CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW MEETING MINUTES - Draft

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



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2025 - 5:00 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND VIDEO CONFERENCE, 500 CASTRO ST., MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041

Kimbra McCarthy, City Manager/Community Manager Jennifer Logue, City Attorney/Counsel Heather Glaser, City Clerk/Secretary

February 25, 2025

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

JOINT MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL (REGULAR) AND SHORELINE REGIONAL PARK COMMUNITY (SPECIAL)

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

5:00 P.M.-CLOSED SESSION

At 5:00 p.m., Mayor Kamei called the meeting to order.

1. 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 5:01 p.m., Mayor Kamei recessed the meeting to Closed Session with all Councilmembers present.

- 2. CLOSED SESSION (PLAZA CONFERENCE ROOM)
- 2.1 Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation (Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)); Name of case: San Francisco Baykeeper v. City of Mountain View; City of Sunnyvale; United State District Court, Northern District of California, Case No. 20-CV-00824-EJD

At 5:11 p.m., Closed Session concluded.

3. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney Logue stated no reportable action was taken in Closed Session.

5:15 P.M.-STUDY SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:17 p.m., Mayor Kamei called the meeting to order.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. STUDY SESSION

3.1 Broadband Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis

The purpose of this Study Session was to:

- 1. Receive a report on the key findings from the Broadband Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis.
- 2. Provide feedback to staff on elements of the key findings for further analysis and consideration.

Assistant City Manager Arn Andrews presented the item.

The following members of the public spoke:

Alex Brown

(Virtual) Devon Conley from Mountain View.

(Virtual) Frank McConnell from Mountain View.

A majority of the Council indicated support for:

- 1. Moving forward with a City fiber network conceptual design
- 2. Exploring opportunities with partners in the area (e.g. El Camino Real Hospital, School Districts, etc.)
- 3. Exploring available funding sources
- 4. Preemptively lay conduit when possible
- 5. Benchmarking best practices (what peer cities are doing and how)
- 6. Bringing back alternatives and options

At 6:29 p.m., the Study Session concluded.

6:30 P.M.-REGULAR SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At 6:36 p.m., Mayor/President Kamei called the meeting to order.

Mayor Kamei led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Councilmembers/Boardmembers Clark, Hicks, McAlister, Ramirez, Showalter, Mayor/Vice President Ramos, Mayor/President Kamei

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Woman of the Year Announcement by Senator Josh Becker

Senator Josh Becker announced Olga Melo as the 2025 Woman of the Year for Senate District 13.

3.2 Black History Month Proclamation

Mayor Kamei presented the proclamation to Lavere Foster, Associate Director, African American Community Service Agency Family Resource Center.

3.3 Certificates of Recognition to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Winners from the Santa Clara County 2024 Synopsys Championship Science Fair

Mayor Kamei presented certificates of recognition to the following:

Polina Bortok

Carter Capetz

Madison Lee

Ashley Lim

Ashley Kim

Bridget Liu

Yuqin Ma

Indira Mariya

Caroline Martin

Young Min

Ariana Motaghiannezam

Ethan Park

Mika Perl

Christopher Shin

Gabor Szita

Sophie Tong

Angely Vargas

There were no public speakers in-person or virtually.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public speakers in-person or virtually.

MOTION - M/S - Ramirez/Ramos - To approve the Consent Calendar, including amendments to Item 4.6 as identified by staff in the Council Questions document.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Councilmembers/Boardmembers Clark, Hicks, McAlister, Ramirez, Showalter, Mayor/Vice President Ramos, Mayor/President Kamei

4.1 Approve Minutes

Approve City Council meeting minutes of November 19, 2024.

4.2 Senior Advisory Committee Reestablishing Resolution

Adopt Resolution No. 18965 of the City Council of the City of Mountain View Repealing Resolution No. 17420, and All Amendments Thereto, and Adopting a Resolution Reestablishing the Senior Advisory Committee.

4.3 Appoint Environmental Planning Commissioner

Adopt Resolution No. 18966 of the City Council of the City of Mountain View Appointing Tina Pham to the Environmental Planning Commission.

4.4 Temporary Closure from Public Access of a Set Number of Parking Spaces in Parking Lot No. 2 for Certain Durations Prior to February 25, 2026

Adopt Resolution No. 18967 of the City Council of the City of Mountain View Authorizing Temporary Closure from Public Access of Six Parking Spaces within Parking Lot No. 2 for 24 Consecutive Weeks and Authorizing Temporary Closure from Public Access of Seven Parking Spaces within Parking Lot No. 2 for 14 Consecutive Days to Occur Prior to February 25, 2026.

4.5 Appropriating Local Housing Trust Fund and Prohousing Incentive Program Awards to Affordable Housing Projects

Adopt Resolution No. 18968 of the City Council of the City of Mountain View: (1) Reducing the Previous Appropriation of \$8,400,000 from the Housing Department's Below-Market-Rate In-Lieu Fees Housing Subfund (BMR Fund) for the 1012 Linda Vista Avenue project by \$1,600,000 (Five votes required); (2) Reducing the Previous Appropriation of \$11,100,000 from the BMR Fund for the 1020 Terra Bella Avenue Project by \$3,226,500 (Five votes required); (3) Appropriating \$2,400,000 from the City of Mountain View Housing Department's City Local Housing Trust Subfund (City LHTF) to the 1020 Terra Bella Avenue Affordable Housing Project, \$1,600,000 from the City LHTF to the 1012 Linda Vista Avenue Affordable Housing Project, and \$205,452 from the City LHTF for Eligible Administrative Costs (Five votes required); (4) Accepting and Appropriating a State of California Prohousing Incentive Program (PIP) Round 2 Grant in the Amount of \$870,000 to the Housing Department's General Housing Subfund; (5) Allocating \$826,500 of the PIP Round 2 Grant Funds to the 1020 Terra Bella Avenue Affordable Housing Project; and (6) Authorizing Use of \$43,500 of the PIP Round 2 Grant Funds for Eligible Administrative Costs.

4.6 Adoption of Legislative Platform for 2025

Adopt the Legislative Platform, as amended, to guide the City's regional, state, and federal legislative advocacy efforts for 2025.

4.7 City Hall Remodel (Community Development Department Tenant Improvements Phase), Project 16-64, and City Buildings Workplace Study, Project 21-50-Various Actions

1. Find that, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements, City Hall Remodel (Community Development Department Tenant Improvements Phase), Project 16-64, is

categorically exempt as Class 1, Minor Alteration of Existing Public Facilities, under California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15301.

- 2. Transfer and appropriate \$900,000 of Construction/Conveyance Tax funding from City Buildings Workspace Study and Modifications, Project 21-50, to City Hall Remodel, Project 16-64. (Five votes required)
- 3. Approve plans and specifications for City Hall Remodel (Community Development Department Tenant Improvements Phase), Project 16-64, and authorize staff to advertise the project for bids.
- 4. Authorize the City Manager or designee to award a construction contract to the lowest responsible responsive bidder if the bid is within the available project budget of \$2,900,000.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NONAGENDIZED ITEMS

The following members of the public spoke:

Melanie Kaye from Mountain View, on behalf of herself, Eugene Cordero, Sue Antonoplous, Roger Kaye, (Virtual) Sherrill Brennan, and (Virtual) Greg Kannall, discussed 395 Loreto Street and other properties in Palmita Park.

(Virtual) Silja Paymer discussed the heritage tree ordinance.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

6.1 Code Amendment to Chapter 36 (Zoning) - Below-Market-Rate Housing Program (First Reading)

Affordable Housing Manager Julie Barnard presented the item.

There were no public speakers in-person or virtually.

MOTION - M/S - Hicks/Showalter - To:

- 1. Introduce an Ordinance of the City of Mountain View Amending Mountain View City Code Sections 36.40.05, 36.40.10, 36.40.15, and 36.40.20 to Make Clarifying Modifications, and Adding Section 36.40.16 Governing Rent Increases for Below-Market-Rate Units to the Mountain View City Code, and set a second reading for March 25, 2025.
- 2. Find that pursuant to California Code of Regulations Section 15060(c)(2), the proposed Code amendments are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because they will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Midyear Budget Status Report and Adjustments, and Fiscal Year 2025-26 Preliminary General Operating Fund Forecast

Finance and Administrative Services Director Derek Rampone presented the item.

The following member of the public spoke:

Albert Jeans from Mountain View.

MOTION - M/S - Ramirez/Ramos - To:

- 1. Receive and file the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Midyear Budget Status Report, the six-month status of the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Performance Measures (Attachment 1 to the Council report), and the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Preliminary General Operating Fund Forecast.
- 2. Adopt Resolution No. 18969 of the City Council of the City of Mountain View Amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget to: (1) Reduce Revenue Appropriations by \$166,300 in the General Operating Fund; (2) Appropriate \$210,000 in the General Fund Parental Leave Reserve for the Parental Leave Program, Appropriate \$200,000 in the Public Works Department, Solid Waste Landfill 544 Acres Fund for Landfill Operating Costs, Appropriate \$100,000 in the City Manager's Office, General Non-Operating Fund for the Community for All Grant Program, \$32,400 in the Community Services Department, General Non-Operating Fund for the Annual Pride Event, Appropriate \$15,200 in the City Council's Budget, General Non-Operating Fund for New Council Members' Per Term Allowances; (3) Transfer and Appropriate \$1,495,849 from the Park Land Dedication Fund to CIP 25-38, Eagle Park Pool Improvements, Transfer and Appropriate \$45,000 from the General Fund Transportation Reserve to CIP 23-31, Street Reconstruction (Miramonte Avenue), Transfer and Appropriate \$25,000 of Water Fund Appropriations from CIP 24-06, Water and Recycled Water System Improvement to CIP 23-42, Miramonte Reservoir Fence Replacement Project by \$25,000 (Net Zero Impact); and (4) Increase Appropriations by \$260,000 in the Community Development Department's General Operating Fund, Decrease Appropriations by \$272,000 in the Community Development Department's Development Services Fund, and Approve the Reallocation of Positions in the Community Development Department from the Development Services Fund to the General Operating Fund, for Project and Program Expenditures. (Five votes required)
- 3. Adopt Resolution No. S-179 of the Board of Directors of the Shoreline Regional Park Community Amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget to: (1) Reduce Revenue Appropriations by \$1,098,200 in the Shoreline Regional Park Community Fund; (2) Transfer and Appropriate \$5,000 of Shoreline Regional Park Community Fund Appropriations from CIP 24-24, NBS Semi-Annual Traffic Counts to CIP 25-24, NBS Semi-Annual Traffic Counts by \$5,000 (Net Zero Impact); and (3) Increase Appropriations by \$12,000 in the Community Development Department's Shoreline Regional Park Community Fund and Approve the Reallocation of Positions in the Community Development Department from the Development Services Fund to the Shoreline Regional Park Community Fund, for Project and Program Expenditures.

4. Approve/repurpose of \$43,475 in Unspent Limited-Period Funding in the Police Department, General Nonoperating Fund to purchase protective equipment.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

At 8:18 p.m., Mayor Kamei recessed the meeting. The meeting reconvened at 8:27 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

7.2 Council Strategic Priorities and Fiscal Years 2025-26 and 2026-27 Council Work Plan Project Identification

Assistant City Manager Audrey Seymour Ramberg presented the item.

The following members of the public spoke:

Bruce Karney from Mountain View.

Robert Townsend from Mountain View.

Alex Brown

Max Bosel from Mountain View.

Terrie Raul from Mountain View.

Jim Zaorski from Mountain View.

Steve Schramm from Mountain View.

Kevin K Lin from Mountain View.

Melanie Kaye from Mountain View.

Todd Dissly from San Jose.

(Virtual) Bruce England

(Virtual) Peter Katz, on behalf of the Mountain View Chamber of Commerce.

(Virtual) John Scarboro

(Virtual) Robert Cox, on behalf of Livable Mountain View.

(Virtual) Mary Dateo

(Virtual) Silja Paymer from Mountain View.

(Virtual) Michael Rodgers

(Virtual) Hala Alshahwany

David Watson from Mountain View.

MOTION - M/S - Ramirez/Showalter - To reaffirm the seven Council Strategic Priorities.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

MOTION - M/S - Showalter/Ramirez - To:

Propose potential projects for the Fiscal Years 2025-26 and 2026-27 Council Work Plan as follows:

- 1. Complete funding agreements and begin engineering for the Stevens Creek Trail Extension
- 2. Develop a strategy to facilitate home ownership, including for low- and moderate-income households, including addressing barriers to condominium development
- 3. Update R3 zoning standards
- 4. Develop a plan for ending the flow of natural gas by 2045 as part of the Decarbonization Strategy
- 5. Update the Race, Equity, and Inclusion Action Plan
- 6. Expand access to broadband Citywide
- 7. Implement smart water meters
- 8. Explore placing an amendment to the City Charter and a revenue measure on the 2026 ballot
- 9. Review and make periodic amendments to the Municipal Code in a phased approach to remove contradictory, unenforceable, or otherwise outdated sections
- 10. Establish Design Standards for streamlined and improved project development
- 11. Pilot an autonomous vehicle (AV) shuttle
- 12. Develop a Downtown vacant storefront window display and pop-up program
- 13. Increase the Pavement Condition Index to 71
- 14. Update Council Policies, legislative/contract templates, and other documents
- 15. Create a framework to support volunteer organizations working with the City
- 16. Implement an interim pickleball plan

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

8. COUNCIL, STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Showalter stated she attended a Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority Board of Directors meeting.

Mayor Kamei stated she attended the Cities Association of Santa Clara County Legislative Action Committee meeting, a Cities Association of Santa Clara County Board of Directors meeting and a Cal Cities Board of Directors meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

At 10:54 p.m., Mayor/President Kamei adjourned the meeting.