



CITY OF EAST PALO ALTO
ACTION MINUTES

BY: Minette Warren

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, July 15, 2009

Special Closed Session: 6:00p.m.

Special Meeting 6:30p.m.

City Council Chambers, 2415 University Avenue

6:00P.M

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00p.m.

ROLL CALL: Evans, Woods, Abrica (Martinez, Absent: Excused)

Let the record note that Councilmember Romero was not present at Roll Call, but was present for the actual Special Closed Session

I. APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

Action to Approve: Motion/Second: Woods/Abrica Vote: 3-0

II. CLOSED SESSION

A. Potential/Pending Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54986.9

1. Rent Stabilization (*Vincent C. Ewing, City Attorney*)
2. Page Mill Properties (*Vincent C. Ewing, City Attorney*)
3. Nicholson Company v. City of East Palo Alto (*Vincent C. Ewing, City Attorney*)

Adjournment

CALL TO ORDER: 7:03 p.m. (Open session delayed due to longevity of Closed Session)

ROLL CALL

Present: Romero, Evans, Woods, Abrica (Martinez/Excused Absence-III)

I. APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

After Mayor Abrica noted a change, stating that the Oral report portion of the agenda should be separate from the Consent calendar.

Vice Mayor Woods made the motion to approve after making Consent Calendar Item 3 and Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) Amendment Item 4.

Action to Approve: Motion/Action: Woods/Abrica Vote: 4-0

II. Consent Calendar

Mr. Evans stated that the original item #3 was not on his original agenda. It was clarified by Deputy Clerk Warren that it was indeed and the amended agenda was indeed reposted, in fact, she noted for the record that there were two amendments with reposting and re-broadcasting of both and in a timely manner. .

Mr. Woods asked for clarification on the proclamation and Deputy Clerk Warren stated that the proclamation would be reviewed before the mayor's signature was placed on it for accuracy of information namely years in service for the recipient.

Action to Approve: Abrica/Woods Vote: 3-1 (Evans-No)

A. Motions and other Actions

1. Proclamation
 - a. In appreciation of Tracy Lloyd Mercer, Four Seasons Hotel, for his thirty years in the Hotel Service Industry
2. Request for a Fee Waiver from the Born Again Christian Center in the Amount of \$280.00 and the Co-Sponsorship of the City in it's Reclaiming our Community event at Bell Street Park on July 18, 2009

Recommendation: That Council approve, by Motion, the Consent Calendar

III. Oral Reports

- a. Report Out of Closed Session – Vincent E. Ewing, City attorney

City Attorney Ewing Reported Out: He met with Council and Direction was Given, No Action Taken

Chris Griffith, Attorney for Woodland Park was allowed by discretion of Mayor and Council to Speak on the Closed Session item after the fact

IV. Proposed Revisions to the Rent Stabilization Ordinance for the November 2009 Ballot

Recommendation: That Council: 1. Discuss and provide guidance on key features in order to finalize the language revising the City of East Palo Alto Rent Stabilization Ordinance; and, 2). Consider a Resolution submitting the Ordinance to a vote of the People at the November 3, 2009 Municipal Election.

Deputy City Attorney gave the staff report on Item IV – Proposed Revisions to the RSO for the November 2009 ballot.

Council commenced Deliberation

The Public gave comments

It was later decided by unanimous approval of Council that this item be continued to the next available Council – Tuesday, July 21, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:07p.m.

NOTE

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