



Mayor Ellen Kamei  
Vice Mayor Emily Ann Ramos  
Councilmember Chris Clark  
Councilmember Alison Hicks  
Councilmember John McAlister  
Councilmember Lucas Ramirez  
Councilmember Pat Showalter

Kimbra McCarthy, City Manager  
Jennifer Logue, City Attorney  
Heather Glaser, City Clerk

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February 11, 2025

Council Chambers and Video Conference, 500 Castro St., Mountain  
View, CA 94041

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## REGULAR MEETING

This meeting was conducted with a virtual component. All members of the City Council and all speakers participated in-person unless otherwise noted.

### TELECONFERENCE NOTICE:

Mayor Ellen Kamei participated in the meeting by teleconference pursuant to Government Code §54953(b) from Hotel Winters, 12 Abbey St., Rm. 59095, Winters CA 95694. The teleconference location was accessible to the public and the agenda for the meeting was posted at that location pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(b)(3). Members of the public had the opportunity to address the legislative body at this location.

### 5:15 P.M.-CLOSED SESSION

At 5:15 p.m., Vice Mayor Ramos called the meeting to order.

#### 1. APPROVE REQUEST FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE §54953

Councilmember Showalter requested to participate through both audio and visual technology under the "emergency circumstances" provision of Government Code Section 54953(f) due to a personal medical issue. She stated no other person over 18 years of age was present at the remote location with her. This was request number one of the 2025 calendar year.

**Yes:** 5 - Councilmember Clark, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember McAlister,  
Councilmember Ramirez, Vice Mayor Ramos

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Kamei

#### 2. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT (OPEN SESSION)

City Attorney Logue announced the item listed for Closed Session.

There were no public speakers in-person or virtually.

At 5:18 p.m., Mayor Kamei joined the meeting.

At 5:18 p.m., Vice Mayor Ramos recessed the meeting to Closed Session with all Councilmembers present.

#### 3. CLOSED SESSION (PLAZA CONFERENCE ROOM)

**3.1 Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code §54956.9(d)(2) (3 potential cases)**

At 6:35 p.m., Closed Session concluded.

**4. CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Attorney Logue stated there was no Closed Session report.

**6:30 P.M.-REGULAR SESSION**

**1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

At 6:40 p.m., Vice Mayor Ramos called the meeting to order.

Vice Mayor Ramos led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 7 - Councilmember Clark, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember McAlister,  
Councilmember Ramirez, Councilmember Showalter, Vice Mayor Ramos, Mayor Kamei

**3. PRESENTATION**

**3.1 American Heart Month Proclamation**

Vice Mayor Ramos presented the proclamation to Dee Burris, Associate Chief Administrative Officer, and Dr. Wakako Nomura, Assistant Physician in Chief, Kaiser Permanente Mountain View Medical Offices.

There were no public speakers in-person or virtually.

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

The following members of the public spoke:

Giovanna Sardelli discussed Item 4.3.

Andrea Wald discussed Item 4.2.

Councilmembers Hicks and McAlister discussed Item 4.2.

MOTION - M/S - McAlister/ Ramirez - To approve the Consent Calendar.

**Yes:** 7 - Councilmember Clark, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember McAlister,  
Councilmember Ramirez, Councilmember Showalter, Vice Mayor Ramos, Mayor Kamei

**4.1 Approve Minutes**

Approve City Council meeting minutes of November 12, 2024.

**4.2 Performing Arts Home Company Review**

Approve the following changes to the Home Company program at the Mountain View Center for the

Performing Arts and its review and administration:

1. Update the title of the program from Home Company to Resident Company;
2. Set the maximum number of weeks of use of the MainStage to 13 weeks per season with no more than five consecutive weeks per production;
3. Set the maximum number of consecutive weeks on SecondStage to six weeks per season;
4. Adjust the maximum number of consecutive weeks reserved for Home Companies renting MainStage based on 65% of capacity sold the previous season; and, if less than 65%, require a midseason report to the Performing Arts Committee; and
5. Delegate approval authority to the Community Services Director or designee on all matters, other than fee adoption and Resident Company agreements, relating to the Resident Company program review and administration with the advisement of the Performing Arts Committee, and incorporate any modifications for Council approval during the renewal process of Resident Company agreements.

**4.3 California/Pacchetti Park, Design - Midyear Capital Improvement Program Project**

1. Approve a midyear Capital Improvement Program project, California/Pacchetti Park, Design.
2. Appropriate and authorize transfer of \$2,366,120 in park-in-lieu fees collected as a condition of approval for Application No. PL-2017-072 from the Park Land Dedication Fund to the California/Pacchetti Park, Design project. (Five votes required).

**5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NONAGENDIZED ITEMS**

The following members of the public spoke:

Bruce Karney from Mountain View discussed the goal of a methane-free city by 2045.

Albert Jeans from Mountain View discussed tree removal on Shoreline Blvd.

Cliff Chambers, on behalf of the Mountain View Pickleball Club, discussed pickleball court limitations.

Monica Williams from Mountain View discussed pickleball court limitations.

Alex Brown spoke against the use of additional resources for pickleball.

(Virtual) Pat Mead expressed support for the comments made by Bruce Karney and discussed climate change.

**6. STUDY SESSION**

**6.1 Legislative Program Priorities for 2025**

The purpose of this Study Session was to receive City Council input on the proposed legislative program priority issues to guide the City's regional, state, and federal legislative advocacy during the 2025 session.

Intergovernmental Relations Manager Christina Gilmore presented the item.

Dane Hutchings, Founder & CEO, California Public Policy Group, provided a state legislative advocacy update.

John O'Donnell, Senior Partner and Kyriakos Pagonis, Vice President of Policy and Government Affairs, Murray, Montgomery, O'Donnell, provided a federal legislative advocacy update.

District 13 State Senator Josh Becker provided an update.

District 5 Santa Clara County Supervisor Margaret Abe-Koga provided an update.

Elise Lester, Field Representative from District 23 State Assemblymember Marc Berman's office, provided an update.

At 8:38 p.m., Councilmembers Ramirez and McAlister left the dais.

At 8:41 p.m., Councilmember McAlister returned to the dais.

At 8:45 p.m., Councilmember Ramirez returned to the dais.

The following member of the public spoke:

(Virtual) John Scarboro from Mountain View.

A majority of the Council indicated support for the following recommendations:

Remove the Support only if the City Council determines this is feasible within the Tenant Displacement Response Strategy asterisk from C.7. (Regional and State Legislative Platform)

Add a policy statement that requires regional bodies to provide transparency and accountability to the public regarding how City Councilmember appointments are made to those regional bodies. (Regional and State Legislative Platform)

Provide alternative language in policy statements that begin with "oppose regulatory..." to distinguish between good-faith efforts versus bad-faith efforts as it relates to local control. (Federal Legislative Platform)

Add a policy statement that supports train noise reduction and quiet zones for VTA Light Rail and Caltrain. (Federal and State Legislative Platform)

Add a policy statement that supports reforms to state law that require contractor licenses for public art installations. (Regional and State Legislative Platform)

Add a policy statement that supports efforts to improve the builder's remedy process. (Regional and State Legislative Platform)

Add a policy statement that supports amending federal law to enable local governments to pursue reach codes. (Federal Legislative Platform)

The addition of a policy statement that supports requiring cities to report on Homelessness response in housing elements. (Regional and State Legislative Platform)

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

### **7.1 Housing Element (Program 1.1.g) Zoning and General Plan Consistency with Site Inventory**

Advanced Planning Manager Eric Anderson and Community Development Director Christian Murdock presented the item.

At 9:42 p.m., Councilmember Showalter left the meeting.

The following members of the public spoke:

Tejesh Mistry, on behalf of Ramada by Wyndham.  
(Virtual) David Watson

MOTION - M/S - Clark/Kamei - To confirm the identified approaches for the proposed rezoning and General Plan amendments for the following sites, as identified in the Housing Element Program 1.1.g:

- Leong Drive and Fairchild Drive properties on the west end of Evandale Precise Plan;
- 1702 Miramonte Avenue, 777 Cuesta Drive, and 1949 Grant Road;
- 695 Calderon Avenue; and
- Mountain View Transit Center.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 5 - Councilmember Clark, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Ramirez, Vice Mayor Ramos, Mayor Kamei

**No:** 1 - Councilmember McAlister

## **8. COUNCIL, STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

At 10:07 p.m., Mayor Kamei left the meeting.

Councilmember Clark stated he attended the Northern California Mayors and Councilmembers Academy in January.

Councilmember Hicks stated she attended an Avenidas Board of Directors meeting and toured the Avenidas Rose Kleiner Center with a Senior Advisory Committee member.

Vice Mayor Ramos stated she attended a Cities Association of Santa Clara County City Selection Committee meeting.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:15 p.m., Vice Mayor Ramos adjourned the meeting in memory of former Councilmember Ralph Favarelli.