



City of East Palo Alto

Mission Statement

The City of East Palo Alto provides responsive, respectful, and efficient public services to enhance the quality of life and safety for its multi-cultural community.

ACTION MINUTES

By: Minette Warren

REGULAR JOINT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

TUESDAY, October 18, 2011

Open Meeting: 7:30p.m.

**EPA Government Center
2415 University Ave - First Floor - City Council Chamber**

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

1. Joint Call to Order

Roll Call

Present: Woods, Martinez, Romero (Abrica/Absent III; Evans in after Roll Call)

2. Approval of the Agenda

**Item 20: Pulled and Continued to next Regular CC RDA Meeting
Item 6: Pulled for discussion and Clarification**

Motion/Second: Woods/Martinez Vote: 4-0

CONSENT CALENDAR - City Council/Redevelopment Agency Ordinances, Resolutions/ Informational Reports/Approval Actions and Motions

3. Approval of Consent Calendar

4. Claims (*Valerie Armento, Interim City Attorney*)

Recommendation: Reject the following claim

- a. Kalisa Hampton**
- b. Terria Ross**

5. Minutes (*Minette Warren, Deputy City Clerk, Office of the City Clerk*)

- a. 10-04-11 CC RDA Meeting**
- b. 10-10-11 Special City Council Closed Session Meeting**

6. Adopt a Resolution designating specific seats on the Rent Stabilization Board and denote staggered terms by seat number. (*Minette Warren, Deputy City Clerk, Neelam Naidu, Deputy City Attorney*)

Motion/Second: Woods/Martinez Vote: 4-0

7. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to issue a RFP to solicit bids from qualified companies to provide services for removal of debris illegally dumped in four storm drain outfalls located 1) at the end of Purdue Avenue, 2) Stevens Avenue, 3) Fordham Street in Mr. Robert M. Facciola's property; and, 4) North of Purdue, on the West side of University Avenue. (*Jay Farr, Maintenance Division Manager, Michelle Daher, Provisional NPDES Coordinator, Carlos Martinez, Provisional Deputy Director, Community Development Department*).

8. **Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit bids from interested and qualified vendors to respond to the redesign of the City's Website** (*Marie McKenzie, Public Information and Relations Manager, Tony Gelpman, IT Manager, City Manager's Office*).
9. **Green Jobs Training Initiative** (*Marie McKenzie, Public Information and Relations Manager, City Manager's Office*)
 1. **Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to issue a Request for Proposal for Green Jobs Training Services; and**
 2. **Direct the City Manager to accept and review proposals and provide a recommendation to the City Council**

Recommendation: That Council Approve All Items on the Consent Calendar

Item 5,6 & 7-9 Motion/Second: Woods/Martinez 4-0

The Consent Calendar; and, Items 10 - 14 may be addressed during Community Forum only, unless otherwise approved by Council

10. **Written Communications:**
 - a. **United States Department of Commerce** (*William G. Bostic, Jr., Associate Director for Economic Programs, U.S. Census Bureau*)
11. **Special Presentations (Each presentation is limited to 10 minutes) (Government Code § 54954.3(b)):**
 - a. **Recology of San Mateo County**

Attending and giving the presentation, Gino Gasparini, Public Affairs Manager; Tamera Del Bene, Recycling Manager and Erin McNichol; East Palo Alto Representative
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- b. **East Palo Alto Boxing Club** (*Johnny Gray, President*)

Attending and giving the presentation: Johnny Gray – gave a power point presentation and the presentation document to Council

ORAL REPORTS

12. Reports Out of Closed Session (*Valerie Armento, Interim City Attorney*)

No Report out - No Closed Session held
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13. **Staff Reports**

- a. Report and Update from Traffic Engineer – Bay Road and Gloria Way (*Kamal Fallaha, City Engineer, Community Development Department*)

The City Engineer, Kamal Fallaha and Traffic Study Consultant Paul Krupka, CHS Consulting Group provided information to Council regarding the City's traffic control issues at with emphasis on Gloria Way and Bay Road. Mr. Fallaha and Mr. Krupka assured Council that while study and review did not indicate that stop signs were the indicated answer, further study is being done to find other alternative traffic control methods.

14. **City Council/Redevelopment Agency Reports**

15. **COMMUNITY FORUM**

RDA ACTION ITEMS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS (None)

POLICY AND ACTION

16. **Proposed Revisions to City Ellis Act Provisions(Continued from 10-4-2011 Regular CC RDA Meeting)** (*Valerie J. Armento, Interim City Attorney, Neelam Naidu, Deputy City Attorney*)

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that City Council:

Waive first reading and introduce the Ordinance revisions to the City's Ellis Act provisions

Council held discussion on a late correspondence, (from Brad Speers, CA Apartments Association Network), emailed to City Clerk's office on day off Council meeting after 5:00p.m.

Councilmember Woods also requested further information on item, Council decided to waive first reading, and to continue this item to next regular Council meeting

Motion/Second: Woods/Martinez Vote: 3-1 (Evans/No)

17. **Third Amendment to Professional Services Contract with Ken Baar** (*Carol Lamont, Rent Stabilization Program Administrator, Neelam Naidu, Deputy City Attorney*)

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff Recommends that the City Council:

1. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to Amend, Increase and Extend Professional Services Contract with Ken Baar from \$34.,000 by \$35,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$69,000; and
2. To extend the contract to June 30, 2012

Motion/Second: Martinez/Woods Vote: 301 (Evans/No)

- 18. Property Lien for Unpaid Rent Stabilization Program Registration Fees and Penalties** (*Carol Lamont, Rent Stabilization Program Administrator; Neelam Naidu, Deputy City Attorney*)

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff Recommends that the City Council:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the recordation of a Notice of Lien for unpaid Rent Stabilization Program fees and penalties for the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 program years against the property located at 1893 – 1895 Woodland (Creekside Mobile Home Park) (APN 063-501-010) in the amount of \$107,220

Councilmember Woods stated possible conflict of interest – regarding real estate on this item and Recused himself from deliberation and vote.

Mayor Romero felt this item should come back when there was a quorum present for deliberation and vote. He continued the item to the next regular Council meeting.

Councilmember Evans lodged a protest and voiced that he felt the vote should have been taken

Mayor Romero noted Councilmember Evans' protest

- 19. Payday Lending Policy** (*Valerie J. Armento, Interim City Attorney, City Attorney's Office*)

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that City Council:

Provide direction to City staff on the subject of regulating payday lending in the City of East Palo Alto.

Staff presented Item 19, Council began deliberations then unanimously agreed that this item could be continued for further discussion to the next Council Meeting.

- 20. Use and Name of 550 Bell Street Facility** (*Carlos Martinez, Provisional Deputy Director, Community Development Department*)

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff Recommends that City Council

- 1. Discuss and provide direction to staff on the purpose and use of the 550 Bell Street Facility; and**
- 2. Direct the City Manager to initiate a contest among youth in the community on naming the facility based on Council determined use of the facility.**

Item 20 was pulled and continued to next regular Council during approval of the agenda

21. ADJOURNMENT: 9:58p.m