



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 07, 2014 at 6:00 PM
City Council Chambers
701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025

6:00 P.M. CLOSED SESSION (1st floor Council Conference Room, Administration Building)

Mayor Pro Tem Carlton called the Closed Session to order at 6:10 p.m. Mayor Mueller was absent.

There was no Public Comment.

CL1. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section §54957 to conference with labor negotiators regarding labor negotiations with the Police Sergeants' Association (PSA)

Attendees: Alex McIntyre, City Manager, Starla Jerome-Robinson, Assistant City Manager, Bill McClure, City Attorney, Gina Donnelly, Human Resources Director, Drew Corbett, Finance Director, and Charles Sakai, Labor Attorney

7:00 P.M. REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Pro Tem Carlton called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and announced that Mayor Mueller is delayed.

Mayor Pro Tem Carlton led the **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

There was no report from the Closed Session held earlier this evening.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

Mayor Mueller arrived at 7:04 p.m.

A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

A1. Proclamation recognizing Menlo Art League's 40 years of service ([proclamation](#))
Diana Beuttler accepted the proclamation on behalf of the league.

B. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE VACANCIES, APPOINTMENTS AND REPORTS – None

C. PUBLIC COMMENT #1

- Wayne Lee, Mayor of the City of Millbrae, announced a healthcare sign-up fair on 11/15/14 and a free trade discussion with China and the Far East on 10/23; he also asked for the Council's support for a seat on the SamTrans board
- Aram James spoke regarding people living in vehicles, housing for the homeless and announced several upcoming fundraisers

- Michael Closson spoke regarding heritage tree removal, notice to the public and alternatives for preserving heritage trees

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

- D1.** Authorize the City Manager to enter into a lease agreement with the Rotary Club of Menlo Park to operate a Community Garden ([Staff report #14-175](#))
- D2.** Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Erler & Kalinowski, Inc. to develop the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan ([Staff report #14-176](#))
- D3.** Approve an amendment to the General Fund Reserve Policy to incorporate a reserve for pension costs ([Staff report #14-173](#))

Councilmember Cline requested that Item D2 be pulled for further discussion.

ACTION: Motion and second (Keith/Carlton) to approve Items D1 and D3 on the Consent Calendar passes unanimously.

Staff responded to Council questions regarding Consent Item D2 stating that the EKI document will focus on the Menlo Park Municipal Water District, that the public has been notified as to where the document will be available for viewing, and that the City will participate in groundwater use and attend East Palo Alto's groundwater management meetings.

ACTION: Motion and second (Cline/Ohtaki) to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Erler & Kalinowski, Inc. to develop the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan passes unanimously.

E. PUBLIC HEARING

- E1.** Adopt a resolution to abandon public utility and emergency access easements within the property at 721 - 851 Hamilton Avenue ([Staff report #14-177](#))

Staff presentation by Assistant Public Works Director Ruben Nino

Mayor Mueller opened the Public Hearing. There was no public comment.

Motion and second (Cline/Keith) to close the Public Hearing passes unanimously.

ACTION: Motion and second (Keith/Cline) to adopt **Resolution 6235** to abandon public utility and emergency access easements within the property at 721 - 851 Hamilton Avenue

- E2.** Approve a resolution making findings necessary to authorize an energy services contract for Power Purchase Agreements (PPA) at the Arrillaga Gymnasium, Arrillaga Gymnastics Center, Onetta Harris Center, and City Corporation Yard; authorize the City Attorney to finalize the agreement and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement; and amend the existing consulting contract with Optony, Inc. to include construction management services ([Staff report #14-178](#)) ([presentation](#))

Staff presentation by Environmental Programs Specialist Vanessa Marcadejas

Nikki Nagaya, Interim Transportation Manager and Jonathan Whelan, Optony Senior Project Manager, were also present.

Mayor Mueller opened the Public Hearing. There was no public comment.

Motion and second (Keith/Carlton) to close the Public Hearing passes unanimously.

Staff responded to Council questions and discussion ensued regarding insurance requirements, construction oversight, decreased rebate amount, usage data and cost, similar contracts with other jurisdictions, and project management services.

ACTION: Motion and second (Ohtaki/Carlton) to approve **Resolution 6236** making findings necessary to authorize an energy services contract for Power Purchase Agreements (PPA) at the Arrillaga Gymnasium, Arrillaga Gymnastics Center, Onetta Harris Center, and City Corporation Yard; authorize the City Attorney to finalize the agreement and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement with a most favored cities clause; and amend the existing consulting contract with Optony, Inc. to include construction management services of which the 3.5% listed under schedule 9 would be applied passes unanimously.

F. REGULAR BUSINESS

F1. One year review and follow up on the Police Department Taser Assessment and consider a request for adoption of tasers for the entire Police Department ([Staff report #14-174](#))
Staff presentation by Commander Dave Bertini (*presentation*)

Public Comment:

- Aram James spoke against tasers ([handouts](#))

ACTION: Motion and second (Ohtaki/Keith) to approve a request for adoption of tasers for the entire Police department with a 3-month report on statistics and a policy for review passes unanimously.

F2. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center (PCRC) in an amount not to exceed \$91,300 for facilitation, youth and family support, and community building in the Belle Haven Neighborhood for FY 2014-15
([Staff report #14-179](#))

Staff presentation by Community Services Director Cherise Brandell (*presentation*)

ACTION: Motion and second (Cline/Carlton) to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center (PCRC) in an amount not to exceed \$91,300 for facilitation, youth and family support, and community building in the Belle Haven Neighborhood for FY 2014-15 with the addition of an opt-out clause passes unanimously.

G. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT – None

H. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION – None

I. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

I1. Update on City Council Goals ([Staff report #14-181](#))

J. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

J1. Report from Mayor regarding Project Cornerstone
Mayor Mueller gave a brief report on the work of Project Cornerstone and indicated that the program will be rolled out in Menlo Park in the near future.

Mayor Pro Tem Carlton reported on a fallen heritage tree at the Gate House and stated that the wood would be used to make heritage wood furniture.

Councilmember Ohtaki reported that AB1690, sponsored by Assemblymember Rich Gordon and supported by the City, passed both houses

K. PUBLIC COMMENT #2

There was no public comment.

L. ADJOURNMENT at 9:38 p.m.



Pamela Aguilar
City Clerk

These minutes were approved at the Council meeting of November 18, 2014.