

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2015,
BEGINNING AT 7:00 P.M. AT LOS ALTOS CITY HALL, 1 NORTH SAN
ANTONIO ROAD, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA**

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Mayor Pepper, Mayor Pro Tem Bruins, Councilmembers Mordo, Prochnow and Satterlee

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pepper led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) – One case

Mayor Pepper reported that no action was taken during the Closed Session meeting.

CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

Item number 10 was moved to immediately following item number 6.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Curt Riffle, representing the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, presented an update on the District's activities since passing of Measure AA.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Los Altos residents Mark Lerner, Bill Bares, Tony Richmond and Donald Gardner expressed concerns over increased aircraft noise and encouraged the City Council to become more involved in the study efforts for aircraft noise in the Bay Area.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Bruins, seconded by Councilmember Satterlee, the Council unanimously approved the Consent Calendar, as follows:

1. Approved the minutes of the November 10, 2015 regular meeting.

2. Adopted Resolution No. 2015-37, accepting the Certificate of Election Results from the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters for the November 3, 2015 Special Municipal Election and declaring the results to be final.
3. Adopted Ordinance No. 2015-416, repealing Chapter 3.16 of the Los Altos Municipal Code pertaining to informal bid procedures for public projects.
4. Introduced and waived further reading of Ordinance No. 2105-417, replacing Chapter 6.12 of the Los Altos Municipal Code in its entirety.
5. Received the Investment Portfolio Report through September 30, 2015.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. Discuss potential next steps for the Civic Center site, and direct staff accordingly

City Clerk/Assistant to the City Manager Maginot presented the report.

Public Comments

Los Altos residents Pat Marriott and Bill Maston encouraged including the Community Center as part of a Downtown visioning process.

Los Altos resident Roberta Phillips read a letter from residents regarding reasons for voting no on Measure A.

Los Altos resident Sharon Storms expressed concerns with Council activities regarding the Measure A campaign.

Los Altos resident Gary Hedden presented various options for the Civic Center site and facilities.

Los Altos resident Jean Wilke encouraged the City to save money to rebuild the facilities.

Los Altos resident Bob Greenfield supported the comments of previous speakers.

Los Altos resident Carlos Shaw presented reasons why Measure A failed.

Los Altos resident Randall Hull encouraged the Council to change the narrative and to look at the facilities more holistically.

Los Altos resident Richard Fancher encouraged the City to examine where the demand for use of Hillview Community Center comes from and to determine funding for the facility based on the results.

Los Altos resident Nancy Breneau supported a holistic process to incorporate the Civic Center, the Downtown and Los Altos School District.

Los Altos residents Darwin Poulos and Gerry Madea supported moving in a different direction.

Los Altos residents Sharon Clay, Natalie Elefant and Doug Smith encouraged the City to collaborate with Los Altos School District on use of the site.

Los Altos resident Stephanie Muñoz opposed selling City land.

Action: Council members discussed the Civic Center site and directed staff to provide information regarding the current uses of Hillview Community Center and thresholds for required seismic and accessibility upgrades.

Mayor Pepper called for a recess at 9:00 p.m. The meeting resumed at 9:07 p.m.

10. Support the findings of the Stevens Creek Trail alignment identified by the Joint Cities Working Team; and provide support to the Cities of Cupertino, Mountain View and Sunnyvale in their Stevens Creek Trail planning efforts (taken out of order)

Transportation Services Manager Novenario presented the report and Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commissioner Wes Brinsfield answered Council questions.

Public Comments

Los Altos residents George Cline and Cliff Reinhardt supported the draft Resolution.

Los Altos resident David Gustavson requested action be taken to resolve the project with minimal chances of being revisited.

Los Altos resident Chris Hansen requested the Resolution include language that the Stevens Creek Trail will not be located in Los Altos and to remove references in the Resolution to Fallen Leaf Lane.

Los Altos resident Kenneth Ng requested the Resolution explicitly state that the Stevens Creek Trail will not be located on Fallen Leaf Lane regardless of the outcome of the Bernardo Avenue traffic study.

Los Altos resident Tom Winant suggested using a path along Grant Road and Fremont Avenue if something must be done in Los Altos.

Los Altos resident Randy Rhody supported the Joint Cities Working Team recommendations.

Los Altos resident Ross Lappin requested the Resolution eliminate Fallen Leaf Lane as an option for the Stevens Creek Trail.

Action: Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bruins, seconded by Councilmember Satterlee, to adopt Resolution No. 2015-39, supporting the Stevens Creek Trail alignment identified by the Joint Cities Working Team, with identified correction of typos.

Councilmember Satterlee offered an amendment, which was accepted, to modify the last bullet under Study Segment 2 to read “Fallen Leaf Lane will not be designated nor ‘badged’ as the Stevens Creek Trail by signage or documentation, nor will way-finding signs be directed to Fallen Leaf Lane.” The motion, as amended, passed unanimously.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bruins, the Council unanimously clarified that by passing Resolution No. 2015-39 there is no intent to change the prioritization of projects identified in the Bicycle Transportation Plan or the Pedestrian Master Plan.

7. Receive an update on the Grant Park Community Center Improvement Project, Project CF-01008, and direct staff accordingly

Public Works Director Chan presented the report.

Action: Council members discussed the proposed improvements.

8. Receive the Fiscal Year 2014/15 Year-End Financial Update and approve proposed year-end transfers

Administrative Services Director Juran-Karageorgiou presented the report.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilmember Satterlee, the Council unanimously approved the proposed year-end transfers.

9. Authorize the Mayor to execute the California Employers’ Retiree Benefit Trust (CERBT) Participating Agreement; adopt Resolution No. 2015-38, delegating authority to the City Manager and Administrative Services Director to request disbursements from CERBT; and allocate an additional \$1.15 million in undesignated General Fund balance to OPEB to place a total of \$2 million in a Section 115 Irrevocable Trust

Administrative Services Director Juran-Karageorgiou presented the report.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Satterlee, seconded by Councilmember Satterlee, the Council unanimously authorized the Mayor to execute the California Employers’ Retiree Benefit Trust (CERBT) Participating Agreement; adopted Resolution No. 2015-38, delegating authority to the City Manager and Administrative Services Director to request disbursements from CERBT; and allocated an additional \$650,000 in undesignated General Fund balance to OPEB to place a total of \$1.5 million in a Section 115 Irrevocable Trust.

11. Receive an update from the City/LASD Public Lands Committee

City Manager Somers presented the report.

Public Comments

Los Altos resident Stephanie Muñoz spoke on an unrelated topic.

Los Altos resident Doug Smith encouraged the Public Lands Committee to discuss the Hillview Community Center site.

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council reports

Councilmember Prochnow reported she attended a meeting of the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Policy Advisory Committee on November 12, 2015, the farewell party for Los Altos Sister Cities on November 15, 2015 and a meeting of the Los Altos Women's Caucus on November 19, 2015.

Mayor Pro Tem Bruins reported she attended a meeting of the City-wide Parking Committee and the Planning and Transportation Commission on November 19, 2015, a meeting of the VTA Transit Planning and Operations Committee on November 18, 2015 and a meeting of the VTA El Camino Real Bus Rapid Transit Policy Advisory Board on November 18, 2015. She further invited the public to attend the Council reorganization and Community reception on December 1, 2015.

Mayor Pepper reported she attended the following: a retirement party for Gayle Carter from the Los Altos Chamber of Commerce on November 12, 2015, a meeting of the Cities Association of Santa Clara County on November 12, 2015, a meeting of the North County Mayors and City Managers on November 17, 2015, a meeting of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Board on November 18, 2015, a meeting of the BAAQMD Climate Protection Committee on November 19, 2015 and a meeting for Mayors and City Managers regarding the Silicon Valley Community Choice Energy partnership on November 19, 2015. She further announced a public informational meeting regarding the Silicon Valley Community Choice Energy partnership in Los Altos on January 13, 2016.

Future agenda items

Mayor Pepper, Mayor Pro Tem Bruins and Councilmembers Mordo and Prochnow requested a future agenda item to discuss the regional minimum wage initiative.

Mayor Pepper and Councilmembers Mordo and Prochnow requested a future study session to discuss increased aircraft noise and potential Los Altos involvement in study efforts.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pepper adjourned the meeting at 11:51 p.m.

Janis C. Pepper, MAYOR

Jon Maginot, CMC, CITY CLERK