

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. 701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025 City Council Chambers

Mayor Cline called the closed session to order at 6:00p.m. with all members present.

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8 with real property negotiators regarding the following:

Property: 1283 Willow Road, Menlo Park

Negotiators: City Manager Glen Rojas, City Attorney Bill McClure

Negotiating Parties: Willow Corners, LLC (Owner) Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 (b) regarding possible litigation with Willow Corners, LLC, regarding the Police City Services Annex project

Action: There was no reportable action from closed session

Mayor Cline called the regular session to order at 7:05 p.m. with Council Member Robinson absent.

Pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Cline.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The City of Menlo Park along with Northern California Urban Development and the Office of Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson are sponsoring a FREE Foreclosure Resource Fair on Saturday, June 12. The Fair is designed to give homeowners and tenants access to professional assistance and available resources, including representatives from several mortgage lenders including Wells Fargo, Citibank, Chase and National City mortgage (now PNC). The Fair will be at the Burgess Recreation Center from 8:30 – 3pm
- The City Clerk is recruiting for the Housing, Library, Transportation, Environmental Quality and Parks & Recreation Commissions – application deadline is Thursday, July 1st

Council Member Robinson arrived at 7:10 p.m.

- A. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE VACANCIES, APPOINTMENTS AND REPORTS None
- B. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS None
- C. PUBLIC COMMENT #1
- Barbara Hunter spoke regarding Willows traffic (Handout submitted)
- D. CONSENT CALENDAR
 - 1. Authorization for the Deputy City Manager to accept the work by ABG Group dba Home Line, Inc., for the Menlo Park Public Library Children's and Young Adult Library Interior Renovation Project (Staff report #10-079)

2. Authorization for the City Manager to execute an Agreement with SRI for limited use of SRI's Laurel Street parking lot for overflow parking Monday through Friday between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. and Saturday and Sunday between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. (Staff report # 10-076)

This item pulled by Boyle for clarification questions.

Note: Councilmember Robinson is recused from this item and left his seat at 7:17 p.m.

Modifications: Signage shall be posted with the hours and sample weekly calendar will be attached to the contract

Public Comment:

Robinson – He uses the lot regularly, he stated the need for a path through the planting strip by SRI to the City Campus is needed.

Action: Motion and second (**Boyle/Fergusson**) to approve the consent calendar with modifications to D2 as listed passes unanimously with Robinson recused from D2.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

 Review of the City Manager's proposed 2010-11 budget for the City of Menlo Park; consideration of the revised long-term financial forecast; discussion of the continuation of the current reduced rate of Utility Users Tax beyond September 30, 2010; and discussion of the findings necessary to continue the Utility Users Tax beyond December 31, 2010 (<u>Staff report #10-078</u>)

Staff presentation by City Manager Glen Rojas and Finance Director Carol Augustine

The Public Hearing was opened, but no speakers were present.

Action: Motion and second (Cohen/Robinson) to close the public hearing at 7:58 p.m. passes unanimously.

Action: A majority of the Council supported keeping the UUT at one percent.

F. REGULAR BUSINESS

City Manager Glen Rojas introduced the Interim Police Chief – Mr. Ray Samuels

1. Approval of revised 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan (<u>Staff report #10-075</u>)
Staff presentation by City Manager Glen Rojas

Action: Motion and second (Robinson/Fergusson) to approve the revised 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan passes unanimously with the following additions:

- Adding a footnote for TBD items for the current fiscal year with a cost range and potential funding sources
- Add to the unfunded projects
 - o Bay Trail
 - Flood Park
 - o Pool Pumps
 - o Bike Tunnel Construction Phase
- 2. Consideration and direction regarding potential increase in Transient Occupancy Tax for the City of Menlo Park (<u>Staff report #10-077</u>)

Staff presentation by Finance Director Carol Augustine

A majority of the Council supported bringing back options to place a measure on the November ballot to raise the Transient Occupancy Tax to 12% on July 2011 and an option with a variable

rate to a maximum of 12% with the rate being set by the Council and to provide answers to questions regarding what triggers a TOT rate change for the Four Seasons in East Palo Alto.

- 3. 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
- G. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT None
- H. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION None
- I. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS None
- J. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS
- 1. Report from the City Council Subcommittee on High Speed Rail Note: Councilmember Cohen and City Attorney McClure are recused from this item and left the Council chambers at 10:53 p.m.
- K. PUBLIC COMMENT #2
- **L. ADJOURNMENT** 11:10 p.m.

Margaret S. Roberts, MMC City Clerk

These minutes were accepted at the Council meeting of June 22, 2010