



CITY OF PALO ALTO CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES

Special Meeting
August 6, 2014

The City Council of the City of Palo Alto met on this date in the Council Chambers at 6:00 P.M.

Present: Berman, Burt, Holman, Klein, Price, Scharff, Schmid, Shepherd

Absent: Kniss

Closed Session

1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION - GOAL SETTING
Title: City Auditor
Authority: Government Code Section 54957 (b)

The City Council returned from the Closed Session at 7:09 P.M. and Mayor Shepherd advised no reportable action.

Oral Communications

None

Action Items

2. PUBLIC HEARING: Comprehensive Plan Update – Discussion of Alternative Futures & Issues for Consideration in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR “Scoping” Meeting). The City will Prepare a Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Update of its Comprehensive Plan. Staff will Summarize Input Received at Recent Public Meetings and Invite Comments and Suggestions from the Public and the City Council Regarding the Alternatives and Issues that Should be Included for Analysis in the EIR(Continued from August 4, 2014).

Public Hearing reopened at 7:10 P.M.

Public Hearing closed at 7:25 P.M.

ACTION MINUTES

MOTION: Council Member Scharff moved, seconded by Council Member Schmid to direct Staff to: 1) return to Council with revised scoping scenarios for the Comprehensive Plan to include revised data input from Council, and 2) return with a plan on parking, traffic, density issues, and move these things forward in a reasonably short period of time.

MOTION WITHDRAWN BY THE MAKER

MOTION: Council Member Price moved, seconded by Mayor Shepherd to direct Staff to: 1) proceed with the preparation of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) analysis, taking into consideration input received during the scoping period, and based on the four conceptual alternatives, with specified modifications and refinements that have been requested by the Council, and 2) return to Council with the data on the historic growth of the City within 30 days.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Council Member Klein moved, seconded by Council Member Burt to continue this item. Direct Staff to return as soon as possible with; 1) a menu and present a work plan for studies underway with respect to traffic, parking, and zoning for Council review; 2) suggestions on a revised breadth and scope of the Comprehensive Plan update; 3) baseline data regarding environmental issues to be considered in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR); and 4) Staff to schedule a study session for Council to consider options for potential changes to the commercial portions of the Zoning Code and Zoning Map.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION PASSED: 7-1 Price no, Kniss absent

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 P.M.