



# CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY MINUTES

Tuesday, March 20, 2007  
7:00 p.m.

701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025  
Menlo Park City Council Chambers

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

**ROLL CALL** - Fergusson, Cohen, Boyle, Cline, Robinson

Mayor Fergusson announced that this meeting is being held in honor of Barbara Mouton, first Mayor of East Palo Alto. Mayor Fergusson provided details on the upcoming memorial services.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Staff present - Interim City Manager Steffens, City Attorney McClure, Acting Assistant City Manager Heineck, and City Clerk Vonderlinden. Other city staff was present in the audience.

## **A. COMMISSION VACANCIES AND REPORTS**

1. There will be one vacancy on the Planning Commission to fill an expiring term that ends April 2007. The deadline for applications is Wednesday, March 28, 2007.
2. There will be three vacancies on the Bicycle Commission to fill expiring terms that end April 2007. The deadline for applications is Wednesday, March 28, 2007.

Mayor Fergusson announced the vacancies for the various commissions.

3. Commission member and Chamber of Commerce reports.

Betty Meissner, Menlo Park representative to the Library Foundation, invited the Council and City Manager to a Library Issues Breakfast on May 12, 2007 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The speaker at that event will be Dr. Robert Martin.

## **B. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

1. Presentation by David Bohannon of development plans for 101-155 Constitution Drive and 100-190 Independence Drive.

Mayor Fergusson introduced David Bohannon, President and CEO of the David D. Bohannon Organization, who introduced the project to the Council. Tom Gillman, with DES Architects, addressed the Council and provided specific details on the elements of the proposed project. Mr. Gillman explained various features such as the pedestrian use, multiple pathways that aim to connect Bayfront Park to the site, and the surrounding water elements. Scott Bickerd, with Marriott International, shared the concept of a renaissance club sport which is a boutique hotel that includes a hotel, fitness and spa resort. He explained the key components of the project which include 206 rooms, nine treatment rooms and a sports club that will be open to members, hotel guests and the public. He provided details on the meeting and banquet spaces. Mr. Bohannon thanked Council for its time and interest in the project.

Council Member Cline asked about the number of projected users of the gym and Mr. Bickerd said that they will sell about 5,000 memberships.

Mayor Fergusson inquired about the meeting space, and Mr. Bickerd responded that there will be a junior ball room which will break into three sections and probably three other board rooms. He noted the existence of social space that will be utilized by guests, gym users and the public.

Council Member Boyle wanted clarification on the linkage between the two uses. Mr. Bohannon said that architecturally they will be similar and the pedestrian paths will unite the two uses. Mayor Fergusson asked why the hotel is located by the freeway versus Bayfront Park. Mr. Bohannon said that the hotel would benefit from the exposure to the freeway traffic.

Council Member Robinson asked about the elements in the project that the public can use. The architect explained that there are a combination of paths and plazas that are designed for public use. Mr. Bohannon added that PG&E has an easement along the eastern edge of the property consequently putting the building along Constitution Drive allows better coordination with the easements that are in place. Council Member Boyle asked about plans for retail. Mr. Bohannon said that at the moment 10,000 square feet is being reserved for such use but this is still in the development stages.

### **C. PUBLIC COMMENT #1**

Elizabeth Lasensky shared her disappointment at the outcome of the discussion on the proposal project at 1300 El Camino Real. She asked Council to work with the developer and bring the matter back. She commented that there are over 500 people looking for below market rate housing units.

### **D. CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Authorization of the Public Works Director to accept the work by Precision Emprise, Inc., for the fiscal year 2006-07 Sidewalk Trip Hazard Removal Project. (Staff Report #07-045)
2. Approval of minutes for the Special City Council meeting of February 12, 2007 (attachment); and the minutes of the City Council meeting of February 13, 2007. (attachment)

**M/S Cline/Boyle to approve the Consent Calendar including the amended minutes. Motion carries 5-0-0.**

### **E. PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Consideration of Resolution No. 5729 amending the City's Master Fee Schedule to incorporate proposed changes in fees to become effective immediately for the following departments: Community Services, Library, Police, Community Development, and Public Works. (Staff Report #07-044)

Carol Augustine, Finance Director, provided an overview of the master fee schedule and explained that this is an annual approval process. She explained the timing issues related to the fee and the cost allocation studies.

Council inquired about the fees for the Planning Department. Council discussed the pass through fees. Council Member Robinson asked when the cost allocation study would be finished and Ms. Augustine said that it would be finished in June. He asked if the fees will be looked at again and staff said that they could be reviewed at that time.

Council Member Boyle asked about the pool fees and Mr. McClure said that the City does not manage those fees. Mr. McClure noted that when the group has fee changes, they are submitted to Community Services for review. The City Manager has certain authority to determine how reasonable the proposed fees are. Council Member Boyle inquired about the Library fees and Susan Holmer, Library Director, responded with data about the checking out patterns of Menlo Park patrons. She added that based on previous circulation the removal of the CD fee, will represent approximately \$40,000 in lost revenue. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen asked about Project Read and if these funds impact that program. Ms. Holmer said that Project Read is not part of the General Fund.

Mayor Fergusson asked about fees for solar panels and how to incentivize those. Interim City Manager Steffens said that Council could discuss the matter and provide direction.

Mayor Fergusson opened the public comment period. There was none.

**M/S Robinson/Cline close the public hearing. Motion carries 5-0-0.**

Council Member Boyle commented that he was frustrated that the fee and cost allocation studies are not complete. He is disappointed at the timing because it was an important piece of information to understand the cost structure. He commented that this matter should be revisited as soon as the cost study is complete. Council Member Robinson agreed and considered tabling the matter until all the information is available.

Mayor Fergusson asked for Council comments on the specific fees for Community Services. Council Member Cline asked if these fees were increased last year and Ms. Augustine confirmed that they were. Council Member Boyle expressed his comfort in increasing the fees because current rates are far from the market rate. Council Member Boyle asked about the tennis fee increases and Ms. Augustine said that these fees are not being increased this year but were last year.

Mayor Fergusson asked about the Belle Haven fees and the subsidies that are provided. She asked if these are offered to non-residents as well and Michael Taylor, Senior Manager, confirmed that to be the case. Council Member Robinson asked if the City is required to provide the services based on need, and Mr. Taylor said that for this particular program it is at Council discretion. No changes are proposed at this time.

Mayor Fergusson was disappointed to read in the staff report that there are no toddlers in the Menlo Children's Program. She believes that because of the room size in the renovated building, families with toddlers are not being served. Council Member Boyle asked if the public will push back on these fee increases and Mr. Steffens explained that in previous years there have been comments at the public hearing. Mr. Steffens said that the recommended fee increases are small.

Council Member Boyle spoke about the reduction or elimination of the fee for solar panels and after speaking with other cities his recommendation is to offer a rebate after the equipment is installed. Council Member Robinson asked about the actual fee for this matter and Justin Murphy, Community Development Acting Director, said that the fee depends on the value of the work but it is around \$500 for installation. Mayor Fergusson supports the idea of a rebate.

Regarding Public Works fees, Mayor Fergusson commented that the fee is low for the downtown permits. She would like to revisit the issue. Mayor Fergusson asked about the water rates and Ruben Nino, Acting Public Works Director, said that these are based on a study that was done. Mr. Nino said that without this rate increase the expenditures will exceed the revenues and that the goal is to catch up and anticipate what San Francisco water rates will be. Council Member Boyle commented that he would rather take set the fee at the peak rate.

**M/S Robinson/Boyle to adopt Resolution No. 5729 with an amendment from Council Member Boyle to review the matter after the study is complete.**

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen asked to direct staff to compare the new rates to the results of the study in that report to Council. Mayor Fergusson agreed with that approach but noted that there will be a need for a larger policy discussion. Finance Director Augustine said that when the two studies come forward these fees can be looked at. Council Member Boyle wants to have a discussion about what is being subsidized and Council Member Robinson agreed with that being a friendly amendment to the motion.

**City Attorney McClure reworded the motion to include adoption of Resolution No. 5729 as proposed in the staff report and direction to staff to return to the City Council with the cost allocation and the fee studies at which point the Council can revisit all of the fees and provide appropriate direction to staff. Motion carries 5-0-0.**

**F. REGULAR BUSINESS**

1. Consideration of an alternative Below Market Rate (BMR) housing agreement for the approved residential development located at 75 Willow Road. (Staff Report #07-046)

Tracy Cramer, Housing Manager, presented the report.

Council Member Boyle asked if consideration have been given to eliminating all five BMR units at the Willow Road site and using incremental increase in funds for the Habitat or other low-income housing project. Ms. Cramer explained that staff believes it is important to have a diversity of housing types throughout the community which providing two units at the Willow Road site helps to achieve, but the option is something Council could consider. Ms. Cramer commented that with an accumulation of funds Council would need to explore use of the funds. Council Member Cline asked about the number of low-income units in existence in Menlo Park and Ms. Cramer said that the City has 28 BMR units available to moderate-income buyers. City Attorney McClure explained that the only low and very low-income project that has been completed in Menlo Park is along the Willow Road frontage road and this was 25 years ago.

Mary Boughton, with Peninsula Habitat for Humanity, provided details on the issue of the rail and the sound wall and her excitement at moving forward with this collaborative effort with SummerHill Homes.

Council Member Robinson asked about the environmental impacts and the planned rail project. Mr. McClure said that as an actively proposed project the City is required to include the rail project as part of the Environmental Impact Report.

Elaine Breeze, with SummerHill Homes, is the applicant and is appreciative of this opportunity and the dialogue that has taken place.

Maria M. Novas Trujillo, through a translator, said that it has been seven years since she has applied for a BMR home. She lives in a garage with her family and she hopes to have a home for her kids. She believes a home will help her kids in school, and she asks Council to help her and other families that are in the same circumstances.

Nicholas Szceda said that he has been on the BMR list for many years. He is a City employee and this would greatly help his family.

Patty Boyle, Chair of the Housing Commission, said that there is a documented past and a future need for BMR units.

Robbie Turner, representing Menlo Park Presbyterian church, spoke about the need for BMR housing in Menlo Park. She said that there are already 200 people who will help with the Peninsula Habitat Community April event. He supports low income ownership in Menlo Park.

Antony Sargent, a member of the Presbyterian Church, said that a lot of the members of the church are excited about partnering with Peninsula Habitat for Humanity and working with family members. He is really impressed with the work ethics of these families.

Harlan Wendell is on the Board of Peninsula Habitat, and he is excited about the proposal. He hopes Council will approve it.

June La Barre said she lives in Suburban Park and she spoke about the costs of housing. Ms. La Barre spoke about joining Habitat in 2001 and that they have built houses that impacted many kids' lives. She spoke about the people who will benefit from this program and their hard work.

Mary Boughton thanked the Menlo Park Presbyterian Church for its efforts and she thanked the City for this opportunity. She believes this ownership will change people's lives. She addressed the subsidy that Peninsula Habitat will provide and she hopes Council approves these 22 homes that will benefit applicants who have waited for many years on the list.

Matilda Sanchez, with the assistance of an interpreter, thanked Habitat for Humanity for the home she got. It is a four bedroom with two bathrooms and the whole family worked hard towards this home. She hopes other families have the same opportunity to have a home in Menlo Park, because it is a very meaningful thing. She said that there are many families in Menlo Park that need a home.

Maricela Rodriguez said she has been working for seven years to help her community, and she has been trying to get a home. She said that her daughter also helped distribute flyers to disseminate information about the BMR program. She keeps encouraging her daughter and is hopeful that one day they will have a house. Her daughter said that she sleeps in the living room because she does not have a bedroom.

Council Member Robinson commented on the cost of the sound wall and how he wished the money could be used for more housing. City Attorney McClure responded that as the project proceeds through the review process, if a wall is not required, the Council would be able to consider how to use the savings for housing. Council Member Boyle thanked all those who came and asked Council if it would consider encouraging staff to look at eliminating all five units at Willow Road and leveraging the resulting funds for additional low-income housing. Council Member Robinson said this was a nice presentation and that he supports the proposal. He acknowledged that there is a large unmet need, but that there is no other project to use the funds immediately. He noted that there may be other opportunities in the future. Mr. McClure said that this could not be changed tonight but that Council could approve the proposal before it and give direction to staff to explore the option for all five units further including review by the Housing Commission. He spoke about the concept of inclusivity being integral to the BMR Program and that given how difficult it is to find suitable land, funds alone may not address the need. He noted that there would be policy considerations, including possibly encouraging more developers to offer money instead of building BMR units.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen spoke about HEART (Housing Endowment and Regional Trust) and he is also impressed with what Habitat is planning to do. He believes the need is great and what is called for is for the City to get property to get more housing and develop it for people who cannot afford it. Council Member Boyle said that there are options that staff can explore for providing more housing, including other sites or multiple-family housing on the Habitat site. Council Member Robinson believes the Housing Commission should consider the comments heard tonight and, and if appropriate, come back with a recommendation in the future.

**M/S Robinson/Cline to accept approval of an alternative Below Market Rate (BMR) housing agreement for the approved residential development located at 75 Willow Road. (Staff Report #07-046) Motion carries 5-0-0.**

*Council took a five minute break at 9:15 p.m. Council resumed at 9:20 p.m.*

2. Selection of Dyett & Bhatia as a consultant for a vision and strategic plan for the El Camino Real Corridor and Santa Cruz Avenue downtown area and adoption of a Resolution No. 5729 A to appropriate a not-to-exceed amount of \$135,000 from the General fund Reserve for consultant services and contingencies. (Staff Report #07-047)

Justin Murphy, Acting Community Development Director, presented the report. He said that if Council approves this project tonight the consultant will begin work tomorrow. Mr. Murphy said that there were three pieces of correspondence that were received proposing a different approach.

Council Member Cline said that he supports the use of requests for proposals (RFPs); that he likes this plan but believes there needs to be more resident involvement and less reliance on a consultant. Council Member Robinson is not comfortable with the way this is proposed. Council Member Boyle does not recall the inclusion of the Planning Commission in the process. Mr. Murphy said that the Planning Commissioners would participate as residents and there is also the potential to include Planning Commissioners in the interviews. Council Member Boyle also asked about the references to a Specific Plan, Corridor Plan and Design Plan. Mr. Murphy explained the various plans.

**Public Comment**

Mike Gullard said he sent the Council an email and he feels that the community should drive the process and not a consultant. He believes there is a lot of individual talent that can be used for this effort with a small budget. He encourages the creation of an advisory body.

David Speer presented to the Council an editorial from a newspaper regarding how other cities handled a similar process. Mr. Speer supports the comments by Mr. Gullard and he recommends opening it up to the community and let it drive it, instead of a consultant.

Vincent Bressler opined that if Council wants agreement and consensus the best way to resolve issues is through community input. He disagrees with comments that developers and architects are stakeholders. He suggests that community members such as the commissioners be included in this process.

Elias Blawie, supports all the prior comments, and he is aware that there will be debate. He believes that there is a very bright group of individuals to use.

#### Council Discussion

Mr. Murphy said that one of the critical factors in this matter is the timing issue. Mr. Murphy said that a community advisory committee was discussed by the Council at the February 12, 2007 meeting and that through a straw poll the direction was that the community advisory committee could be done on phase two. He said staff is willing to pursue this but it has implications for the timelines. Mr. Murphy said that staff did try to include more innovative approaches to community engagement.

Council Member Cline spoke about the Safeway process and how it was successful.

Mr. Murphy said that the Safeway process was successful but it did take a bit of time. City Attorney McClure said that the Safeway process was a 3 1/2 year process. City Attorney McClure explained the past discussion and the timing constraints. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen said that on February 12, 2007 the direction was based on the issue of timing. He thanked staff for all its work and he is trying to reconcile the different forces. He believes the crux of the issue is that included among the stakeholders were architects and developers and they should not be running the process.

Council Member Robinson said that he agrees with many of the previous comments from Council. He believes there was clear enough direction on February 12, 2007 but now that he sees the scope he is not comfortable moving forward. He supports the use of a facilitator. He suggested a nine member body that would be appointed by the Council as a Brown Act body and that Members of the Housing and the Planning Commission be liaisons and not official members.

Mayor Fergusson stated that this is a big undertaking and she supports a process that is collaborative and built on trust. She feels that this has to be a collaborative effort and a consultant will not have that trust. She believes that Council will probably be able to give resources to this collaborative process but she thinks the community should own this. In her opinion, a nine person body is too few and the selection of the people would be difficult and polarizing. She pondered how to be completely inclusive. Mayor Fergusson proposed that there are technical things that need to be done as ground work. She suggested directing staff to look at the basic proposal and get a couple of volunteers from the Council to work and figure out what would be a collaborative effort with broad inclusivity that would move the process forward.

Council Member Boyle said that the intent is not to leave out the public, and he was impressed with the proposal as written. He believes that having a consultant is the best and most impartial way of getting resident input. Council Member Boyle recalled the experience with the Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) and even with a consultant it was hard to find consensus. He stated that the process is best managed by impartial outsiders who can handle the different views. While Council Member Boyle believes that residents should have a say, he believes that developers and architects have expertise and should be part of the process. Council Member Robinson envisioned that the nine person body would help manage the process and he does not think that an outside consultant can realize what the community wants. He is looking for a body that this consultant can report to, but that is not staff. He would like residents to oversee the process including doing checks and balances. Mayor Fergusson asked if there was any support to give staff direction to limit the scope to more technical items. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen said that his recollection of the February 12, 2007 meeting was that staff already has a list of projects that need to be memorialized. He believes

that the proper task for the consultant is to do that. He supports a facilitator such as the Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center (PCRC) to do the community engagement piece and the consultant to do the rest of the work. Council Member Robinson supports the use of a facilitator for the task force. Mayor Fergusson does not believe that Council should design the community process tonight. She supports setting a budget of \$5,000 for PCRC to design the community engagement process. Council Member Robinson concurs but he also supports the consultant mentioned in this report. Council Member Cline stated that this consultant should do data gathering on what has been done before. Council Member Boyle asked about the BAC model and if this could be applicable. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen made comments about the process with the BAC. Mayor Fergusson sees using PCRC to help define a process that is efficient, inclusive and collaborative. She would invite PCRC to make a proposal to define a collaborative process.

Mr. McClure said that one task is the assimilation of the previous data and this could be authorized for Dyett and Bhatia and have it be reviewed and placed in a workable form. This would be limited to assembling data that has been gathered. The second piece might be to have PCRC and the group that did the Safeway process, provide a proposal for the collaborative effort. The third piece is whether the Council wants to create a task force to lead the community outreach. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen thinks it is a good idea; however, PCRC is his choice and in his opinion the BAC model could be followed. Council Member Robinson liked Mr. McClure's synopsis but he also agrees with the suggestion by Council Member Boyle. Council Member Robinson would like the body to have a well defined scope of work.

Council discussed a possible new scope of work. Council agreed with the approach listed under Task 1A in the staff report as a first step. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen believes that the BAC has a history of acceptability and it means that part of the process does not need to be reinvented. Mayor Fergusson wanted PCRC to define a mission. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen offered to work with Council Member Boyle and come back to Council in a week with an idea on how best to handle this process. Mayor Fergusson said she would be grateful for this subcommittee.

Council Member Robinson stated that whatever comes out of this has to be a citizen driven statement. He noted that he will not support anything that will not achieve this goal. Council Member Cline commented that Council Member Robinson is describing a commission. He supports the PCRC process but noted that it is not the most organized way to get this done. Mayor Fergusson said that she hoped that the two Council volunteers will ask PCRC and Candace Hathaway for proposals on the process. Council Member Boyle said that the sessions with PCRC were good but not excellent. He does not believe the real hard work was done at the meeting. While it was a good process, he did not think they were the best and so he would like to see other proposals. Other Council Members agreed with Council Member Boyle and thought PCRC was good but that there are other experts in visioning processes. Council Member Robinson shared some of Council Member Boyle's concerns. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen invited the two Council Members who agreed to work together in the subcommittee. Mayor Fergusson commented that a subcommittee of two members that share the same views may not be useful.

**The new Council subcommittee is composed of Council Members Cline and Boyle.**

**M/S Cline/Boyle motion to use the Dyett & Bhatia to do Tasks 1A and 1C with a budget amendment of up to \$25,000 for consultant services and contingencies; including the analysis of the medical/dental use; and, with the cities to be studied to be Redwood City, Burlingame, Los Altos and San Carlos with two more cities being voted on later after the creation of a committee or a subcommittee. The motion includes the creation of a Council subcommittee formed of Council Members Cline and Boyle who will report back with a recommendation on a public engagement process. This subcommittee will report back to Council in approximately two weeks.**

Council Member Robinson said that Redwood City, San Carlos, and Los Gatos are his suggestions. Council Member Boyle liked San Carlos and Los Altos, but was not sure he supports Los Gatos. Mayor Fergusson said that learning from other cities will be a positive exercise. She would like to include: Burlingame, Redwood City, Los Altos and San Carlos as the suggested cities.

The objective is for Council Members Cline and Boyle to come back next week. Council Members Cline and Boyle agreed on pushing it out another week and so they will report back to the Council in two weeks. Council Member Robinson wants to make sure that item Task 1B is addressed later. Mayor Fergusson agreed with that approach.

**Motion carries unanimously.**

3. Consideration of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to adjust salaries for executive management staff up to four percent effective January 7, 2007. (Staff Report #07-048)

Glen Kramer, Personnel and Information Systems Director, presented the report.

The Mayor invited public comment and there was none.

Council Member Boyle asked Glen Kramer that information they exchanged via email be shared with the Council. He commented that it is relevant because it shows the picture of what has happened in the last five years. Mayor Fergusson asked Council if the analysis helped in the understanding of the situation. Council Members Cline and Boyle said that the information was helpful. Council Member Boyle said that the whole system seems to move everybody to the average and not above. He commented that the strongest performers should be moved above the average and the current system only allows to move people up to the average. Mayor Fergusson said that the previous raises were a little different but she appreciates the approach. Council Member Robinson noted that he would like to work with the new City Manager on this issue. He raised the issue that management gets its entire health insurance premium covered and he believes this should be changed to what was agreed with SEIU. **Consensus to move forward with the awareness that there are items that need to come back.**

Mr. Kramer said that there are 15 positions in executive management. Council Member Cline said that he has concerns that nobody else is getting raises; consequently he is struggling with this because of fairness. He stated that he will hesitantly approve this.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen does not feel like he understands this nearly as well as other Council Members and he is tired of consensus government and he will probably not agree with this. Council Member Boyle asked how much the ranges went up and Mr. Kramer said 4.0%. Mr. McClure said that this was prepared by the previous the City Manager and that not all will get 4%.

Mayor Fergusson said that up and down the peninsula Menlo Park staff is renowned for its professionalism. She said that we just lost a City Manager and retaining our knowledge base is important. She wants to send a message of support to executive staff for their work and how much she appreciates them.

**M/S Robinson/Cline to approve the resolution. Motion carries 4-1-0 with Mayor Pro Tem Cohen opposing.**

Council Member Boyle reiterated that for the last five years Executive Management received raises that were higher than the norm and he believes that a more reasonable level needs to be part of the process.

4. Consideration of state and federal legislative items, including decisions to support or oppose any such legislation, and items listed under Written Communication or Information Item. None.

Mayor Fergusson said that by acclamation Council will move all Written Communication to a future agenda.

**G. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION** *(all items were moved to a future agenda)*

1. Request by Mayor Pro Tem Cohen and Council Member Cline that Council place on a future agenda a request submitted by residents of Spruce Avenue regarding no parking and the marking of no parking lanes in front of Celia's Mexican Restaurant. (attachment)
2. Request from Mayor Fergusson and Council Member Cline to place on a future agenda the adoption of a resolution, as requested by Members of the Coalition to Expand Transit Service



(CETS), in support of the expansion of and safety enhancements of transit service in San Mateo County and more specifically in Menlo Park. (attachment)

3. Written communication from Mayor Fergusson and Council Member Boyle regarding the Green Ribbon Citizen's Committee. (attachment)

#### **H. INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Information on alternate work schedules. (Staff Report #07-049)

Council Member Boyle asked if this should be placed on a future agenda. Mayor Fergusson proposed this item be continued till next week.

#### **I. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Council Member Robinson reported on the Green Ribbon Citizen meeting which will be held next week and Mr. McClure suggested that this be agendized as a public meeting so that the full Council can participate. Council Member Robinson further reported that the RHNA (Regional Housing Needs Assessment) process will have a meeting next week. He said this will be a public hearing and he thinks this will be something that will need to be placed on a future agenda.

Council Member Boyle shared information about the Transportation Commission and what they have been studying.

Mayor Fergusson said that she was talking with the Chair of the Planning Commission and there is an upcoming meeting on Green Building. She invited the public to attend.

Mayor Fergusson said that Andy Lipkis will be speaking tomorrow at 7:00 p.m.

**J. PUBLIC COMMENT #2** (Limited to 30 minutes) None.

**K. ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting adjourned at 11:41 p.m. in memory of the founding Member of East Palo Alto Barbara Mouton.

Respectfully submitted,

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Silvia M. Vonderlinden, Certified Municipal Clerk

Approved at the Council Meeting of April 10, 2007.