



# CITY OF PALO ALTO CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES

Special Meeting  
Monday, June 8, 2020

The City Council of the City of Palo Alto met on this date via Virtual Teleconference at 5:03 P.M.

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

Absent:

## Closed Session

### A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

**City Designated Representatives:** City Manager and his Designees Pursuant to Merit System Rules and Regulations (Ed Shikada, Rumi Portillo, Molly Stump, Monique LeConge Ziesenhenné, Nick Raisch, Kiely Nose, Gina Roccanova)

**Employee Organizations:** Utilities Management and Professional Association of Palo Alto (UMPAPA); Service Employees International Union, (SEIU) Local 521; Service Employees International Union, (SEIU) Local 521, Hourly Unit; Palo Alto Police Officers Association (PAPOA); Palo Alto Fire Chiefs' Association (FCA) and Employee Organization: International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), Local 1319; Palo Alto Police Manager's Association (PAPMA)

**Authority:** Government Code Section 54957.6(a).

**MOTION:** Council Member Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Cormack to go into Closed Session.

**MOTION PASSED:** 7-0

Council went into Closed Session at 5:05 P.M.

Council returned from Closed Session at 7:01 P.M.

Mayor Fine announced no reportable action.

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## Rail Communications Update

1. Connecting Palo Alto Rail Grade Separation: Receive an Update From the Expanded Community Advisory Panel (XCAP).

## **NO ACTION TAKEN**

## Consent Calendar

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor DuBois moved, seconded by Mayor Fine, third by Council Member Kniss to pull Agenda Item Number 4 to be heard on Tuesday, June 16, 2020.

Council Member Tanaka registered a no vote on Agenda Item Number 2.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Dubois moved, seconded by Council Member Cormack to approve Agenda Item Numbers 2, 3.

2. Approval of Contract Number C20177976 With Granite Construction Company in the Amount of \$2,006,813 for the Palo Alto Various Streets Resurfacing Project (STPL-5100(028)), Capital Improvements Program Street Maintenance Project (PE-86070).
3. Adoption of an Ordinance Dissolving the Library Advisory Commission by Amending Municipal Code Sections in Chapters 2.08 (Officers and Departments), 2.16 (Boards and Commissions Generally), and 2.24 (Library Advisory Commission).
4. ~~Adoption of Amendments to the City of Palo Alto Tobacco Retailer Permit Ordinance (Palo Alto Municipal Code Chapter 4.64) to Further Restrict Electronic Cigarette Products and Flavored Tobacco Products.~~

**MOTION PASSED FOR AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 2:** 6-1 Tanaka no

**MOTION PASSED FOR AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 3:** 7-0

Council took a break at 8:46 P.M. and returned at 8:56 P.M.

## Action Items

- 4A. Resolution 9890 Entitled "Resolution of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Expressing Support of the Black Lives Matter Cause."

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Council took a break at 10:08 P.M. and returned at 10:15 P.M.

**MOTION:** Mayor Fine moved, seconded by Council Member Cormack to adopt a Resolution Expressing Support of the Black Lives Matter Movement.

**MOTION PASSED:** 7-0

**MOTION:** Mayor Fine moved, seconded by Council Member Cormack to:

- A. Direct Staff to return with a framework to review, report on, and improve our police policies and practices focused on accountability and eliminating any potential incidents of racism or discrimination;
- B. Report on possible improvements to police hiring practices; and
- C. Begin a diversity and inclusion initiative throughout the City

**AMENDMENT:** Council Member Kou moved, seconded by Council Member XX to create a citizen oversight board comprised of three to five community members that would report to the City Council.

**AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN BY THE MAKER**

**MOTION PASSED:** 7-0

- 5. Adoption of a Resolution 9891 Entitled "Resolution of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Declaring an Intention to Temporarily Suspend the Levy of Assessment Against Businesses Within the Downtown Business Improvement District (BID) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 and Setting a Time and Place for a Public Hearing to be Held by the City Council on the Proposed Temporary Suspension;" or Other Direction to Staff Related to the District.

**MOTION:** Council Member DuBois moved, seconded by Council Member Kniss to adopt a Resolution of Intention to Temporarily Suspend the Levy of Assessments in the Palo Alto Downtown Business Improvement District (BID) for Fiscal Year 2021, setting a date and time for the public hearing on the proposal to suspend the levy assessments for June 23, 2020, at 5:00 PM, or thereafter, on the Zoom meeting platform.

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6. ~~Direct Staff to Continue With the 2020 Sustainability and Climate Action Plan (S/CAP) Update and Evaluate the 2020 S/CAP Proposed Goals and Key Actions~~ THIS ITEM HAS MOVED TO JUNE 16, 2020.
7. ~~Discussion and Direction to Staff Regarding the Establishment of a Pension Funding Policy; and Approval of Amendment Number 1 to Contract Number C15159278 to Increase Compensation by \$97,675 for Additional Actuarial Consultant Services for a new Total Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$230,000~~ THIS ITEM HAS MOVED TO JUNE 16, 2020.

## Study Session

8. Direction on Actions to Facilitate Outdoor Dining and Retail on Streets, Sidewalks and Parking Areas in Response to COVID-19 Emergency.

## NO ACTION TAKEN

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:11 A.M.