



City of East Palo Alto

ACTION MINUTES

(*Amended 04/02/08)

REGULAR JOINT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

TUESDAY, March 18, 2008

CLOSED SESSION - 6:30P.M.

Regular Meeting - 7:30p.m.

2415 UNIVERSITY AVENUE

Council Chamber

6:30 P.M CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

Joint Call to Order: 6:30P.M.

Roll Call: Present: Evans, Abrica, Woods, Rutherford, Foster

I. Approval of Closed Session Agenda

Action: Second/Motion Woods/Rutherford Vote: 5-0

II. Closed Session Community Forum: None

III. Closed Session: For Report out, see Oral Reports Item 5A

A. Personnel Matters Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 *(ML Gordon, Assistant City Manager)*

1. Interim City Attorney Contract

B. Pending Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 *(Rafael Alvarado, Deputy City Attorney)*

1. Page Mill Properties v City of East Palo Alto

Adjournment

7:30 P.M. REGULAR JOINT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

Joint Call to Order: 7:35p.m.

Roll Call: Evans, Abrica, Woods, Rutherford, Foster

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action: Motion/Second: Woods/Rutherford Vote: 5-0

II. CONSENT CALENDAR

Action: Motion/Second: Abrica/Rutherford Vote: 5-0
Items 5a and 6a were pulled for corrections – Noted by Admin, Executive Asst. Letta Seuli.

- Proclamation amended and forwarded to recipient.
- Amended 02/05/08 Minutes to be brought back for approval on 04-01-08

A. City Council/Redevelopment Agency Ordinances, Resolutions/ Reports-Approval Actions and Motions

Items listed here may be spoken on if a request is given to the City Clerk to pull a particular item before approval of the Consent Calendar; and at the discretion of Council

1. ***2764**-Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Service Contract with Valerie J. Armento to serve as the Interim City Attorney in an amount-not-to exceed \$130,000 *(ML Gordon, Asst. City Manager)*
2. ***2765**-Authorizing a Professional Contract with the Executive Search Firm of William Avery & Associates (The Firm) to conduct a state-wide search and recruitment for a new City Attorney for an amount not to exceed \$25,000 *(ML Gordon, Asst. City Manager)*

*Items 1 & 2 were pulled for discussion

Action: *Motion: Woods/Abrica Vote: 4-1 (Evans No)

3. **2766**-Authorizing Submittal of a “Station Area Planning Program Grant” application to MTC *(Carlos Martinez, Redevelopment Agency Division Manager)*
4. Informational Report - Update on the Redevelopment Agency and the East Palo Alto Financing Authority Bond Ratings *(Stephanie Osaze, Finance Director)*

5. Proclamation (*Minette Warren, Deputy City Clerk*)
 - a. Honoring the Community Service Contributions and 81st birthday of Long-time Resident; Community Activist; and Former Councilmember: Mrs. Gertrude Wilks
6. Minutes (*Minette Warren, Deputy City Clerk*)
 - a. Regular City Council/RDA Meeting of 02-05-08
 - b. Regular Council/RDA Meeting of 02-19-08
 - c. Regular City Council/RDA Meeting of 03-04-08

Recommendation: That Council Adopt the Resolutions; and Accept and File the Informational report and Approve the Proclamation and Minutes By Motion

7. Planning Actions of the February 25 and March 10, 2008 Planning Commission and Planning Applications for the Month of February (*Brad Tarr, Planning Manager*)

Recommendation: Review the Action of the Planning Commission and By Motion and majority vote, Call-up or Take Jurisdiction on any of the items Described in the report

Remainder of Consent Calendar Approved:

Action: Motion/Second: Abrica/Rutherford Vote: 4-0

Items 3, 4, and 5 may be addressed during Community Forum only, unless otherwise approved by Council

- III. **Written Communications:** Rebuilding Together Request for Fee Waiver: Hank Nourse, Program Director
- IV. **Special Presentation:** YUCA Regarding Cleanup of Romic Site: YUCA; Romic Representatives: Tracy Craig and Wayne Kiso

V. Oral Reports

- A. Reports Out of Closed Session

Personnel Matters Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
(*ML Gordon, Assistant City Manager*)

1. Interim City Attorney Contract **Per Assistant City Manager Gordon an Interim City Attorney was contracted by the City; and introduced Valerie Armento as the Interim City Attorney**

Pending Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9
(Rafael Alvarado, Deputy City Attorney)

1. Page Mill Properties v City of East Palo Alto -
Discussed, No Reportable Action

Oral Staff Reports: None

B. Advisory Bodies: Rent Stabilization Board

C. City Council/Redevelopment Agency Reports

VI. Community Forum

VII. Hearing(s) *None*

VIII. Policy and Action Items

A. City Council Ordinances/Resolutions/Informational Reports – Approval Actions and Motions

1. **2767**-Authorize the City Manager to purchase a Harley Davidson Police Motorcycle from Bob Dron Harley Davidson in an amount not-to-exceed \$17,040 as part of the State of California Office of Traffic and Safety Grant *Ron Davis, Police Chief* (**Continued from 02-05-08 City Council Meeting**)

Recommendation: that Council Authorize the City Manager to purchase a Harley Davidson police motorcycle from Bob Dron Harley Davidson in an amount not to exceed \$17,040, as part of the State of California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) grant

Action Motion/Second: Woods/Rutherford Vote: 4-1(Evans/No)

2. **2768**-Authorize the City Manager to solicit bids from Vendors for the Construction and Installation of Awnings for Police Department Buildings One, Two, and Three at 141 Demeter Street (*Jay Farr, Maintenance Manager, Public Works*)

Recommendation: That the Council Authorize the City Manager to solicit bids from Vendors for the Construction and Installation of Awnings for Police Department Buildings One, Two, and Three at 141 Demeter Street

Action Motion/Second: Woods/Rutherford Vote: 4-1(Evans/No)

3. **2769**-Authorize the City Manager to solicit bids from Vendors for the construction and installation of No Parking/Street Sweeping signs in the Kavanaugh neighborhood area (*Jay Farr, Maintenance Manager, Public Works*)

Recommendation: That the Council Authorize the City Manager to solicit bids from Vendors for the construction and installation of No Parking/Street Sweeping signs in the Kavanaugh neighborhood area

Action Motion/Second: Woods/Abrica Vote: 4-1(Evans/No)

4. Authorize the City Manager to update the list of qualified firms and individuals with the expertise to provide contract planning services to the Planning Division (*Brad Tarr, Planning Manager*)

Recommendation: that Council Authorize the City Manager to update the list of qualified firms and individuals with the expertise to provide contract planning services to the Planning Division

Action Motion/Second: Woods/Foster Vote: 4-1(Evans/No)

A partial list (existing consultants) for this item was approved by a vote of 4-1. Council directed Brad Tarr to bring back further information on the remaining consultants as listed in the report.

5. Introduction of Proposed Ordinance Rescinding Ordinance 308

Recommendation: That Council Discuss and Provide Direction to Staff

Council discussed this item and directed staff to schedule a Special Council meeting for Friday, March 21, 2008; time: 12:00-12:30p.m.(Noon) for a decision on item 5.

IX. Adjournment 9:40p.m.