



SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Date: 4/29/2025
Time: Special City Council Meeting 4:00 p.m.
Regular City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.
Locations: [Zoom.us/join](https://zoom.us/join) – ID# 832 1285 7140 and
City Council Chambers
751 Laurel St., Menlo Park, CA 94025

Mayor Combs will be participating from:
100, 110 Euston Rd., London
NW1 2AJ United Kingdom

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How to participate in the meeting

- Submit a written comment online up to one-hour before the meeting start time:
city.council@menlopark.gov
- Attend in person in the City Council Chambers
- Access the meeting real-time online at:
[Zoom.us/join](https://zoom.us/join) – Meeting ID 832 1285 7140
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(669) 900-6833
Meeting ID 832 1285 7140
Press *9 to raise hand to speak

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A. Call To Order

B. Roll Call

C. Closed Session

- C1. Conference with real property negotiators pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code §54956.8
Property location: 1215 Chrysler Dr.
City negotiators: Justin I.C. Murphy, Nira Doherty, Lisa Maxwell
Negotiating parties: James Albera
Under negotiation: Price, terms of payment, property negotiations

Not a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) project.

- C2. Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation
(Paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Cal. Gov. Code §54956.9)
Significant exposure to litigation: Two cases
Not a CEQA project.

- C3. Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation
Initiation of litigation (paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Cal. Gov. Code §54956.9)
One potential case
Not a CEQA project.

D. Call To Order

E. Roll Call

F. Report from Closed Session

G. Agenda Review

H. Presentations and Proclamations

- H1. Proclamation: Recognizing Jon Johnston ([Attachment](#))
Not a CEQA project.

- H2. Proclamation: Autism Acceptance Month ([Attachment](#))
Not a CEQA project.

- H3. Proclamation: National Poetry Month ([Attachment](#))
Not a CEQA project.

- H4. Proclamation: West Bay Model Railroad Association 75th anniversary ([Attachment](#))
Not a CEQA project.

I. Public Comment

Under “Public Comment,” the public may address the City Council on any subject not listed on the agenda. Each speaker may address the City Council once under public comment for a limit of three minutes; in some instances, speaker time may be limited. You are not required to provide your name or City of residence, but it is helpful. The City Council cannot act on items not listed on the agenda and, therefore, the City Council cannot respond to non-agenda issues brought up under public comment other than to provide general information.

J. Advisory Body Vacancies and Appointments

- J1. Consider applicants and make appointments to fill vacancies on various advisory bodies
([Staff Report #25-058-CC](#))
Not a CEQA project.

K. Consent Calendar

- K1. Accept the City Council meeting minutes for March 25, 2025 ([Attachment](#))
Not a CEQA project.
- K2. Request for travel authorization for City Councilmember ([Staff Report #25-059-CC](#))
Not a CEQA project.
- K3. Award a construction contract to Rapid Services, LLC dba Rapid Grading Services for the Middle Avenue Complete Streets project ([Staff Report #25-061-CC](#))
Determine this action is categorically exempt pursuant to CEQA §§15301 and 15304 existing facilities

L. Regular Business

- L1. Consider and adopt a resolution authorizing the removal of parking on Coleman Avenue and installation of a stop sign at Coleman Avenue and Santa Monica Avenue ([Staff Report #25-060-CC](#)) ([Presentation](#))
Not a CEQA project.
- L2. Consider and adopt resolution to repeal the short-term closure of a portion of Ryans Lane between Crane Street and Escondido Lane to vehicles ([Staff Report #25-065-CC](#)) ([Presentation](#))
Not a CEQA project.
- L3. Consider and adopt a resolution to reduce the Utility Users Tax ([Staff Report #25-062-CC](#))
Not a CEQA project.

M. Informational Items

- M1. City Council agenda topics: May 2025 ([Staff Report #25-063-CC](#))
Not a CEQA project.
- M2. Communitywide electrification program: Home Upgrade Services progress report ([Staff Report #25-064-CC](#))
Not a CEQA project.

N. City Manager Report

O. City Councilmember Reports

- O1. City Councilmember Schmidt report ([Attachment](#))

P. 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 City 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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meetings of the City Council do not provide the opportunity for public comment on items not on the agenda (Cal. Gov. Code §54956.)

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