



**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
REGULAR MEETING & SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY MINUTES**

**Tuesday, February 15, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.  
701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025  
City Council Chambers**

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Mayor Cline called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. with all members present. (Council Member Fergusson arrived at 7:08 p.m.)

Pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Cline.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS – None**

**A. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE VACANCIES, APPOINTMENTS AND REPORTS**

**Commissions with terms beginning May 1, 2011 – Applications Due: April 1, 2011:**

Bicycle Commission – 3 vacancies

Library Commission – 2 vacancies

Planning Commission – 1 vacancy

(Applicants recently interview for the Planning Commission vacancy will be considered)

**B. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS – None**

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT #1**

- The following requested the City Council to sell the property at 50 Terminal Avenue, currently housing Beechwood School, to the school in order for them to make the school site permanent.
  - Dave Laurence, Principal of Beechwood School
  - Lois Hall
  - Adriana Contreras Sandoval
  - Ruth Cararis
  - Matt Henry
  - Rose Bickerstaff
  - Rachel Bickerstaff (Also showed a petition with signatures of residents who support selling the property to the school)
  - Richard Jacobsen
- Comments regarding Agenda Item F2 taken at this time are included with the item below.

**D. CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approval of **Resolution No. 5982** authorizing the City of Menlo Park to become a member of a countywide sub-region, an entity that would locally administer the Association of Bay Area Governments' Regional Housing Needs Allocation Process (RHNA) as part of the Regional Sustainable Communities Strategy  
([Staff report # 11-001](#))
2. Acceptance of Council minutes for the meeting of February 8, 2011 ([Attachment](#))

**Action:** Motion and second (Fergusson/Ohtaki) to approve the consent calendar as presented passes unanimously.

**E. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None**

## F. REGULAR BUSINESS

**Note:** Items under Regular Business were taken out of order due to the number of speakers present for item F3.

**F3:** Review the status and background of the proposed draft contract with Team Sheeper LLC dba Menlo Swim and Sport for operation of the Burgess and Belle Haven Pools beginning May 20, 2011 through May 20, 2016 and receive public input ([Staff report # 11-022](#))  
Staff presentation by Cherise Brandell, Community Services Manager and Katrina Whiteaker, Recreation Services Manager ([PowerPoint presentation](#))

### Public Comments:

Tim Sheeper, operator of the Burgess Pool – Spoke regarding the operations in the past and plans for moving forward. In addition, he addressed working with SOLO Swim and trying to meet as many of their requests as is reasonable.

Steve Zanolli, SOLO Swim – Spoke regarding the negotiations that have taken place between Team Sheeper and SOLO Swim and the fact that they are closer than they have ever been. He requested the City be more involved in the beginning of this public/private partnership.

Dave Mandelkern board member with the San Mateo Community College District spoke to a public/private partnership that the District has in place and the success with their program.

- The following members of the public spoke in favor of a contract with Team Sheeper
  - Adam Kerr (Also supports Solo Swim)
  - Carole Hayworth (CFO for Team Sheeper)
  - Dave Gildea ([Handout](#))
  
- The following members of the public spoke in support of Solo Swim having adequate pool time
  - Erin Glainville
  - Riya Berry
  - Greg Fuji
  - Kristin Ocon
  - Robin Stewart
  - Mehdi Maghsoodnia
  - Kevin Kogler
  - Carol Cleary (Solo Swim Board Member)
  - Dieter Giessler
  - Meg Hale
  - Elisabeth Gaiani

Council gave general direction after receiving the public comments and suggested staff to continue working with Team Sheeper and SOLO Swim in an effort to reach an agreement and to consider the impacts of increasing the rates for non-residents

**F2:** Authorize City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Menlo Park City School District for a cost sharing agreement for the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Santa Cruz Avenue and Elder Avenue, including the removal of the existing pedestrian traffic signal in front of Hillview Middle School; approve the installation of a southbound right turn lane from Elder Avenue to Santa Cruz Avenue; and establish a No Parking zone on the west side of Elder Avenue, north of Santa Cruz Avenue  
([Staff report # 11-021](#))

Staff report by Chip Taylor, Engineering Services Manager ([PowerPoint presentation](#))

Public Comments:

**Note:** The public comments were taken prior to F1 being heard.

- Ahmad Sheikholeslami, Facility Planner/Program Manager spoke on behalf of the school and the support for the signal.
- Anny Levin – Spoke about the need for a “Keep Clear” pavement markings especially if there is going to be a signal
- Sharon Delly – Spoke against the signal at this location
- Jeff Reed – Spoke against the signal at this location

**Action:** Motion and second (Keith/Fergusson) to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Menlo Park City School District for a cost sharing agreement for the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Santa Cruz Avenue and Elder Avenue, including the removal of the existing pedestrian traffic signal in front of Hillview Middle School; approve the installation of a southbound right turn lane from Elder Avenue to Santa Cruz Avenue; and establish a No Parking zone on the west side of Elder Avenue, north of Santa Cruz Avenue and to install the “keep clear” signage at Atkinson passes unanimously.

**F1:** Adopting Resolutions of the City Council, the Community Development Agency, and Housing Authority approving an Affordable Housing Cooperation Agreement between the City of Menlo Park, the Community Development Agency and the Housing Authority and making the necessary findings ([Staff report # 11-024](#))

Staff presentation by Bill McClure, City Attorney

**Action:** Motion and second (Fergusson/Keith) to approve City Council **Resolution No. 5983** to approve an Affordable Housing Cooperation Agreement between the City of Menlo Park, the Community Development Agency and the Housing Authority and making the necessary findings passes unanimously.

**Action:** Motion and second (Fergusson/Keith) to approve **Community Development Agency Resolution No. 310** to approve an Affordable Housing Cooperation Agreement and making the necessary findings passes unanimously.

**Action:** Motion and second (Fergusson/Keith) to approve **Housing Authority Resolution No. 1** to approve an Affordable Housing Cooperation Agreement passes unanimously.

**F4a:** 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:

- Adopting a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Menlo Park in opposition to the Governor’s proposal to abolish redevelopment agencies in California ([Staff report # 11-023](#))

Glen Rojas, City Manager advised that this was brought forward at the request of the Council at their last meeting.

Public Comments:

Jennifer Bestor – Spoke in opposition of the resolution.

**Action:** Motion and second (Fergusson/Cohen) to approve City Council **Resolution No. 5984** to oppose the Governor’s proposal to abolish redevelopment agencies in California as amended and to send it with a cover letter signed by the Mayor highlighting Menlo Park’s accomplishments with CDA funds. The motion passes unanimously.

**Note:** Further action taken after Public Comment #2.

**G. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT – None**

**H. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION – None**

**I. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – None**

**J. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

**K. PUBLIC COMMENT #2**

Jennifer Bestor – Spoke against the action the Council took on item F4a.

**Action:** Motion and second (Keith/Cohen) to reconsider the adoption of **Resolution No. 5984** from item F4a passes 3-2 (Fergusson and Ohtaki dissenting).

**Action:** Motion and second (Cohen/Ohtaki) to create a subcommittee of the Mayor and Vice Mayor taking into consideration all comments made tonight, working with the City Attorney for the final language on **Resolution No. 5984** and cover letter passes unanimously.

**L. ADJOURNMENT – 12:00 a.m.**

Margaret S. Roberts, MMC  
City Clerk

Accepted at the City Council meeting of March 1, 2011