



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, August 31, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.
701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025
City Council Chambers

Mayor Cline called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with all members present.

Pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Cline.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

A. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE VACANCIES, APPOINTMENTS AND REPORTS

1. Consider applicants for appointments to fill vacancies on the Housing Commission
([Staff report #10-121](#))

The Council took the following votes:

	Nominated By	Fergusson	Robinson	Cline	Boyle	Cohen	Total
Housing Commission - Term expiring April 30, 1014							
Sally Cadigan	Robinson	X	X	X		X	4
Yvonne Murray	Boyle						0
Sze-jun Tsai	Fergusson						0
Housing Commission - Term expiring April 30, 1013							
Yvonne Murray	Boyle	X	X	X	X	X	5
Sze-jun Tsai	Fergusson						0

Action: By the above vote the Council appointed Susan Cadigan to serve a term expiring April 30, 2014 and Yvonne Murray to serve a term expiring April 30, 2013 on the Housing Commission.

B. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Proclamation: International Literacy Day 2010 ([Attachment](#))
Mayor Cline presented the proclamation to Kristi Breisch, Kathleen Bales, Betty Meissner, Tim Grow, Roberta Roth and Alice Bradshaw
2. Presentation: New lighting downtown - Ernst Meissner

Mr. Meissner gave a PowerPoint showing pictures of the downtown. ([PowerPoint](#))

City Manager Rojas thanked Interim Police Chief Ray Samuels for outstanding service during his time here.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT #1

- Seth Elliot – Lack of badminton courts at the new gymnasium, suggested alternatives
- Janet Elliot – Lack of badminton courts at the new gymnasium
 - Glen Rojas explained the process regarding lines at the new gymnasium and the opportunities available at Onetta Harris
- Barbara Franklin – Second hand smoke (letter)
- Kim Reed – Lack of badminton courts at the new gymnasium; does not understand taking away sports

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

Item D2 was removed from the agenda to address cracks in the tennis courts

1. Adopted **Resolution No. 5955** amending the City's Conflict of Interest Code and biennial review ([Staff report #10-112](#))
2. Authorization of the Deputy City Manager to accept the work performed by First Serve Productions, Inc. for the resurfacing project of the tennis courts at Willow Oaks Park, Nealon Park, and Belle Haven School and the basketball court at Jack Lyle Park ([Staff report #10-116](#)) **Item removed from the agenda**
3. Awarded a Contract to Foothill Air Conditioning for replacing the condensing unit and the air handler at the Council Chambers and authorize the use of the City Buildings (Minor) Project Budget in an amount not to exceed \$87,000 for equipment, contingencies, and staff administration ([Staff report #10-117](#))
4. Awarded a Contract for the 2009-10 Slurry Seal Project to Valley Slurry Seal Company in the amount of \$499,960; and authorize a budget of \$699,952 for construction, contingencies, material testing, and construction administration ([Staff report #10-119](#))

Action: Motion and second (Robinson/Fergusson) to approve Consent Calendar items D1, D3 and D4 passes unanimously.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

F. REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Approval of the recommendations in the Downtown Menlo Park Parking Study Report and adoption of a Resolution authorizing a budget amendment in the

amount of \$55,000 to implement the changes to the on-street parking time restrictions in downtown Menlo Park ([Staff report #10-120](#))

Staff presentation by Chip Taylor, Engineering Services Manager, Sebastian Petty and Bill Hurl with Wilbur Smith Associates ([PowerPoint](#))

Charlie Bourne and Penelope Huang provided input from the Transportation Commission discussions.

Public Comment:

- Shawn Blackburn – Do not approve the plan as submitted; the issue of parking for over 2 hour parking is not addressed which needs implementation right away
- Jo Eggers – Concerns with all day paid parking; she would like it tested
- Barbara Rosasco – The issue of employee parking is not being addressed; distressed to see 15 minute parking enforcement; downtown should be more welcoming
- Charlie Bourne – Urged Council to vote no on recommendation number 2; urged that anything adopted should be on a trial period; anything approved should be phased in; permit parking needs a thorough review
- Fran Dehn – the Chamber has repeatedly asked for changes to the current practice for parking; parking downtown should be consistent; addressed staff recommendations 2 and 1 and that it will cause problems – This staged approach to restrict prior to increasing spaces will not work
- Tony Draeger – His business depends on short-term parking and turnover; concerned that the metered parking may be an extension of permit parking; could employees park further away and get shuttled to the area; consider reducing the number of permits sold by the number of spaces being lost
- Larry Dahl – Employee parking has to be dealt with; employees are shuffling their cars all day
- Bill Weseloh – temper all decisions with consideration of a positive public relations for Menlo Park; the timing does not warrant charging extra money to park extra time; create a reason for people to want to come to Menlo Park; find an acceptable location for employee parking

Action: Motion and second (Fergusson/Boyle) to approve the recommendations in the Downtown Menlo Park Parking Study Report and **Resolution No. 5956** authorizing a budget amendment in the amount of \$55,000 to implement the changes to the on-street parking time restrictions in downtown Menlo Park to include the following additions passes 4-1 (Cohen dissenting).

- Encourage the plan to include a formal review and monitoring process, including dates
- Accelerate a paid alternative for long-term parking
- Evaluate if 15 minutes is the right amount of time for the parking at the corners on Santa Cruz
- Set implementation for January 2011
- Provide an extensive grace period for educating the public about the new parking regulations

2. Update and approval of the review process for the Burgess Gymnastics Center Project ([Staff report #10-122](#))

Staff presentation by Matheu Oscamou, Senior Civil Engineer (PowerPoint)

Action: Motion and second (Cline/Cohen) to approve the review process for the Burgess Gymnastics Center Project passes unanimously.

3. Adoption of a Resolution approving a revised investment policy for the City, amended to include State and municipal obligations as authorized investments, to become effective immediately ([Staff report #10-118](#))

Staff presentation by Carol Augustine, Finance Director

Action: Motion and second (Robinson/Boyle) to adopt **Resolution No. 5957** approving a revised investment policy for the City, amended to include State and municipal obligations as authorized investments, to become effective immediately with staff to review the policy related to long-term investments and take the policy to the Finance & Audit Committee passes by the following votes (Ayes: Boyle, Cline, Robinson; Noes: Fergusson; Abstain: Cohen).

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

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: Councilman Cohen and City Attorney McClure are recused from the item due to proximity of their property and they left the chambers at 11:43 p.m.

K. PUBLIC COMMENT #2 – None

L. ADJOURNMENT – 12:00 a.m.

Margaret S. Roberts, MMC
City Clerk

Minutes accepted at the Council meeting of September 14, 2010