

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY MINUTES Tuesday, December 2, 2003 7:00 p.m. 801 Laurel Street, Menio Park, CA 94025 Menio Park City Council Chamber

7:00 p.m. REGULAR MEETING (Menlo Park City Council Chamber)

- ROLL CALL Jellins, Duboc, Kinney, Winkler. Council Member Collacchi was absent.
- **STAFF PRESENT** David Boesch, City Manager; William McClure, City Attorney; Audrey Seymour, Assistant City Manager; Silvia Vonderlinden, City Clerk. Various department heads and other City staff were present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS - None

B. COMMISSION VACANCIES AND REPORTS

1. There is one vacancy on the Transportation Commission to fill an un-expired term ending July 2006. The deadline for receipt of applications is 5:30 pm on December 29, 2003.

Mayor Jellins announced the vacancy and encouraged the public to apply.

2. Council Member Reports.

None.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT #1 (Limited to 30 minutes)

Laura Fanucchi representing the HIP Housing thanked the Council for its support and provided a 2004 calendar to each Council Member. Ms. Fanucchi stated that these calendars are used as an outreach tool. Ms. Fanucchi stated that her organization helps many Menlo Park residents.

Hank Lawrence stated that in his opinion the City of Menlo Park has a large list of "wants" however the resources are limited. Mr. Lawrence suggests that Council look at funding and prioritize items that are important and will benefit all of the Menlo Park residents.

D. CONSENT CALENDAR - None

E. PUBLIC HEARING - None

F. REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Presentation of a plaque to the outgoing Mayor.

Ms. Duboc presented Mayor Jellins with a plaque recognizing his work as Mayor. Mayor Pro Tem Duboc thanked Mayor Jellins for his professionalism and dedication to Menlo Park.

Mayor Jellins gave a speech stating how much he has enjoyed his public service and how he has focused on building consensus and making decisions that lead to the public good. Mr. Jellins thanked the Council for having respect for each other, even when there were divergent views. Mr. Jellins read a list of accomplishments for 2003 that included a variety of items. Mayor Jellins thanked City Manager David Boesch, and City Attorney William McClure for their help and guidance, as well as all members of the City staff including Audrey Seymour (Assistant City Manager), Chris Boyd (Police Chief), Uma Chokkalingam (Finance Director), Kent Steffens (Public Works Director), and the public in general for their support

2. Selection of Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore.

Mayor Jellins handed the floor over to City Clerk Vonderlinden for the selection of the new Mayor:

City Clerk Vonderlinden opened the floor for nominations:

Mayor Jellins nominated Mayor Pro Tem Duboc for the position of Mayor of Menlo Park.

M/S Jellins/Winkler to close nominations for Mayor of Menlo Park. Motion carries unanimously with one Council Member absent (Collacchi).

Vote on the nomination of Mayor Pro Tem Duboc to Mayor of Menlo Park.

The motion passes with four votes in favor and one absent.

The new Mayor of Menlo Park is Lee Duboc.

Mayor Duboc opened nominations for the position of Mayor Pro Tem.

Council Member Jellins nominates Council Member Winkler for the Mayor Pro Tem position.

M/S Winkler/Duboc to close nominations for the position of Mayor Pro Tem. The motion passes with four votes in favor and one absent.

Vote on the nomination of Council Member Winkler to Mayor Pro Tem.

The motion passes with four votes in favor and one absent (Collacchi).

The new Mayor Pro Tem is Mickie Winkler

Mayor Pro Tem Winkler gave a brief speech thanking Council Members for their votes. Ms. Winkler also thanked the residents of Menlo Park for their involvement in City policy. Mayor Pro Tem Winkler expressed appreciation for City staff that works through so many changes. Ms. Winkler recognized former Mayor Jellins for his leadership.

Mayor Duboc thanked Council Members for their votes and especially former Mayor Jellins for his guidance, mentorship and friendship. Ms. Duboc thanked each Council for making an effort to work together. She appreciates the work of City staff.

Ms. Duboc shared her vision, which includes updating the City's vision and goals to fit the 21st Century, appointing Council Liaisons to each City Commission to improve coordination and working more closely with the Advisory Bodies. Ms. Duboc would also like to streamline commercial permitting to make this process easier on businesses, maintain fiscal stability by continuing to have a triple A bond rating, encourage residents to Shop Menlo and Eat in Menlo Park, focus on a traffic policy that has common sense, and focus on after school recreation.

Ms. Duboc assures the public that when they come before Council they will be treated with respect and courtesy and she hopes everyone will feel free to come and address the Council because she believes in participatory democracy.

 Consideration of state and federal legislative items or items referred to in Written Communications or Information Items, including decisions to support or oppose any such legislative, written communication or information item.

G. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION - None

H. INFORMATION ITEM - None

I. PUBLIC COMMENT #2 (Limited to 30 minutes)

Harry Harrison congratulated Ms. Duboc on her Mayoral designation. Mr. Harrison said he was impressed with the Mayor this year and he hopes the same tone will be kept during the next term. Mr. Harrison appreciates the unanimous votes versus divisive votes.

Al Filice thanked former Mayor Jellins and the whole Council for moving towards a more positive approach at Council Meetings. Mr. Filice congratulated new Mayor Duboc and Mayor Pro Tem Winkler for their new positions. Mr. Filice enjoyed the City Council last year and hopes the same tone continues.

J. ADJOURNMENT – the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. to a reception at the administration building conference room.

Respectfully submitted

Silvia M. Vonderlinden

Approved at the City Council Meeting of January 13, 2004.