusive and productive meetings; and

WHEREAS, Abbie Knopper provided dedicated service to the residents and businesses of this community by approving numerous City Ordinances related to park improvements and facility use and contributing to the preservation of the tremendous natural resources of Palo Alto; and

WHEREAS, Abbie Knopper provided guidance and insight in the evaluation of 7.7 acres at Foothills Park, the exploration of shared use dog parks and the development of the Parks, Trails, Natural Open Space, and Recreation Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, Abbie Knopper volunteered her time on extra assignments as a Commissioner by participating on ad-hoc subcommittees charged with advancing policies and projects to provide more opportunities for shared use of Palo Alto parks; and

WHEREAS, Abbie Knopper's consideration of concerns raised by the public, her respectful and appreciative attitude toward Staff, her willingness to listen to different points of view made by Staff and the Commission until consensus is reached, and in her values of preserving Palo Alto's natural environment resulted in formal policy recommendations to the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Palo Alto desires to recognize the meritorious service of Abbie Knopper by commending her outstanding public service and recording its appreciation, as well as the appreciation of the citizens of this community, for the services and contributions rendered.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: NOVEMBER 14, 2016

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Clerk

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

City Manager

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PALO ALTO EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO
ED LAUING, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER**

WHEREAS, Ed Lauing served as a Parks and Recreation Commissioner from February 2010 through December 2016; and

WHEREAS, Ed Lauing served as Chairperson to the Commission for three years, providing leadership and support to the Commission, and always ensuring inclusive and productive meetings; and

WHEREAS, Ed Lauing provided dedicated service to the residents and businesses of this community by approving numerous City Ordinances related to park improvements and facility use and contributing to the successful completion of projects while protecting the valued natural resources of Palo Alto, including El Camino Park Renovation, and the creation of 10.5 acres in the Palo Alto Baylands, while building a world class golf course sensitively integrated into the Baylands ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, Ed Lauing provided guidance and insight in the development of the Parks, Trails, Recreation and Natural Open Space Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, Ed Lauing volunteered his time for extra assignments as a Commissioner by participating on numerous ad-hoc subcommittees charged with advancing specific projects and policies related to parks and recreation including, but not inclusive of, capital improvement projects, El Camino Park and the golf course renovation; and

WHEREAS, Ed Lauing's consideration of concerns raised by the public, his respectful attitude toward Staff, his leadership and collaboration skills, his willingness to listen to different points of view made by Staff and the Commission, along with his efforts to enhance Palo Alto's parks and recreation system while protecting the natural environment, resulted in formal policy recommendations to the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Palo Alto desires to recognize the meritorious service of Ed Lauing by commending his outstanding public service and recording its appreciation, as well as the appreciation of the citizens of this community for the services and contributions rendered.

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**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PALO ALTO EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO
JENNIFER HETTERLY, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER**

WHEREAS, Jennifer Hetterly served as a Parks and Recreation Commissioner from February 2010 through December 2016; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Hetterly served as Chairperson to the Commission for two years, providing leadership and support to the Commission, always ensuring inclusive and productive meetings; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Hetterly provided dedicated service to the residents and businesses of this community by approving numerous City Ordinances related to park improvements and facility use, and spearheading greater commission engagement, expertise and influence in cross-cutting planning efforts, including the Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan, Urban Forest Master Plan, and Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Hetterly helped launch and provided guidance and insight in the development of the Parks, Trails, Recreation and Natural Open Space Master Plan, including reviewing, commenting and drafting multiple versions of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Hetterly volunteered her time on extra assignments as a Commissioner by participating on numerous ad-hoc subcommittees charged with advancing specific projects and policies related to parks and recreation including, but not inclusive of: community gardens, dog parks and athletic field policies, community center regulations, Byxbee Park Trail Project, and future planning for Cubberley Community Center; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Hetterly's consideration of concerns raised by the public, her respectful attitude toward Staff, her willingness to listen to different points of view made by Staff and the Commission and her attention to detail and tireless efforts to ensure parks and recreation facilities and services are accessible to all residents of Palo Alto, resulted in formal policy recommendations to the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Palo Alto desires to recognize the meritorious service of Jennifer Hetterly by commending her outstanding public service and recording its appreciation, as well as the appreciation of the citizens of this community for the services and contributions rendered.

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