

CITY OF EAST PALO ALTO



SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2009



City of East Palo Alto

AGENDA

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By: *Minette Warren*

JOINT SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2009

Time: 6:30pm

Council Chambers - 2415 UNIVERSITY AVENUE

6:30 PM

Special City Council Meeting

Joint Call to Order and Roll Call

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Please Limit Public Comments To Only Those Items Listed on the Agenda

2. Consent Calendar

A. Resolutions, Informational Reports

1. Authorize the City Manager to accept the fourth amendment of the existing contract with the City/County Association of Governments to add \$140,486 thereby making the new total contract maximum amount \$429,247. The fourth amendment increase requires a fifty percent local match, for a total of \$280,972. Authorization is also sought to extend the contract period through June 30, 2010 for the weekend Caltrain shuttle, the shopper shuttle, and a subsidized transit pass program – Anthony Docto, Director, Public Works Department
2. Authorize the City Manager to extend an existing contract with Parking Company of America for up to an additional year and, increase the contract by up to an additional \$406,600 for continued operation of East Palo Alto Shuttle Programs – Anthony Docto, Director, Public Works Department
3. Proclamations in Recognition of Hispanic Artists during Hispanic Heritage Month 2009 - Meda Okelo, Director, Community Services Department
 - a. Norma Lopez Molina – Puerto Rican Artist
 - b. Raíces de México (*Roots of Mexico*) – Mexican Folkloric Dance and Music

Recommendation: That Council approve all items on the Consent Clendar

3. Policy and Action

A. Resolutions

1. City of East Palo Alto Pavement Rehabilitation & Resurfacing Project-2009 – Kamal Fallaha, City Engineer, Public Works Department
 - a. Establish an overall project budget of \$496,960 to complete the Pavement Rehabilitation & Resurfacing Project-2009 and the required ADA access ramps improvements on Pulgas Avenue and Bay Road,
 - b. Authorize the City Manager to award a construction contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for an amount not to exceed \$444,690 to construct the specified improvements.

Recommendation: That Council Approve the Resolution(s) Awarding the Contract to the Lowest Responsive Bidder

4. ADJOURNMENT

Any person needing Physically-Challenged Persons-related accommodations in order to participate in this meeting should contact Minette Warren at 650-853-3127 as far in advance of the meeting as possible. (Gov. Code § 54954.2(a)(1))

AGENDA ITEM
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2009 ITEM No. 2A1

CONSENT CALENDAR
RESOLUTION

Accept and Authorize the City Manager to accept the fourth amendment of the existing contract with the City/County Association of Governments to add \$140,486 thereby making the new total contract maximum amount \$429,247. The fourth amendment increase requires a fifty percent local match, for a total of \$280,972. Authorization is also sought to extend the contract period through June 30, 2010 for the weekend Caltrain shuttle, the shopper shuttle, and a subsidized transit pass program - Anthony Docto, Director, Public Works

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AGENDA ITEM
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2009 ITEM No. 2A2

CONSENT CALENDAR
RESOLUTION

Authorize the City Manager to extend an existing contract with Parking Company of America for up to an additional year and, increase the contract by up to an additional \$406,600 for continued operation of East Palo Alto Shuttle Programs - Anthony Docto, Director, Public Works

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AGENDA ITEM
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2009 ITEM No. 2A3

CONSENT CALENDAR
PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamations in Recognition of Hispanic Artists during
Hispanic Heritage Month of September 2009 - Meda Okelo,
Director, Community Services Department

- a. Norma Lopez Molina – Puerto Rican Artist
- b. Raíces de México (*Roots of Mexico*) – Mexican
Folkloric Dance and Music



Resolution

Honoring and Recognizing Puerto Rican Artist Norma Lopez Molina during Hispanic Heritage Month 2009

Whereas, Norma Lopez Molina was born in Puerto Rico and came to California in 1998 to do a Master in Science in photography at Brooks Institute of Photography in Santa Barbara, and

Whereas, Ms. Lopez Molina has also had a strong intellectual interest in such disciplines as visual anthropology, semiotics, and cinematography, and

Whereas, Ms Lopez Molina has been an editorial photographer for many years and served as the Art Director for The San Jose Mercury News for several years, and

Whereas, Ms Lopez Molina is currently the Co- Publisher and Creative Director for M magazine a stylish publication in the Bay Area, for women and family life.

Whereas, Ms Lopez Molina's photographs have been featured in national Bridal, architecture and local lifestyle magazines and

Whereas, Ms Lopez Molina's fine art collection has also been shown at the National Steinbeck Center located in historic Old town Salinas and

Whereas, her fashion photographs are considered elegant and evocative of the Romanticism of the 18th century, and

Whereas, Ms. Lopez Molina's inspiration is derived from her desire to play with the most technical aspects of lights and shadows to create images that celebrate the beauty of women and timeless styles, and

Whereas, Hispanic Heritage Month is the period to recognize the contributions of [Hispanic Americans](#) to the [United States](#) and to celebrate Hispanic [heritage](#) and [culture](#) and

Whereas, on Thursday, September 24, 2009 a reception will be hosted in Ms Lopez Molina's honor at Bloomingdale's Stanford, as part of the celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month 2009.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the City Council of the City of East Palo Alto does hereby join the community in honoring Ms Norma Lopez Molina during Hispanic Heritage Month 2009 as an outstanding artist, photographer and hereby further resolves that Thursday September 24th 2009 be regarded as **Norma Lopez Molina Day** in the City of East Palo Alto.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I, Ruben Abrica, Mayor of the City of East Palo Alto have here unto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of East Palo Alto to be affixed this 22nd Day of September 2009.

**Ruben Abrica, Mayor
City of East Palo Alto**

Hispanic Heritage Month is the period to recognize the contributions of Hispanic Americans to the United States and to celebrate Hispanic heritage and culture. The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15th and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988 on the approval of Public Law 100-402.

"September 15 was chosen as the starting point for the celebration because it is the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. They all declared independence in 1821. In addition, Mexico, Chile and Belize celebrate their independence days on September 16, September 18 and September 21, respectively. " ^[1] Public Law 100-402 authorizes and requests the President to issue an annual proclamation designating September 15 through October 15, as "Hispanic Heritage Month.



Resolution

Honoring and Recognizing Raices de Mexico during Hispanic Heritage Month 2009

WHEREAS, *Raíces de México* (Roots of Mexico) was founded in 1980 by Mr. Ruben Avelar who learned Mexican folkloric dance as an adolescent from Susan Cashion and Ramon Morones founders of the well-known dance company Los Lupeños de San Jose, and

WHEREAS, upon his graduation from UC Berkeley, Mr. Avelar began teaching local youth Mexican folkloric dance, at his local church hall. ***Raíces de México*** became a non-profit, tax exempt association in 1985 and established its first adult performing company in 1986, and

WHEREAS, the mission of ***Raíces de México*** is to promote cultural education through the teaching and performing of Mexican regional dances as well as popular Mexican art and traditions. ***Raíces de México*** has fulfilled its mission by offering regional dance classes to children, teens, and adults over the years at various locations in East Palo Alto as well as in neighboring communities such as Palo Alto, and over the years has taught many children adults. and

WHEREAS, *Raíces de México* also produces its own shows, cultural workshops and events to build up local audiences and to expose Mexican cultural traditions to as wide an audience as possible, and over the years as performed for many people. ***Raíces de México*** prides itself with the high quality of its instructional programs as well as the excellence of its dance and artistic productions, and

WHEREAS, *Raíces de México* was selected in 1994, 1997 & 2001 to participate in the prestigious San Francisco Ethnic Dance Festival held at the Palace of Fine Arts in San Francisco. Other accomplishments have included participation in Channel 7's "Profiles in Excellence" program, the receipt of an "Outstanding Performance" plaque from the Monte Jade Science and Technology Association and participation in KQED's series "The Other Side of The Freeway" and,

WHEREAS, performances have taken ***Raíces de México*** as far north as Point Arena (near Eureka), South Lake Tahoe and Santa Barbara. ***Raíces de México*** has built a large corps of volunteers and supporters and established relationships with several philanthropic organizations who are largely responsible for the strength of the organization. Hispanic Heritage Month is the period to recognize the contributions of [Hispanic Americans](#) to the [United States](#) and to celebrate Hispanic [heritage](#) and [culture](#) and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the City Council of the City of East Palo Alto does hereby join the community in honoring Raices de Mexico during Hispanic Heritage Month 2009 as an outstanding cultural, educational and performing group and hereby further resolves that Thursday September 24th 2009 be regarded as **Raices de Mexico Day** in the City of East Palo Alto.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I, Ruben Abrica, Mayor of the City of East Palo Alto have here unto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of East Palo Alto to be affixed this 22nd Day of September 2009.

**Ruben Abrica, Mayor
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Funding for its children's program is received, in part, from Luther Burbank Savings and various individual donations. Contributions and donations to ***Raíces de México*** are tax deductible to the extent allowed by the law and greatly appreciated. ***Raíces de México*** welcomes, and encourages, anyone interested in helping in the administration of this grass-roots organization to join. For more information on ***Raíces de México***, its classes, to book a performance, make a donation, or inquire about the Board, please call 650) 322-1501 and speak with Maria Elena Varela or email raicesdemexico@hotmail.com

AGENDA ITEM
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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2009 ITEM No. 3A1

POLICY AND ACTION
RESOLUTION

City of East Palo Alto Pavement Rehabilitation & Resurfacing Project-2009 – Kamal Fallaha, City Engineer, Public Works Department

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