



CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
7:00 PM - Tuesday, May 24, 2022
via Videoconference

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

At 7:00 p.m. Mayor Enander called the meeting to order.

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Council Members Fligor, Lee Eng, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Meadows and Mayor Enander

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Tara and Mili Sridhar, with Troop 61911 & 60425 led the Council in the Pledge.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

No Closed Session - Nothing to report.

CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

No changes were requested.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Roberta Phillips requested Item 6 from the Consent Calendar to be removed. Marie Young, Beth Beninato and Mike Abrams ceded their time to Joe Beninato.

SPECIAL ITEMS

- A. Anne Roberts and Dick Liewer Recipient of the 2022 Los Altos Historic Preservation Award

Mayor Enander presented the Proclamation honoring Anne Roberts and Dick Liewer Recipient of the 2022 Los Altos Historic Preservation Award.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Minutes:** Approve Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting of May 10, 2022. (A Rodriguez)
2. **Approve Resolution:** Authorize staff to submit the Los Altos Climate Action and Adaptation Plan for a Beacon Award for environmental excellence (R Aggarwal)

3. **Delegation of Authority:** Authorize the City Manager to submit applications to CalPERS for Industrial Disability Retirements of behalf of the City (I Silipin)
4. **Quarterly Investment Portfolio Report:** Receive the Investment Portfolio Report through Quarter Ended March 31, 2022 (J Furtado)
5. **Tree Protection Ordinance:** Direct the Environmental Commission to work with City staff to evaluate the City's Tree Protection Ordinance and recommend changes as needed (J Maginot)
6. **Approve:** Rental Fee Waiver Request by the Friends of the Library of Los Altos (M Price)

Council Member Fligor requested to remove Item 5 and Council Member Lee Eng requested Item 6 to be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Mayor Enander asked a clarifying question regarding Item 2 to Staff. Laura Simpson, Interim Planning Director responded.

Following a motion by Council Member Neysa Fligor, seconded by Council Member Weinberg, Items 1-4 were approved 5-0 with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Member Fligor, Lee Eng, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Meadows, Mayor Enander
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Enander indicated Items 5 and 6 will be taken at the end of the Discussion Items.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. **Review and Approve:** Recommended Process proposed by Alta Housing for establishing a Below Market Rate (BMR) Waiting List and Provide Direction to Staff (L. Simpson)

Laura Simpson, Interim Planning Director, introduced Georgina Mascarenhas and Randy Tsuda from Alta Housing, whom presented to Council.

Council Members Lee Eng, Fligor, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Meadows, and Mayor Enander asked clarifying questions to the presenters. Council Member Weinberg asked a clarifying question to the City Attorney.

The following members of the public commented: Lori Cunningham, Anne Paulson, and Susan Russell.

The Council expressed support in doing an open recruitment and constituting a new waitlist, retain priority number 1 as is with the inclusion of Steven Creek Elementary and private schools, have number 2 be 'all those who live or work in Los Altos,' a number 3 for 'all others,' an annual report with all data tied to the operations of this program without any names or identifies of individuals, having City Staff lead a robust effort working with Alta on outreach to all schools (public, private, religious), ensure certificated

and non-certificated school staff as well as badged and administrative public service professionals as well as all of Los Altos business and religious institutions.

Council further indicated clarity was needed in explaining how the waitlist process works while setting realistic expectations to applicants and to see if Staff can work out a practical way for the lottery process to be more observable.

Council asked Staff to bring back any amendment to Alta's Contract if required to complete the desired work, including the possibility of expanding how Alta can work with rental firms on privately owned rental units and included deed restricted ADU units as well as additional outreach support if needed.

Mayor Enander moved to direct Staff to move forward with the formally noted instructions and following a second by Vice Mayor Meadows, the motion passed 5-0 with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members Fligor, Lee Eng, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Meadows, Mayor Enander
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None

At 9:21pm, Mayor Enander called a for a recess and returned the meeting back to order at 9:33 pm.

8. In-person City Council and Commission meetings: Provide direction on the return to in-person City Council and Commission meetings (J. Maginot)

Jon Maginot, Assistant City Manager, made himself available to answer questions from Council.

Council Members Weinberg, Fligor, Lee Eng, Vice Mayor Meadows, and Mayor Enander asked clarifying questions to Mr. Maginot.

The following members of the public commented: Pete Dailey, Joe Beninato and Freddie Wheeler.

Following Council discussion, a motion made by Mayor Enander, seconded by Vice Mayor Meadows, to have the option and the ability of holding hybrid public meetings with Council first and then include Commissions, if medically feasible and not against the County Health Officer's recommendations or State mandates, aiming for the first meeting being after the summer break. The motion passed 5-0 with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members Fligor, Lee Eng, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Meadows, Mayor Enander
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None

9. Council Legislative Subcommittee Update And Potential Council Action: Receive update from the City Council Legislative Subcommittee; discuss pending legislation including, but not limited to AB 2053, AB 2063, AB 2097, AB 2221, AB 2625, AB 2762, AB 2164, AB 1944, SB 897, SB 922, SB 930, SB 932, & SB 1067

Mayor Enander presented the report to Council.

There was no public comment on this item.

AB2181 was requested to add to the list from Council Member Lee Eng and AB2011 was requested to be added to the list by Mayor Enander.

Council Member Weinberg provided comments on SB 932.

10. Open Government Policy: Council Subcommittee Report

Mayor Enander presented the topic to the Council.

There was no public comment for this item.

Council discussion continued and will come back on a future agenda.

Consent Item 5: Tree Protection Ordinance: Direct the Environmental Commission to work with City staff to evaluate the City’s Tree Protection Ordinance and recommend changes as needed (J. Maginot)

Council member Fligor expressed some concerns around scope. City Manager England responded that they will only address technical aspects and not policy.

The Council asked clarifying questions to City Manager Gabe England to which he responded.

Following a motion by Mayor Enander, seconded by Council Member Lee Eng, to have the Environmental Commission look at the technical aspects of the tree ordinance. The motion passed 5-0 with the following roll call vote:

- AYES: Council Members Fligor, Lee Eng, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Meadows, Mayor Enander
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None

Consent item 6: Approve: Rental Fee Waiver Request by the Friends of the Library of Los Altos (M. Price)

The following members of the public commented: Roberta Phillips, and Freddie Wheeler.

Council Member Weinberg moved to approve, seconded by Council Member Fligor the item as presented. The motion passed 3-2 with the following roll call vote:

- AYES: Council Members Fligor, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Meadows,
- NOES: Council Member Lee Eng, Mayor Enander
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS ONLY

11. Tentative Council Calendar

Council Member Weinberg asked a clarifying question to City Manager England and requested for Council to review Council Norms, which received support from Vice Mayor Meadows and Council Member Fligor to have it on a future agenda as Discussion.

Council Member Fligor asked for an update on the Complete Streets Master plan and City Manager England answered.

Mayor Enander announced a forthcoming proclamation around Juneteenth.

COUNCIL/STAFF REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Mayor and Council Member Weinberg reported out announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:22 p.m.

Anita Enander MAYOR

ATTEST:

Angel Rodriguez, INTERIM CITY CLERK