



CITY OF PALO ALTO CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES

Special Meeting
January 21, 2020

The City Council of the City of Palo Alto met on this date in the Council Chambers at 6:02 P.M.

Present: Cormack, DuBois, Filseth, Fine, Kniss, Kou, Tanaka

Absent:

Study Session

1. Presentation and Review of Utilities Wildfire Mitigation Plan.

Action Items

2. Connecting Palo Alto Rail Grade Separation: A) Receive an Update and Recommendation From the Expanded Community Advisory Panel (XCAP), and Potential Modification of the List of Grade Separation Alternatives to add up to Three Concepts (Additional Alternatives for Study) at the Churchill, Charleston, and Meadow Grade Crossings; and B) Provide Direction to Staff Regarding Next Steps Including a Consultant Contract Amendment for Scope, Budget, and Schedule Modifications.

Council took a break from 8:03 P.M. and returned at 8:11 P.M.

MOTION: Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Cormack to direct Staff to move forward with exploring the "Constant Flow Underpass for Charleston and Meadow" concept.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

MOTION: Mayor Fine moved, seconded by Council Member Kniss to direct Staff to move forward with exploring the "Churchill Partial Underpass" concept.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

MOTION: Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Filseth to not re-think Embarcadero at Alma.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

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MOTION: Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Vice Mayor DuBois to continue Agenda Item Number 4, "Council Appointed Officers Committee Recommendation That Council Discuss..." to February 24, 2020.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

MOTION: Vice Mayor DuBois moved, seconded by Council Member XX to ask the XCAP to eliminate options.

MOTION FAILED DUE TO THE LACK OF A SECOND.

~~3. Update and Discussion of the Planning and Development Services Housing Work Plan and Direction to Modify or Direct new Assignments Related to Housing and Other Department Assignments.~~

MOTION: Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Filseth to continue Agenda Item Number 3, "Update and Discussion of the Planning and Development Services Housing Work Plan..." to a future date.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

~~4. Council Appointed Officers Committee Recommendation That Council Discuss and Accept the City Auditor's Office Organizational Study Report and Provide Direction on Next Steps.~~

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:26 P.M. with a special acknowledgement for the continued safety and enhanced quality of life for Palo Alto residents.