



## CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.  
701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025  
City Council Chambers

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Mayor Keith called the Study Session to order at 5:30 p.m. with K. Fergusson arriving at 5:39 p.m.

### **SS1.** Discussion of Below Market Rate Housing Program

Staff presentation by Doug Frederick, Housing Manager ([PowerPoint](#))

Presentation by Kate Comfort Harr, Executive Director with Human Investment Projects (HIP) Housing ([PowerPoint](#))

### Public Comments

- Anne Moser spoke in favor of the project and stated that in February the Housing Commission was very excited to recommend the project to the Council.
- John deRussy stated that the project is a window opportunity and requested the Council to move forward with the project.

The item should come back before Council in May with additional information including:

- Additional information on alternatives
- Get feedback from other housing agencies through a Request for Information (RFI)
- Check with the County to invest more money

The Council took a recess at 7:22 p.m. and reconvened at 7:29 p.m.

Mayor Keith called the Regular Session to order at 7:29 p.m. with all members present.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Menlo Park residents and businesses are welcome and encouraged to attend one (or more) of the following regional meetings to provide input on how regulating single use bags would impact the environment before the ordinance is considered by council.

- May 2 at 6:00 p.m. – Campbell Library – 77 Harrison Avenue, Campbell
- May 3 at 2:00 p.m. – Barbara Lee Center – 40 North Milpitas Blvd., Room 140, Milpitas
- May 3 at 6:00 p.m. – Redwood City Library – 1044 Middlefield Road, Redwood City

For more information contact the Environmental Programs Division at City Hall.

**A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

**A1. Presentation: Citizen Commendation for Kathy Barron**

Chief Roberts presented a Citizen Commendation to Kathy Barron for apprehending a burglary suspect.

**A2. Proclamation: West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week**  
([Attachment](#))

Mayor Keith presented the proclamation to Valentina Cogoni, who is the City's representative to the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District.

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

**B1. Library Commission quarterly report on the status of their 2 Year Work Plan**

Commissioner Jacqueline Cebrian reported on the Library Commission Work Plan and the progress they are making.

**B2. Parks & Recreation Commission quarterly reported on the status of their 2 Year Work Plan**

Vice Chair James Cebrian report on the Parks & Recreation Commission Work Plan and the progress they are making.

**B3. Consider appointment to the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District for a term ending December 2013** ([Staff report #12-068](#))

Staff presentation by Margaret Roberts, City Clerk

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Cline/Ohtaki) to reappoint Valentina Cogoni with a term ending December 31, 2013 and requesting a quarterly report from Ms. Cogoni passes unanimously.

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT #1**

- Rose Bikerstaff thanked the Council for approving the Facebook Term Sheet and the sale of property to Beechwood School. The schools are so important to the community.
- Iris Contreras spoke regarding the Belle Haven Afterschool Program and the potential closing of the program and sending those attending the program to the Boys & Girls Club. She requested this item to be placed on a future agenda for discussion.
- Matt Henry thanked the Council for approving the sale of property that will allow the expansion of the Beechwood School as it is very important to the community.

**D. CONSENT CALENDAR: None**

## E. PUBLIC HEARING

**E1.** Adopt the revised 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan for fiscal years 2012-13 through 2016-17 ([Staff report #12-067](#))

Staff presentation by Carol Augustine, Finance Director ([PowerPoint](#))

Chip Taylor, Director of Public Works provided information on Complete Streets Project that would need to be added as it will be a Metropolitan Transportation Commission requirement and the estimated cost is up to \$100,000.

The Public Hearing was opened at 8:10 p.m.

### Public Comments

- Adina Levin commented on the Palo Alto Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan and suggested the City look into this and appreciates the sequence change of some items.
- Fran Dehn stated that she understands deferring maintenance on Parking Plazas 7 and 8 for fiscal years 2015-16 and 2016-18 respectively, but would like some stop gap maintenance for the potholes in those two parking plazas.

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Fergusson/Cline) to close the Public Hearing at 8:16 p.m. passes unanimously.

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Cline/Ohtaki) to adopt the revised 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan for fiscal years 2012-13 through 2016-17 passes unanimously.

## F. REGULAR BUSINESS

**F1.** Review, discuss and affirm the City of Menlo Park Community Engagement Model ([Staff report #12-066](#))

Staff presentation by Cherise Brandell, Community Services Director ([PowerPoint](#))

### Public Comments

- Adina Levin stated that she would like to see the City look at a variety of tools and revisit the relationship with the Brown Act and on-line forums. She requested the City look into the compatibility of an on-line forum being properly noticed in order to be in compliance with the Brown Act. Ms. Levin also addressed (Slide 16 – open city hall) and is strongly in favor of on-line engagement as part of the spectrum of tools

**ACTION:** By consensus the Council affirmed the Community Engagement Model.

**F2.** Consider state and federal legislative items, including decisions to support or oppose any such legislation, and items listed under Written Communication or Information Item: None

**G. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:** None

**H. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION:** None

**I. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:** None

**J. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

Council Members reported on meetings they attended and an upcoming Office of Emergency Services Drill.

**K. PUBLIC COMMENT #2:**

- Iris Contreras thanked Council Member Fergusson for bringing up community involvement regarding the Belle Haven Afterschool Program.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 p.m.



Margaret S. Roberts, MMC  
City Clerk

Minutes accepted at the Council meeting of May 22, 2012