



SPECIAL JOINT MEETING WITH THE MENLO PARK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AGENDA

Date: 3/16/2021
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Location: Zoom.us/join – ID# 976 7090 9395 (Special Meeting)
Teleconference (Closed Session)

NOVEL CORONAVIRUS, COVID-19, EMERGENCY ADVISORY NOTICE

On March 19, 2020, the Governor ordered a statewide stay-at-home order calling on all individuals living in the State of California to stay at home or at their place of residence to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus. Additionally, the Governor has temporarily suspended certain requirements of the Brown Act. For the duration of the shelter in place order, the following public meeting protocols will apply.

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- How to participate in the meeting
 - Submit a written comment online up to 1-hour before the meeting start time:
menlopark.org/publiccommentMarch16 *
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Zoom.us/join – Meeting ID 976 7090 9395
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(669) 900-6833
Meeting ID 976 7090 9395
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According to City Council policy, all meetings of the City Council are to end by midnight unless there is a super majority vote taken by 11:00 p.m. to extend the meeting and identify the items to be considered after 11:00 p.m.

Regular Session ([Zoom.us/join](https://zoom.us/join) – ID# 976 7090 9395)

A. Call To Order

B. Roll Call

C. Regular Business

C1. Purchase of City property by District

C2. Emergency services in Menlo Park

- Contract Between the City and the District
- Emergency operations center (EOC)
- Alerting system (LRAD)
- Default disaster plan (revocable by City at any time): District lead for first 12 hours

[Web form public comment received on item C2.](#)

C3. Homeless encampments and the threat to community safety

D. Adjournment

E. Closed Session

Call To Order

Roll Call

Public Comment on these items will be taken before adjourning to Closed Session.

E1. Closed session conference with labor negotiators pursuant to Government Code §54957.6 regarding labor negotiations with the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Local 829 (AFSCME) and Confidential employees; Service Employees International Union Local 521 (SEIU); Menlo Park Police Sergeants Association (PSA); Menlo Park Police Officers' Association (POA); and unrepresented management

Attendees: City Manager Starla Jerome-Robinson, Assistant City Manager Nick Pegueros, City Attorney Nira F. Doherty, Human Resources Director Theresa DellaSanta

E2. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to § 54956.9(d)(2):
One case ([Attachment](#))

F. Adjournment

At every regular meeting of the City Council, in addition to the public comment period where the public shall have the right to address the City Council on any matters of public interest not listed on the agenda, members of the public have the right to directly address the Council on any item listed on the agenda at a time designated by the chair, either before or during the City Council's consideration of the item.

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If you challenge any of the items listed on this agenda in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Menlo Park at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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Agenda item C2
Kathy Switky, Resident

I am pleased to see that the Council is holding a meeting with the MPFPD to discuss so many items of mutual interest to the City and the District.

Given that emergency water supply is of critical importance to both the City and the District, I would also like to urge you to discuss a potential partnership that would allow placement of an emergency water well site at Station 1 on Middlefield Road. In 2017, City staff identified this site as a top location for an emergency water well: it is centrally located, in the lower zone of the water district, adjacent to existing water mains, and would provide a convenient and reliable water supply for Fire District operations.

According to the May 2, 2017 staff report (17-097-CC), such a partnership was discussed eight years ago: “...staff met with the MPFPD Board in January 2013 to discuss the possibility of utilizing a corner of their property for an emergency well. The MPFPD Board expressed interest in having further discussions with the City to determine the terms of an agreement; however, further discussions did not occur as the MPFPD was still in the process of developing their plan for the redevelopment of Fire Station No. 1.”

Obviously, now that this planned redevelopment is further along, this is a time-sensitive matter. I urge you to discuss the possibility of such a partnership so that an agreement might be reached soon to incorporate a well and associated pumphouse into the planned remodel of this station.

This site offers a potential for a win-win project: it would be an excellent second well location for the City’s Emergency Water Supply Project (as specified in the MPMW Water System Master Plan) and would provide the District with easy access to plentiful water at the station for training purposes. Such a public partnership would be of great benefit of the entire community, and I urge you to discuss this promptly.

Thank you for your consideration.

Subject: FW: Sharon Road project

From: Pat Connolly <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 8, 2021 2:21 PM
To: Combs, Drew
Subject: Sharon Road project

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Drew—

Have you/council members had a chance to discuss and make a decision on a tolling agreement to extend the time for you to re-consider alternatives for Sharon Road, per my recent letter to you?

The last think that I want to do is file a series of lawsuits. I think there is a solution that will please everyone. Can we discuss?



[REDACTED]