

MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2018
SARATOGA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

At 6:00 p.m., the City Council held a Joint Meeting with Board of Supervisors President Joe Simitian in the Administrative Conference Room at 13777 Fruitvale Avenue in Saratoga.

Mayor Bernald called the regular session to order in the Civic Theater, Council Chambers at 13777 Fruitvale Avenue in Saratoga and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Mary-Lynne Bernald, Vice Mayor Manny Cappello
Council Members, Howard Miller, Emily Lo, Rishi Kumar

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: James Lindsay, City Manager
Richard Taylor, City Attorney
Crystal Bothelio, Deputy City Manager
Nora Pimentel, City Clerk
Mary Furey, Finance and Administrative Director
Debbie Pedro, Community Development Director
Michael Taylor, Parks and Recreation Director

REPORT ON POSTING OF THE AGENDA

City Clerk Nora Pimentel reported that the agenda for this meeting was properly posted on April 27, 2018.

REPORT FROM JOINT MEETING

Board of Supervisors President Joe Simitian provided an overview of the Joint Meeting, including concerns related to housing for teachers and age friendly communities.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Bernald warned residents about being cautious in selecting contractors sharing incorrect information about energy rates. Mayor Bernald also announced the City's food drive for West Valley Community Services, the Saratoga Historical Foundation Fundraising Benefit at Historic Old Grandview Ranch on May 19, 2018, Saratoga's Safety Fair on May 20, 2018, the City's Spring/Summer Recreation Activity, and the Youth in Government Internship Program.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

Proclamation Declaring May 2018 as National Preservation Month

Recommended Action:

Present the proclamation declaring May 2018 as National Preservation Month to the City of Saratoga Heritage Preservation Commission.

Mayor Bernald and the City Council presented the National Preservation Month Proclamation to the Saratoga Heritage Preservation Commission.

Appointment of Public Safety Task Force Member & Oath of Office

Recommended Action:

Approve the attached resolution appointing 1 member to the Public Safety Task Force; and direct the City Clerk to administer the Oath of Office.

City Clerk Nora Pimentel administered the oath of office to newly appointed Arun Venkatachar.

RESOLUTION NO.18-022

MILLER/KUMAR MOVED **TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPOINTING 1 MEMBER TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY TASK FORCE.** MOTION PASSED. AYES: BERNALD, CAPPELLO, MILLER, LO, KUMAR. NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. ABSENT: NONE

Asian / Pacific American Heritage Month

Recommended Action:

Declare May 2018 as Asian / Pacific American Heritage Month.

Mayor Bernald and the City Council presented the Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month proclamation to Council Member Lo.

Commendations to Representatives of Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and South Eastern Asian Cultural Groups

Recommended Action:

Present Commendations to Representatives of Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and South Eastern Asian Cultural Groups

Mayor Bernald and the City Council presented commendations to Phyllis Tung, Radica Giri, and Sue and John Tang for their contributions to the City of Saratoga.

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

1.1. Review of Accounts Payable Check Registers

Recommended Action:

Review and accept check registers for the following accounts payable payment cycles: 04/17/2018 Period 10; and 04/24/2018 Period 10.

CAPPELLO/MILLER MOVED **TO ACCEPT CHECK REGISTERS FOR THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PAYMENT CYCLES: 04/17/2018 PERIOD 10; AND 04/24/2018 PERIOD 10.** MOTION PASSED. AYES: BERNALD, CAPPELLO, MILLER, LO, KUMAR. NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. ABSENT: NONE

1.2. Treasurer's Report for the Month Ended March 31, 2018

Recommended Action:

Review and accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ended March 31, 2018.

CAPPELLO/MILLER MOVED **TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDED MARCH 31, 2018.** MOTION PASSED. AYES: BERNALD, CAPPELLO, MILLER, LO, KUMAR. NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. ABSENT: NONE

1.3. City Council Meeting Minutes

Recommended Action:

Approve the City Council minutes for the Regular City Council Meetings on April 4, 2018 and April 18, 2018.

CAPPELLO/MILLER MOVED **TO APPROVE THE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ON APRIL 4, 2018 AND APRIL 18, 2018.** MOTION PASSED. AYES: BERNALD, CAPPELLO, MILLER, LO, KUMAR. NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. ABSENT: NONE

1.4. Parks and Recreation Commission Fundraising Plan

Recommended Action:

Approve the Parks and Recreation Commission Fundraising Plan to collect donations and seek sponsorships for Movie Night.

Council Member Miller removed this item from the Consent Calendar.

Parks and Recreation Commissioner Renee Pacquier addressed questions from the City Council.

Mayor Bernald invited public comment on the item.

No one requested to speak.

MILLER /CAPPELLO MOVED **TO APPROVE THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION FUNDRAISING PLAN TO COLLECT DONATIONS AND SEEK SPONSORSHIPS FOR MOVIE NIGHT FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES.** MOTION PASSED. AYES: BERNALD, CAPPELLO, MILLER, LO, KUMAR. NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. ABSENT: NONE

2. PUBLIC HEARING

2.1. Appeal of a Fence Exception Approval for 14345 Maclay Court (APPC18-0001)

Recommended Action:

Conduct a public hearing and de novo review of the appeal, and adopt the attached resolution denying the appeal and approving the Fence Exception application for a recently constructed solid fence at 14345 Maclay Court.

Community Development Director Debbie Pedro announced that Kathy and Mike Scandling withdrew their appeal, therefore no further action was required.

Mayor Bernald opened the public hearing.

No one requested to speak.

Mayor Bernald closed the public hearing.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

3.1. Request to Rename the Administrative Conference Room

Recommended Action:

Rename the Administrative Conference Room at City Hall the Linda Callon Conference Room.

Recreation Director Michael Taylor presented the staff report.

Mayor Bernald invited public comment on the item.

The following people requested to speak:

Joyce Hlava

Jack Callon

Donna Poppenhagen

David Moyles

Jack Mallory

No one else requested to speak.

MILLER/CAPPELLO MOVED TO APPROVE THE RENAMING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM AT CITY HALL THE LINDA CALLON CONFERENCE ROOM AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE FACILITY NAMING CRITERIA.

Council Member Miller and Vice Mayor Cappello withdrew the motion.

LO/BERNALD MOVED TO APPROVE THE RENAMING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM AT CITY HALL THE LINDA CALLON CONFERENCE ROOM AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE FACILITY NAMING CRITERIA AND WITH THE ADDITION OF A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE. MOTION PASSED. AYES: BERNALD, CAPPELLO, MILLER, LO, KUMAR. NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

The Council agreed that a commemorative plaque describing Linda Callon's accomplishments would be placed in the conference room and to schedule Council review of the facility naming policy on a future City Council meeting.

3.2. Saratoga Senior Coordinating Council Lease Agreement and Update to Support and Facility Use Renewal Agreement

Recommended Action:

Accept report and adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Lease Agreement with Saratoga Area Senior Coordinating Council (SASCC) and an update to the previously approved SASCC Support and Use of Facilities Agreement

City Attorney Richard Taylor presented the staff report.

Mayor Bernald invited public comment on the item.

No one requested to speak.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-023

CAPPELLO/ MILLER MOVED TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SARATOGA AREA SENIOR COORDINATING COUNCIL (SASCC) AND AN UPDATE TO THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED SASCC SUPPORT AND USE OF FACILITIES AGREEMENT. MOTION PASSED. AYES: BERNALD, CAPPELLO, MILLER, LO, KUMAR. NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS

Mayor Mary-Lynne Bernald

Hakone Foundation Board – there was a meeting on April 19, 2018.

Saratoga Historical Foundation – there was a meeting on April 19, 2018 where there was a discussion on the general upkeep of the grounds and the plans for the Black Smith Shop. There was also discussion on creating more parking in the area that belongs to the City and is used by the Book Go Round and Historical Museum volunteers.

West Valley Clean Water Program Authority – there will be a meeting on May 3, 2018.

West Valley Mayors and Managers – there was a meeting on April 25, 2018, which included a discussion on gun safety, the Sunnyvale Gun Safety Ordinance, and the possibility for a gun buyback program. Updates on these programs will come back next month.

West Valley Solid Waste Management Joint Powers Authority – there will be a meeting on May 3, 2018.

Vice Mayor Manny Cappello

Cities Association of Santa Clara County Board of Directors – there will be a meeting on May 3, 2018.

West Valley Sanitation District – a meeting is scheduled for next week.

Council Member Howard Miller

Saratoga Ministerial Association – a new Rabbi will begin at Beth David on August 1, 2018 and there was a presentation from an organization called Cancer Care Point, which provides services to families undergoing cancer. It was noted that the RYDE Program is in need of volunteers and discussion on safe gun ownership continues.

Saratoga Sister City Organization – there are 17 people, including himself and his wife, who will be visiting Japan with the Sister City delegation. Council Member Miller started the discussion about the 35th visit from the Sister City Delegation to Saratoga next year and there is also a trip being planned to San Francisco in the fall to visit the Asian Art Museum.

Council Member Emily Lo

Hakone Foundation Board & Executive Committee – the Committee met and reviewed the year to date Financial Report. The night viewing of the Cherry Blossom event was a success, there were over 800 visitors and over new 300 memberships. There will be shuttle service from West Valley to Hakone on May 20, 2018 for the Hakone Matsuri.

Santa Clara County Library Joint Powers Authority – There was a meeting on April 26, 2018 where it was decided to expand library hours of operation. There was also a discussion about vote by mail ballot collection boxes and operating polling locations at the libraries.

Council Member Rishi Kumar

No report.

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

Council Member Miller, with the support of Vice Mayor Cappello, requested a commendation for Rabbi Ohriner at an upcoming Council meeting.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Kumar shared information about complaints he has received on the San Jose Water Company insurance mailer and confirmed that the San Jose Water Company is under investigation and audit by the California Public Utilities Commission. He provided an update on the state wide ballot measure, Keep California Safe.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager James Lindsay conveyed the City of Saratoga employee's appreciation for the Council's commitment to health and wellness and City events in next year's budget.

ADJOURNMENT

MILLER/CAPPELLO MOVED TO **ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:31 P.M.** MOTION PASSED. AYES: BERNALD, CAPPELLO, MILLER, LO, KUMAR. NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

Minutes respectfully submitted:

Nora Pimentel, MMC
City Clerk
City of Saratoga