

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING – MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2025
PLAZA CONFERENCE ROOM
6:00 P.M.

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. with Committee member Ramos presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Committee members Ramos and Showalter

Absent: Chair Kamei

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

Motion—M/S Showalter/Ramos—Carried 2-1 (Kamei absent) - To approve the meeting minutes of April 15, 2025.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC—None.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 BOARD, COMMISSION, AND COMMITTEE OPENINGS

Deputy City Clerk Wanda Wong announced that: 1) Ethan Wiseman has withdrawn his application from the Board of Library Trustees, 2) Jessica Chohan has withdrawn her application from the Parks and Recreation Commission, and Cassandra Magana and Deeann Hu have withdrawn their applications from the Senior Advisory Committee. She stated that there would be a few applicants who would be attending via zoom.

The Committee selected the following time allocation and questions to ask each applicant:

Board of Library Trustees

The Committee interviewed Sharon Su (virtual) and asked the following questions:

1. *30 seconds: Why do you want to serve (or continue to serve) on the Board of Library Trustees?*
2. *One minute: What do you think would be likely areas of particular focus for you on the Board?*

Chair Kamei arrived at 6:15 p.m.

3. *Two minutes: What changes would you like to see at the Library?*

Parks and Recreation Commission

The Committee interviewed Jonathan Davis and asked the following questions:

1. *30 seconds: Why do you want to serve on the Parks and Recreation Commission?*
2. *One minute: What do you think would be likely areas of particular focus for you on the Commission?*
3. *Two minutes: What do you think should be the priorities of the Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan?*

Motion—M/S Showalter/Ramos—Carried 3-0—To reappoint Sharon Su to the Board of Library Trustees for the January 1, 2026-December 31, 2029 term.

Motion—M/S Ramos/Showalter—Carried 3-0—To reappoint Jonathan Davis to the Parks and Recreation Commission for the January 1, 2026-December 31, 2029 term.

Downtown Committee:

The Committee interviewed Mike Kasperzak, Peter Katz (virtual), Marisol Melara (virtual), Dennis Reiter, and Jamil Shaikh and asked the following questions:

1. *30 seconds: Why do you want to serve on the Downtown Committee?*

2. *Two minutes: What do you think of downtown Mountain View? How would you improve it? How would you balance the interests of businesses with those of the community?*
3. *One minute: The City has an Economic Vitality Strategy. How can the City assist downtown businesses?*

Performing Arts Committee:

The Committee interviewed Irina Crone and asked the following questions:

1. *30 seconds: Why do you want to serve on the Performing Arts Committee?*
2. *Two minutes: Describe your vision of the cultural scene and artistic desires of Mountain View and the surrounding communities. What policies of the Performing Arts Committee are you interested in working on?*
3. *One minute: What do you think should be the priorities of the Committee in the coming few years?*

Senior Advisory Committee:

The Committee interviewed David Kim and asked the following questions:

1. *30 seconds: Why do you want to serve on the Senior Advisory Committee?*
2. *One minute: What do you think would be likely areas of particular focus for you on the Committee?*
3. *Two minutes: What would you like to see the Senior Advisory Committee do?*
4. *How will you ensure that your personal business activities do not influence—or appear to influence—your decisions or responsibilities if you were appointed to the Senior Advisory Committee?*

Motion—M/S Ramos/Showalter—Carried 3-0—To appoint Marisol Melara, Downtown Business Association seat, to the Downtown Committee (Downtown Property and/or Representative of a Business) for the January 1, 2026-December 31, 2028 term; appoint Mike Kasperzak and Peter Katz, Chamber of Commerce seat, to the Downtown Committee (Business-at-Large) for the January 1, 2026-December 31, 2028 terms; appoint Dennis Reiter to the Downtown Committee (Community-at-

Large) for the January 1, 2026-December 31, 2028 term; and confirm the appointment of Jamil Shaikh to the Downtown Committee (Neighborhood) for the January 1, 2026-December 31, 2026 term (contingent on winning the neighborhood liaison position on the Old Mountain View Neighborhood Association election on December 15, 2025); appoint Irina Crone to the Performing Arts Committee for an unexpired term ending December 31, 2026; and appoint David Kim to the Senior Advisory Committee for the January 1, 2026-December 31, 2029 term.

CARC directed staff to readvertise the unfilled openings and schedule another meeting.

6. COMMITTEE/STAFF COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kamei adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.