



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
7:00 PM - Tuesday, January 10, 2023
via Videoconference and In Person**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

At 7:05 p.m. Mayor Meadows called the meeting to order.

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Councilmembers Fligor, Lee Eng (via Zoom), Dailey, Vice Mayor Weinberg, Mayor Meadows

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Councilmember Dailey lead the pledge of allegiance.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

No closed session, nothing to report.

CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

There were no changes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

A. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

The following members of the public spoke: Rhoda Fry.

SPECIAL ITEM

B. Mayor's Comments

Mayor Meadows provided comments to the community.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Minutes:** Approve Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting of December 13, 2022. (A. Rodriguez)

Following a motion by Vice Mayor Weinberg, seconded by Councilmember Fligor, Item 1 was approved with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Fligor, Lee Eng, Dailey, Vice Mayor Weinberg, Mayor Meadows
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 2. Sixth Cycle Housing Element 2023-2031:** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Los Altos, California, adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), based on its independent analysis that MND was completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); find that there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment; and that the MND reflects the City's independent judgment and analysis; approving the 2023-2031 Housing Element of the City's General Plan; and Authorizing the Development Services Director to submit the Housing Element to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for its consideration and certification.

Development Services Director Zornes introduced David Bergman with LWC, who presented the item to Council.

Vice Mayor Weinberg, Mayor Meadows, Councilmember Fligor, and Councilmember Lee Eng asked clarifying questions and Director Zornes responded.

Mayor Meadows opened the public hearing and the following members of the public spoke: Freddie Wheeler, Erik Steinle, Jon Baer, Jeanine Valadez, Rhoda Fry, Rani Fischer, Rigo Gallardo, Terry Couture, Teresa Morris, Tom F, Roberta Philips, Payal Bhaduri, and Joe Beninato, Debbie Skelton, Anne Paulson.

At 8:51 pm, Mayor Meadows called for a recess and reconvened the meeting back to order at 9:03 pm.

Council engaged in discussion and asked Director Zornes additional questions.

Mayor Meadows closed public comment and continued the Public Hearing to the January 24, 2023, Regular Meeting.

At 10:50 pm, Mayor Meadows called for a recess and reconvened the meeting back to order at 10:55 pm.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 3. Second Amendment to the Noll & Tam Architects and Planners' EOC Conceptual Design Agreement for the Design, Construction Documents, and Construction Administration for the New Emergency Operations Center (EOC):** Adopt a resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 2 to the EOC Conceptual Design Agreement between the City of Los Altos and Noll & Tam Architects and Planners through FY 24-25 in an amount not to exceed \$250,690 to provide Design, Construction Documents, and Construction Administration for a new Emergency Operations Center to be constructed in the Community Center (M. Loatfi)

City Manager Engeland introduced the item to Council.

Councilmembers Fligor, Lee Eng, and Dailey asked clarifying questions and City Manager Engeland responded.

The following members of the public spoke: Art Whipple, Harry Guy, and Roberta Phillips.

A motion by Vice Mayor Weinberg, seconded by Mayor Meadows, to approve the Second Amendment to the Noll & Tam Architects and Planners' EOC Conceptual Design Agreement for the Design, Construction Documents, and Construction Administration for the New Emergency Operations Center passed with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Fligor, Lee Eng, Dailey, Vice Mayor Weinberg, Mayor Meadows
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

4. **Emergency Declaration Resolution:** Adopt a Resolution extending the declaration of a local emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic and provide direction on the conduct of Commission meetings (J. Maginot)

Assistant City Manager Maginot presented the item to Council.

There was no public comment.

Council engaged in discussion and asked clarifying questions and Assistant City Manager Maginot responded.

A motion by Vice Mayor Fligor, seconded by Mayor Weinberg, to adopt a Resolution extending the declaration of a local emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic, passed with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Fligor, Lee Eng, Dailey, Vice Mayor Weinberg, Mayor Meadows
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Council agreed and gave direction to allow the public participation to continue for Council meetings through the hybrid format.

Council agreed to have Commissions come back to in person meetings starting in March, 2023.

5. **Affirm 2023 Council Commission and Committee Assignments:** Pursuant to City Council Norms and Procedures, Affirm Mayor appointments to Local, Regional Boards and City Committees and Commissions

Mayor Meadows introduced the item to Council.

The following members of the public spoke: Jeanine Valadez, Sashi B, Liang Chao, Roberta Philips, and Nancy.

The Council engaged in discussion.

Vice Mayor Weinberg called forth a violation of the Council Norms by Councilmember Lee Eng. As defined in the Council’s Accountability Policy, the Council issued a warning to Councilmember Lee Eng, which serves as her first warning under the Policy. The warning is in response to the Councilmember’s violation of Council Norms and Procedures 6.3 Regional Boards and 11.10 Councilmember Respect.

Mayor Meadows amended her Council assignments to the Cities Association Legislative Action Committee appointing Councilmember Fligor as the primary and herself as the secondary and made no appointment to the Santa Clara County Library JPA.

A motion by Councilmember Dailey, seconded by Councilmember Fligor, to adopt the Mayor appointments as amended passed with the following roll call vote:

- AYES: Councilmembers Fligor, Dailey, Vice Mayor Weinberg, Mayor Meadows
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: Councilmember Lee Eng

Mayor Meadows requested the Interim City Clerk to communicate to VTA that Vice Mayor Weinberg received the Council’s nomination to be the Valley Transportation Authority Board Alternate for the North County Cities Group with all the rights and obligations pertaining thereto.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS ONLY

6. Tentative Council Calendar

COUNCIL/STAFF REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Vice Mayor Weinberg thanked Staff for their work regarding the recent weather emergencies.

Vice Mayor Weinberg requested that the Council issue a warning to Councilmember Lee Eng pursuant to the censure and formal admonition provisions of this Council’s Accountability Policy. Mayor Meadows and Councilmember Dailey supported.

Councilmember Fligor reported the start of her 2023 office hours being the 3rd Friday of the month alternating between Grant Park and Community Center with a start time of 9:30 am.

City Manager Engeland reported the Emergency Operation’s Center is active at level 3 and monitoring current storms.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Meadows adjourned the meeting at 12:44 am.

Sally Meadows, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Angel Rodriguez, INTERIM CITY CLERK

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