



## CITY OF PALO ALTO CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting  
Council Chambers  
January 7, 2013  
7:00 PM

Agenda posted according to PAMC Section 2.04.070. Supporting materials are available in the Council Chambers on the Thursday preceding the meeting.

### Call to Order

AT THIS POINT IN THE MEETING THE SWEARING IN OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS MARC BERMAN, PAT BURT, LIZ KNISS AND GREG SCHMID WILL OCCUR

### Special Orders of the Day

1. Election of the Mayor for 2013
2. Election of the Vice Mayor for 2013
3. Adoption of a Resolution of the City Council Expressing Appreciation for Outstanding Public Service to Yiaway Yeh as Council Member and Mayor
4. Adoption of a Resolution of the City Council Expressing Appreciation for Outstanding Public Service to Sidney A. Espinosa as Council Member and Mayor

### Oral Communications

*Members of the public may speak to any item not on the agenda; three minutes per speaker. Council reserves the right to limit the duration of Oral Communications period to 30 minutes.*

### Adjournment

#### AMERICANS WITH DISABILITY ACT (ADA)

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#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the Public are entitled to directly address the City Council/Committee concerning any item that is described in the notice of this meeting, before or during consideration of that item. If you wish to address the Council/Committee on any issue that is on this agenda, please complete a speaker request card located on the table at the entrance to the Council Chambers, and deliver it to the City Clerk prior to discussion of the item. You are not required to give your name on the speaker card in order to speak to the Council/Committee, but it is very helpful.

# Additional Information

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January 7, 2013

The Honorable City Council  
Palo Alto, California

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Department Head: Donna Grider, City Clerk





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### **Adoption of a Resolution of the City Council Expressing Appreciation for Outstanding Public Service to Yiaway Yeh as Council Member and Mayor**

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- : Yiaway Yeh Resolution (DOC)

Department Head: Donna Grider, City Clerk





## RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALO ALTO EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE TO YIAWAY YEH AS COUNCIL MEMBER AND MAYOR

**WHEREAS**, Yiaway Yeh was first elected to the Palo Alto City Council in 2007, and served with wisdom, dedication, sincerity, passion, understanding, and enthusiasm; and

**WHEREAS**, Yiaway served as Mayor of the City of Palo Alto from January 3, 2012 through January 7, 2013 and led Council meetings and the community with a keen awareness of cultural diversity and the value of inclusiveness as he worked tirelessly to reach broadly and deeply into our community; and

**WHEREAS**, as Mayor, Yiaway instituted “The Mayors Challenge”, consisting of four community events to bring the community together and later a Neighborhood Grants program to bring neighborhoods together in fellowship; he also revitalized and strengthened the city/school relationship in numerous ways, traveled to China forging a new and exciting Smart City Partnership between the City of Palo Alto and Yangpu District in Shanghai, and advocated strongly for a carbon neutral electric utility portfolio and environmental sustainability in general; and

**WHEREAS**, Yiaway served as Chair of the City’s Policy and Services Committee in 2010, and modeled commitment to transparency, open and good process, social justice and equity, and data based analysis; and

**WHEREAS**, Yiaway declared 2012 “The Year of Infrastructure and Renewal”, holding four City Council retreats focused on supporting and building on the important work of the Infrastructure Blue Ribbon Commission to establish a long-term and comprehensive plan for infrastructure maintenance, planning, and investment across the City; and

**WHEREAS**, Yiaway was a regional leader as a Commissioner for the Northern California Power Authority representing the City of Palo Alto, continually advocating from his positions on the Executive Board and the Finance Committee for fiscal responsibility, environmental sustainability, and local control; and

**WHEREAS**, Yiaway maintaining his reputation as a proud Gunn High School Titan, helped restart the “Little Big Game” and recognized Palo Alto students as leaders in innovation and technology by bringing the nationally renowned Gunn High School Robotics team to City Hall for a little robot basketball practice; and

**WHEREAS**, Yiaway did all of the aforementioned work while welcoming all opinions, seeking consensus, working in a collegial manner, with great respect for all colleagues, staff and the public, and with a quiet resolve and determination to maintain Palo Alto’s sense of community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Palo Alto hereby commends the outstanding public service of Yiaway Yeh and gratefully records its appreciation, as well as the appreciation of the citizens of this community, for meritorious service rendered and contributions made during his City Council term and term as Mayor and wish him the best in the next stage of his career in public service.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: JANUARY 7, 2013

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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City Clerk

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Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Manager

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City Attorney

Attachment: Yiaway Yeh Resolution (3414 : Resolution Honoring Mayor Yiaway Yeh)



## CITY OF PALO ALTO OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

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The Honorable City Council  
Palo Alto, California

### **Adoption of a Resolution of the City Council Expressing Appreciation for Outstanding Public Service to Sidney A. Espinosa as Council Member and Mayor**

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- : Sid Espinosa Resolution (DOC)

Department Head: Donna Grider, City Clerk



# RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALO ALTO EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE TO SIDNEY A. ESPINOSA AS COUNCIL MEMBER AND MAYOR

**WHEREAS**, Sid Espinosa was first elected to the Palo Alto City Council in 2007, and served with energy, compassion and insight; and

**WHEREAS**, Sid served as Mayor of the City of Palo Alto from January 4, 2011 through January 3, 2012 and led Council meetings and the community with style and grace, launching a monthly Mayor's Messages newsletter, creating regular office hours including "Mobile Mayor" office hours across the community, constantly inviting people from across the City to volunteer and get actively involved in City issues, speaking at numerous environmental conferences and events, declaring 2011 "The Year of the Bike" in Palo Alto, actively promoting Earth Day and Safe Routes to School for our City's youth, honored by environmental non-profit leader Hidden Villa with the Humanitarian of the Year Award, bringing together people and organizations from across the City to focus on youth engagement, and speaking at school, non-profit, and business events regarding these issues and strongly supporting the Project Safety Net initiative, which was recognized this year by the League of California Cities with a Helen Putnam Award for Excellence in Health and Wellness programs, and generally appearing 24/7 at all city, regional, state, and national events; and

**WHEREAS**, Sid advocated for visionary and much-needed infrastructure, including the completion of negotiations for the Stanford Hospital and Lucile Packard Children's Hospital expansions, advocating passionately for the library bond (Measure N), finishing the Downtown Library renovation, breaking ground on the 2.5-million gallon emergency water reservoir construction, and supporting the important work of the Infrastructure Blue Ribbon Commission (IBRC), which will establish a long-term and comprehensive plan for infrastructure maintenance, planning, and investment across the City; and

**WHEREAS**, Sid focused on the long-term health and financial strength of the City, helping to ensure balanced budgets, supporting critical structural changes in the City's labor agreements, promoting the development of an economic development strategy for Palo Alto; supporting the use of technology to revolutionize the way that Palo Alto provides government services and interacts with its citizens, pushing for the completion of the new website, launching new mobile applications, and actively using video as a means of communicating, among others; and

**WHEREAS**, Sid successfully advocated for the Palo Alto Stanford Trails Program in collaboration with Stanford University to present a truly united and mutually supportive position for the benefit of both the Palo Alto and Stanford communities resulting in a grant of 10 million dollars towards bike and pedestrian trails in our community, and ensuring the update of the City's Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Sid did all of the aforementioned work and more with incredible energy, creativity, and professionalism, while maintaining a spirit of goodwill, perspective, a sense of humor, and a strong commitment to Palo Alto.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Palo Alto hereby commends the outstanding public service of Sidney A. Espinosa and gratefully records its appreciation, as well as the appreciation of the citizens of this community, for meritorious service rendered and contributions made during his City Council term. We can't wait to see what Sid does next.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: JANUARY 7, 2013

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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City Clerk

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Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Manager

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City Attorney

Attachment: Sid Espinosa Resolution (3415 : Resolution Honoring Council Member Sid Espinosa)

## SCHEDULE of MEETINGS

THIS IS A COURTESY NOTICE ONLY. MEETING DATES, TIMES, AND LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK THE POSTED AGENDA ON-LINE OR AT KING PLAZA IN FRONT OF CITY HALL FOR THE MOST CURRENT INFORMATION. Almost all Palo Alto Council and some Standing Committee meetings are cablecast live on Channel 26. If there happens to be concurrent meetings, one meeting will be broadcast on Channel 29. Palo Alto will not have live meetings on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays. The agendas for most meetings can be accessed by clicking on "Agendas/Minutes/Reports" on the home web page.

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 3

Director's Hearing, CCR, 3:00 PM

### MONDAY, JANUARY 7

City Council Meeting, Chambers, 7:00 PM

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

Sp. Utilities Advisory Committee Meeting, CCR, 5:30 PM

Planning & Transportation Commission Meeting, Chambers, 6:00 PM

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 10

Human Relations Commission Meeting, CCR, 7:00 PM

### MONDAY, JANUARY 14

City Council Meeting, Chambers, 7:00 PM

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16

Historic Resources Board Meeting, Chambers, 8:00 AM

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 17

Architectural Review Board Meeting, Chambers, 8:30 AM

Director's Hearing, CCR, 3:00 PM

Public Art Commission Meeting, Chambers, 7:00 PM

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 22

Sp. City Council Meeting, Chambers, 7:00 PM

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting, CCR, 7:00

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 24

Sp. Architectural Review Board Meeting, Chambers, 8:30 AM

Library Advisory Commission Meeting, Downtown Library, 7:00 PM

### MONDAY, JANUARY 28

Sp. City Council Meeting, Chambers, 6:00 PM

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

Planning & Transportation Commission Meeting, Chambers, 6:00 PM

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2

City Council Retreat, Art Center, 9:00 AM

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4

City Council Meeting, Chambers, 7:00 PM

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Finance Committee Meeting, CCR, 6:00 PM

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## OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

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**Tentative Agendas for**


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**MONDAY, JANUARY 14, COUNCIL MEETING****SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY**

Presentation from Lisa Hendrickson, Avenidas

Selection of Candidates to be Interviewed for the Public Art Commission for One Unexpired Term Ending on April 30, 2015. (CLK)

Selection of Candidates to be Interviewed for the Parks and Recreation Commission for Two Terms Ending on December 31, 2015. (CLK)

Selection of Candidates to be Interviewed for the Planning and Transportation Commission for One Unexpired Term Ending on July 31, 2014. (CLK)

**ACTION**

Public Hearing: Objections to Weed Abatement and Adoption of Resolution Ordering Weed Nuisance Abated (FD)

Public Hearing: TEFRA Bonds (ASD)

Energy/Compost Consideration Issues (landfill capping options and draft Energy/Compost Facility RFP) (PW)

Authorization for the City Manager to Enter Into a One-Year Contract with Professional Evaluation Group/The Ochoa & Moore Law Firm, P.C. (PEG/OM) in a Total Amount Not to Exceed \$125,000 for Rail Legislative Advocacy Services (PLNG)

Approval of Pilot Residential Compostables Collection Program and 67 Adjustment to Refuse Collection Frequency (PW)

Council Action Regarding Library Advisory Commission Vacancies (CLK)

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING @ 7 P.M.****ACTION**

Approval of Rail Corridor Report (PLNG)

Process Alternatives for Plan Alternatives for 27 University Ave. (PLNG)

Review and Approval of Rail Committee Guiding Principle (PLNG)

**MONDAY, JANUARY 28, SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING @ 6 P.M.****ACTION**

Consideration of Review Process for Edgewood Plaza (PLNG)

Attachment: Tentative Agenda (3412 : Tentative Agenda)

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – RETREAT @ 9:00 A.M @ Art Center.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, COUNCIL MEETING

Study Session: SEA Report (AUD)

ACTION

Disposable Checkout Bag Ordinance – First Reading (PW)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, FINANCE COMMITTEE @ 6 P.M.

Follow-up on Items From Human Services Needs Assessment. (CSD)

Carbon Neutral Plan (tentative title) (UTL)

Cost of Services Study (ASD)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, COUNCIL MEETING

Study Session: PaloAltoGreen (UTL)

Study Session: VTA Lot (Page Mill/El Camino) Development Prescreening (PLNG)

ACTION

Approval of California Avenue Roadway Alignment (PLNG)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, POLICY & SERVICES COMMITTEE @ 6 P.M.

Auditor's Office Quarterly Report as of December 31, 2012

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, FINANCE COMMITTEE @ 6 P.M.

FY 2013 Q2 Financial Results and Midyear BAO

MONDAY, MARCH 4, COUNCIL MEETING

ACTION

Public Hearing: Consideration of Parking Exceptions for 135 Hamilton Avenue and 636 Waverley Street (PLNG)

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, FINANCE COMMITTEE @ 6 P.M.

MONDAY, MARCH 11, COUNCIL MEETING

Study Session: Joint Meeting with the LAC

Attachment: Tentative Agenda (3412 : Tentative Agenda)