



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 21, 2014 at 6:00 PM
City Council Chambers
701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025

6:00 P.M. STUDY SESSION

The Mayor called the Study Session to order at 6:03 p.m. Councilmember Cline was absent.

SS1. Provide direction on proposed Police and Public Works antenna structure design
([Staff report #14-185](#))([presentation](#))

Staff presentation by Assistant Public Works Director Ruben Nino. Police Commander Dave Bertini was also present for Council questions.

Council gave staff direction to provide additional design options and costs as well as visuals of the antenna from different perspectives.

Council recessed the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

7:00 P.M. REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Mueller called the Regular Session to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Cline was absent.

Mayor Mueller led the pledge of allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

A1. Presentation regarding update on Two Menlos friendship agreement
([presentation](#))([handout](#))

Jim Lewis of the Menlo Park Historical Society gave a brief presentation.

A2. Proclamation honoring Fire Chief Harold Schapelhouman
This item is continued to a future date.

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

C. PUBLIC COMMENT #1

* City Attorney McClure exited the Council chambers during the public comment of George Fisher due to a conflict of interest that his business office is in proximity to the location that is the subject of Measure M

- George Fisher spoke regarding the City website information on Measure M

* City Attorney McClure returned to the Council chambers during the remaining public comment

- Fran Dehn thanked and recognized the efforts of the Public Works department for their recent efforts in power washing downtown sidewalks with reclaimed water while complying with State water conservation guidelines.

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Ohtaki requested Item D1 on the Consent Calendar be pulled for further discussion.

D1. Accept and appropriate the State of California, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control mini-grant, in the amount of \$25,000, and authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary agreements to conduct specified Alcohol Beverage Control enforcement operations ([Staff report #14-182](#))

D2. Award a contract to Knorr Systems, Inc. for the installation of the Variable Frequency Drive systems for the Burgess and Belle Haven pools and authorize a total project budget of \$64,272 for construction and contingency ([Staff report #14-184](#))

ACTION: Motion and second (Keith/Carlton) to approve Item D2 on the Consent Calendar passes 4-01 (Cline absent)

Police Commander Dave Bertini responded to Council questions about Item D1 in regards to public notification and education.

ACTION: Motion and second (Ohtaki/Keith) to accept and appropriate the State of California, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control mini-grant, in the amount of \$25,000, and authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary agreements to conduct specified Alcohol Beverage Control enforcement operations passes 4-0-1 (Cline absent).

E. PUBLIC HEARING - None

F. REGULAR BUSINESS

F1. Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute cultural exchange agreements with Kochi, India and Xinbei, China ([Attachments](#))
Mayor Mueller introduced this item.

ACTION: Motion and second (Keith/Ohtaki) to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute cultural exchange agreements with Kochi, India and Xinbei, China passes 4-0-1 (Cline)

G. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT – None

H. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION – None

I. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

I1. Financial review of unaudited General Fund operations as of June 30, 2014
([Staff report #14-183](#))

Finance Director Drew Corbett provided clarification regarding the gross surplus and net surplus, encumbrances, vacancies and meeting service levels.

J. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

At 7:43 p.m., City Attorney McClure exited the Council chambers for the remaining items due to a conflict of interest that his business office is in proximity to the subject location

J1. Mayor Mueller's report out on the October 6 Menlo Park Planning Commission Meeting
Mayor Mueller stated that the Planning Commission requested Council review public benefit and how it operates in relation to the Specific Plan.

J2. Mayor Mueller's request to set a Study Session to consider refining the public benefit process and thresholds within the Downtown Specific Plan
There was consensus by Council to hold a joint study session with the City Council and the Planning Commission in January or February 2015 to discuss this topic.

K. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

- Vincent Bressler spoke regarding an open process for negotiating with developers based on lowering bonus level and in the spirit of the Specific Plan.

L. ADJOURNMENT at 7:55 p.m.


Pamela Aguilar
City Clerk

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