



CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES

Regular Meeting
May 6, 2024

The City Council of the City of Palo Alto met on this date in the Council Chambers and by virtual teleconference at 5:30 P.M.

Present In Person: Burt, Kou, Lauing, Lythcott-Haims, Stone, Tanaka, Veenker

Present Remotely:

Absent:

Council Member Questions, Comments and Announcements

Special Orders of the Day

1. Interview Candidate for Vacancies on Utilities Advisory Commission. CEQA Status - Not a project.

NO ACTION

2. Appointment of Candidates for Vacancies on the Architectural Review Board, Human Relations Commission, Planning and Transportation Commission, and Public Art Commission. CEQA Status - Not a project.

Architectural Review Board

First Round of Voting for Two (2) vacancies on the Architectural Review Board with terms ending March 31, 2027

Ajay Kumar Mishra:

Geddes Ulinskas: Kou, Lauing

Kendra Rosenberg: Burt, Lythcott-Haims, Stone, Tanaka, Veenker

Mousam Adcock: Burt, Kou, Lauing, Stone, Veenker

Zachary Pozner: Lythcott-Haims, Tanaka

Candidate Kendra Rosenberg receiving 5 votes is appointed to a full-term expiring March 31, 2027.

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Candidate Mousam Adcock receiving 5 votes is appointed to a full-term expiring March 31, 2027.

Human Relations Commission

First Round of Voting for Two (2) vacancies on the Human Relations Commission with terms ending March 31, 2027

Cara Silver: Burt, Kou, Lauing, Tanaka

Donald Barr: Burt, Lauing, Stone, Veenker

Marc Schoenen:

Mary Kate Stimmler: Kou, Stone, Lythcott-Haims, Tanaka, Veenker

Uzma Rashid Minhas: Lythcott-Haims

Candidate Mary Kate Stimmler receiving 5 votes is appointed to a full-term expiring March 31, 2027.

No other Candidate received four votes required to be appointed to the full-term expiring March 31, 2027. A second round of voting is required.

Second Round of Voting for One (1) vacancy on the Human Relations Commission with the term ending March 31, 2027

Cara Silver: Lauing, Kou, Tanaka

Donald Barr: Burt, Lythcott-Haims, Stone, Veenker

Candidate Donald Barr receiving 4 votes is appointed to a full-term expiring March 31, 2027.

Public Art Commission

First Round of Voting for Four (4) vacancies on the Public Art Commission with two terms ending March 31, 2027 and two partial terms ending March 31, 2026

Allison Huynh: Tanaka

Amber Smith: Burt, Kou, Veenker

Claude Ezran: Burt, Lauing, Stone

Harriet Stern: Kou, Stone, Veenker

Hsinya Shen: Burt, Kou, Lauing, Stone, Lythcott-Haims, Tanaka, Veenker

Sonia Patwardhan: Lauing, Tanaka

Tara de la Garza: Burt, Lauing, Stone, Lythcott-Haims, Veenker

Yuri Chang: Kou, Lythcott-Haims, Tanaka

Candidate Hsinya Shen receiving 7 votes is appointed to a full-term expiring March 31, 2027.

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Candidate Tara de la Garza receiving 5 votes is appointed to a full-term expiring March 31, 2027.

No other Candidates received four votes required to be appointed to the partial terms expiring March 31, 2026. A second round of voting is required.

Second Round of Voting for Two (2) partial terms ending March 31, 2026 on the Public Art Commission

Allison Huynh:

Amber Smith: Burt, Lythcott-Haims, Veenker

Claude Ezran: Burt, Lauing, Stone

Harriet Stern: Kou, Stone, Veenker

Sonia Patwardhan: Lauing, Tanaka

Yuri Chang: Kou, Lythcott-Haims, Tanaka

No Candidate received four votes required to be appointed to the partial terms expiring March 31, 2026. A third round of voting is required.

The Council directed the elimination of candidates without a minimum of three votes.

Third Round of Voting for Two (2) partial terms ending March 31, 2026 on the Public Art Commission

Amber Smith: Tanaka, Veenker, Lythcott-Haims

Claude Ezran: Burt, Lauing, Stone

Harriet Stern: Burt, Kou, Lauing, Stone, Veenker

Yuri Chang: Kou, Lythcott-Haims, Tanaka

Candidate Harriet Stern receiving 5 votes is appointed to a partial term expiring March 31, 2026.

No other Candidates received four votes required to be appointed to the partial term expiring March 31, 2026. A fourth round of voting is required.

Fourth Round of Voting for One (1) partial terms ending March 31, 2026 on the Public Art Commission

Amber Smith: Burt, Veenker

Claude Ezran: Lauing, Stone

Yuri Chang: Kou, Tanaka, Lythcott-Haims

No Candidate received four votes required to be appointed to the full-term expiring March 31, 2026. A fifth round of voting is required.

Fifth Round of Voting for One (1) partial terms ending March 31, 2026 on the Public Art Commission

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Amber Smith: Burt, Lauing, Stone, Veenker

Claude Ezran:

Yuri Chang: Kou, Lythcott-Haims, Tanaka

Candidate Amber Smith receiving 4 votes is appointed to a partial term expiring March 31, 2026.

Planning and Transportation Commission

First Round of Voting for One (1) vacancy on the Planning and Transportation Commission with the term ending March 31, 2028

Ashish Bhattacharya:

Barton Hechtman: Burt, Kou, Lauing, Lythcott-Haims, Stone, Tanaka, Veenker

Candidate Barton Hechtman receiving 7 votes is appointed to a full-term expiring March 31, 2028.

3. Proclamation of May 2024 as Affordable Housing Month

NO ACTION

Agenda Changes, Additions and Deletions

Public Comment

Study Session

4. City Manager Transmittal of the Fiscal Year 2025 Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets

NO ACTION

5. Bi-Annual Discussion with the Independent Police Auditor

NO ACTION

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Consent Calendar

Council Member Tanaka registered a no vote on Agenda Item Number 7.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Lauing moved, seconded by Mayor Stone to approve Agenda Item Numbers 6-14.

MOTION PASSED ITEMS 6, 8-14: 7-0

MOTION PASSED ITEM 7: 6-1, Tanaka no

6. Approval of Minutes from April 15, 2024 and April 22, 2024 Meetings
7. Approval and Authorization for the City Manager to Execute Purchase Orders with Pre-Qualified Vendors for Electric Distribution Transformers for the Grid Modernization Project (EL-24000) in an Annual Amount up to \$4,000,000 through FY 2026, and Increasing the Total Aggregate Not-to-Exceed Purchase Order Amount for FY 2022 through FY 2026 from \$10,000,000 to \$16,000,000, with all Purchases Subject to Assigned Purchase Order and Availability of Funds; CEQA Status: Exempt under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15302, 15303 and 15183.
8. Approval of Contracts with the City of Los Altos and Town of Los Altos Hills to Provide Regional Animal Care and Control Services; (CEQA status – not a project.)
9. Approval of General Service Agreement Contract Number C24189229 with Xerox in an Amount Not to Exceed \$382,165 to Lease Printing Equipment for the Print Shop for a Period of Three Years; CEQA Status: Not a Project
10. Adoption of a Resolution to Extend the Interim Parklet Program to July 31, 2024; CEQA Status - Categorically Exempt (Sections 15301 and 15304(e))
11. LEGISLATIVE: Adoption of an Ordinance Updating Chapter 18.15 (Density Bonus) of Title 18 (Zoning) to Reflect Recent Changes in State Density Bonus Law and Revising Regulations for Provision of On-Site Affordable Rental Units Under the City's Inclusionary Housing Ordinance; Recommended by the Planning and Transportation Commission March 13, 2024. CEQA Status: Exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3).
12. Policy & Services Committee Recommendation Regarding State and Federal Legislative and Budgetary Updates and Positions on Pending State Legislation
13. Adoption of a Resolution to Appoint Katherine Murdock of Baker Tilly US, LLP as City Auditor; CEQA status – Not a Project
14. Approval of Contract Amendment Number 6 to Contract C18171057 with AECOM to increase compensation by \$297,206 for a new total not to exceed of \$3,894,034 and Extend the Term for Six Months for Additional Studies, Outreach, and Support for Rail

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Grade Separation Projects along Caltrain Corridor; CEQA status – statutorily exempt under CEQA section 15262 (feasibility and planning study).

City Manager Comments

Ed Shikada, City Manager

Action Items

15. PUBLIC HEARING / QUASI-JUDICIAL. 800 San Antonio Road [23PLN-00010]: Recommendation on Applicant's Request for a Rezone from Service Commercial to Planned Community/Planned Home Zoning (PC/PHZ). The Project Includes Construction of 75 Residential Condominium Ownership Units Including 15 Below-Market Rate Units (20% of the Units) in a Five Story Building with Two Levels of Subterranean Parking. A Subdivision Map will be Required. An Addendum to the Previously Certified Environmental Impact Report for the Housing Incentive Program Expansion and 788 San Antonio Mixed Use Project (SCH # 2019090070) was Prepared. Zoning District: CS (Commercial Service).

MOTION: Council Member Veenker moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Lauing to take the following actions:

1. Consider the Addendum to the previously adopted Environmental Impact Report (Attachment F), and;
2. Adopt an Ordinance rezoning the subject site from Service Commercial to Planned Community/Planned Home Zoning (Attachment B) as recommended by the Planning & Transportation Commission, and;
3. Adopt the Record of Land Use Action approving the Architectural Review, based on findings and subject to conditions of approval as recommended by the Architectural Review Board (Attachment C).
4. Add additional condition to the Record of Land Use Action to include: "Within 120 days of request by the City, the applicant shall dedicate a Public Access Easement over a portion of the 24-foot front yard special setback for multi-modal transportation improvements in a form acceptable to the Planning and Development Services Director, Public Works Director, and City Attorney. Any future easement may require the removal of site improvements to facilitate multimodal transportation improvements or Comprehensive Plan policies."

MOTION PASSED: 6-1, Kou no

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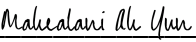
Study Session

16. Review Workforce Recruitment Strategic Plan and Recommendations for Improvements in the Recruitment Process

Item Removed from the Agenda for Discussion and Provided as an Informational Report.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

APPROVED:

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Mayor

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