



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 2, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.
701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025
City Council Chambers

Mayor Ohtaki called the Study Session to order at 5:35 p.m. with Council Member Carlton absent.

SS1. Council review and possible direction regarding the proposed SRI, International Campus Modernization Project and the associated draft public outreach and development agreement negotiation process ([Staff report #13-050](#))

Staff presentation by Rachel Grossman, Associate Planner ([PowerPoint](#)) ([Handout](#))

Presentation by Tom Furst, Senior VP & CFO of SRI, International ([PowerPoint](#))

Public Comment

- Janet Elliot asked that the cumulative noise of the campus be taken into consideration.
- Phillip Bahr appreciates many aspects of the project and encourages continued public transportation, avoid making an access point across from Pine Street and consider hiring locally for design and construction.
- Britt Von Thaden is in general agreement with the project and his main concern is dealing with traffic in and out of the site.

NOTE: Agenda Item A2 taken out of order at this time

A2. Proclamation: Honoring Marcel Vinokur ([Attachment](#))

Mayor Ohtaki presented the proclamation to Marcel Vinokur.

SS2. Provide direction on the Climate Action Plan Update and Status Report, new measuring methodology for transportation greenhouse gas emissions, and a community greenhouse reduction target, and provide direction on funding in order to achieve target ([Staff report #13-051](#))

Staff presentation by Rebecca Fotu, Environmental Programs Manager ([PowerPoint](#))

Environmental Quality Commission presentation by Chair Mitch Slomiak ([PowerPoint](#))

Public Comment

- Gail Slocum urged the Council to move forward with aggressive targets.
- Carol McClelland, GRCC, fully supportive of the EQC recommendations.
- Bob Cohen asked the Council to examine the hard data. He believes there are errors in the information. ([Handout](#))
- Patti Fry is fully supportive of the EQCs aggressive recommendations.
- Scott Marshall urged the Council to also address the building codes to align with reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- Adina Levin spoke about what other cities are doing regarding lowering green house gas emissions.
- Kristin Kuntz-Durisetti spoke to the benefits in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- Cherie Zaslowsky urged the Council to do their due diligence before taking action.

- Alex Cannara stated the recommendations are insufficient to address the problems that exist.

ACTION: The Council provided their feedback and took no formal action on the item.

Mayor Ohtaki called the Regular Session to order at 8:38 p.m. with Council Member Carlton absent.

Mayor Ohtaki led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements made.

A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

A1. Proclamation: National Library Week, April 14-20, 2013 ([Attachment](#))

Mayor Ohtaki presented the proclamation to Michelle Figueras from the Library Commission, Anna Chow, President of the Library Foundation and Monica Carman.

B. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE VACANCIES, APPOINTMENTS AND REPORTS

There were no appointments or reports.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT #1

- Mickie Winnler, being a proxy for from Henry Riggs, read a letter speaking on behalf of Lee Duboc regarding having study sessions regarding unions and moving towards becoming a Charter City.
- Jym Clendenin, Sister City Project Group, gave a report regarding forming a Sister City relationship with the Village of Menlough in Galway, Ireland. ([Handout](#))

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

D1. Waive the reading and adopt ordinances approving the Rezoning and the Development Agreement for the Facebook West Campus located at the intersection of Bayfront Expressway and Willow Road ([Staff report #13-054](#))

Ordinance No. 990: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Menlo Park rezoning properties located at 312 and 313 Constitution Drive

Ordinance No. 991: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Menlo Park approving the Development Agreement with Giant Properties, LLC for the property located at 312 and 313 Constitution Drive

ACTION: Motion and second (Keith/Cline) to approve Ordinances 990 and 991 passes 4-0-1 (Absent: Carlton).

D2. Authorize the City Manager to execute master agreements for professional services with multiple consulting firms for engineering, surveying, inspection, testing and other administration services ([Staff report #13-052](#))

This item pulled by Council Member Mueller for questions.

ACTION: Motion and second (Cline/Mueller) to authorize the City Manager to execute master agreements for professional services with multiple consulting firms for engineering, surveying, inspection, testing and other administration services passes 4-0-1 (Absent: Carlton).

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

E1. Adopt a resolution amending the City's Master Fee Schedule to incorporate proposed changes in fees to become effective immediately or July 1, 2013 or as required by statute for the following departments: Community Services, Library, Police and Public Works ([Staff report #13-048](#))

Staff presentation by John McGirr, Revenue and Claims Manager

The Public Hearing was opened at 9:01 p.m.

ACTION: Motion and second (Cline/Keith) to close the Public Hearing passes 4-0-1 (Absent: Carlton) at 9:01 p.m.

ACTION: Motion and second (Cline/Keith) to approve **Resolution No. 6136** amending the City's Master Fee Schedule to incorporate proposed changes in fees to become effective immediately or July 1, 2013 or as required by statute for the following departments: Community Services, Library, Police and Public Works passes 4-0-1 (Absent: Carlton).

ACTION: The City Council directed staff to incorporate mediation in the process for appeals and bring back the appeal fees with the cost built in.

F. REGULAR BUSINESS

F1. Memorandum from Council Members Keith and Cline requesting Council place review of 500 El Camino Real/Stanford Project on the April 16, 2013 City Council meeting agenda ([Attachment](#))

NOTE: Vice Mayor Mueller announced he is recused on the item due to the proximity of previously owned property and left the Council Chambers at 9:08 p.m.

Presentation by Council Members Keith and Cline

Public Comment

- Vince Bressler stated that there was a mistake made with this parcel and requested the staff report to be clear and to state a provision that can be voted on to remove the South East portion of El Camino Real out of the Specific Plan and revert it to the previous zoning.
- Steve Elliott, representing Stanford, stated that due to comments they have heard, they are making changes to the plan and are willing to discuss them at the April 16 Council meeting.
- Adina Levin supported removing this parcel out of the El Camino/Downtown Specific Plan but not opening the entire Plan.
- Perla Ni urged the Council to put the Stanford Plan on the agenda for April 16 for the Council to consider removing the parcel out of the Plan and a moratorium on medical offices.
- Stefan Petry supports having the parcel taken out of the Plan and returned to the prior zoning.

- Cherie Zaslowsky presented a PowerPoint showing the reasons this item should be placed on the April 16 agenda. ([PowerPoint](#))

ACTION: Motion and second (Cline/Keith) to place a review of 500 El Camino Real/Stanford Project on the April 16, 2013 City Council meeting agenda for discussion passes 3-0-2 (Mueller recused; Carlton absent).

NOTE: Vice Mayor Mueller returned to the meeting at 9:41 p.m.

F2. Discuss and provide direction on City operating and budget principles for the 2013-14 budget process ([Staff report #13-053](#))
Staff presentation by Alex McIntyre, City Manager

ACTION: Motion and second (Cline/Mueller) to approve the City Operating Principles adding a twelfth principle “Eye towards long-term stability of the fiscal plan”, the Budget Development Principles, use of one time revenues and temporarily setting aside \$300,000 for the police substation passes 4-0-1 (Absent: Carlton).

F3. Present information regarding employee compensation and receipt of public comment relating to upcoming contract negotiations with all units ([Staff report #13-049](#))
There were no public comments on the item.

F4. Adopt a resolution appropriating \$500,000 from the Bedwell-Bayfront Park Landfill Fund, waiving the public bidding requirement, and authorizing the City Manager to award and execute contracts for the Gas Flare at Bedwell Bayfront Park Landfill and authorizing a total budget of \$500,000 ([Staff report #13-055](#))
Staff presentation by Fernando Bravo, Engineering Services Manager ([PowerPoint](#))

Public Comment

- Allan Bedwell, Friends of Bedwell Bayfront Park, support the staff recommendation and stated that the Friends appreciate staff reaching out to them on this item. He encouraged that the City look towards finding a way to generate revenue from the site.

ACTION: Motion and second (Keith/Cline) to approve **Resolution No. 6137** appropriating \$500,000 from the Bedwell-Bayfront Park Landfill Fund, waiving the public bidding requirement, and authorizing the City Manager to award and execute contracts for the Gas Flare at Bedwell Bayfront Park Landfill and authorizing a total budget of \$500,000 passes 4-0-1 (Absent: Carlton).

F5. Consider state and federal legislative items, including decisions to support or oppose any such legislation, and items listed under Written Communication or Information Item
There were no legislative items discussed.

G. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

There was no City Manager report given.

H. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

There were no written communications.

I. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

There were no informational items.

J. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Mayor Ohtaki stated he is interested in getting more information on a Sister City relationship and will be obtaining more information.

K. PUBLIC COMMENT #2

There were no public comments made.

L. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 p.m.



Margaret S. Roberts, MMC
City Clerk

Minutes accepted at the Council meeting of June 4, 2013