



Christopher R. Clark, Councilmember
John M. Inks, Councilmember
R. Michael Kasperzak, Jr., Councilmember

Ken S. Rosenberg, Councilmember
Patricia Showalter, Vice Mayor
Leonard M. Siegel, Councilmember

Daniel H. Rich, City Manager
Lorrie Brewer, City Clerk

John McAlister, Mayor

Jannie L. Quinn, City Attorney

October 13, 2015

Council Chambers - 500 Castro St.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SHORELINE REGIONAL PARK COMMUNITY

6:30 P.M.-SPECIAL SESSION (HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS)

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President McAlister called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Downtown Committee Member Shaikh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Boardmember Clark, Boardmember Inks, Boardmember Kasperzak, Boardmember Rosenberg, Boardmember Siegel, Vice President Showalter, and President McAlister

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NONAGENDIZED ITEMS

Joan MacDonald presented information regarding her neighbor's daughter's rental situation where code violations were not addressed by the landlord. Ms. MacDonald also responded to Council's questions.

Phil Cosby expressed appreciation to Council for moving forward with consideration of potential fair rental practices, and he expressed concerns with volunteer plans and read an excerpt from East Palo Alto Community Legal Services Attorney Daniel Saver's analysis on mediation services for rental increases. Mr. Cosby also responded to Council's questions.

Paula Perez, speaking in Spanish, translated in English, presented rent increase letters and eviction notices, illustrating actions that are taking place in the community. Ms. Perez stated that the community is living in fear and she requested that Council take action and adopt a rent control moratorium. Ms. Perez also responded to Council's questions.

Jim Neal presented information on the fair rental practices of his landlord. Mr. Neal also suggested that Council not approve any more office projects. Mr. Neal also responded to Council's questions.

Steve Rasmussen expressed concern with the recent rent increases affecting members in the community, including employees of his business, The Milk Pail.

Mike Fischetti suggested that data is being provided by the members of the community repeatedly coming before Council expressing concerns with rent increases and the need to leave the City. Mr. Fischetti also requested that the Landlords in the community be asked to provide data. Ms. Fischetti also expressed concerns with the effectiveness of volunteer programs.

Angel Santuario expressed concerns that Council was not adopting a rent control moratorium.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 North Bayshore Transportation Infrastructure Update.

Public Works Director Fuller presented an oral staff report, and he, Community Development Director Tsuda, Community Manager Rich and Counsel Quinn, responded to the Board's questions.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR EXPRESSING CONCERNS AND/OR WITH RECOMMENDATIONS:

Jim Neal
Jeral Poskey, Google Transportation Manager

No action was taken

5. ADJOURNMENT - At 10:08 p.m., President McAlister adjourned the meeting

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

LORRIE BREWER, MMC
SECRETARY

JOHN MCALISTER
PRESIDENT