



**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**Date: 9/14/2021**

**Time: 5:00 p.m.**

**Regular Meeting Location: [Zoom.us/join](https://zoom.us/join) – ID# 998 8073 4930**

**NOVEL CORONAVIRUS, COVID-19, EMERGENCY ADVISORY NOTICE**

On March 19, 2020, the Governor ordered a statewide stay-at-home order calling on all individuals living in the State of California to stay at home or at their place of residence to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus. Additionally, the Governor has temporarily suspended certain requirements of the Brown Act. For the duration of the shelter in place order, the following public meeting protocols will apply.

Teleconference meeting: All members of the City Council, city staff, applicants, and members of the public will be participating by teleconference. To promote social distancing while allowing essential governmental functions to continue, the Governor has temporarily waived portions of the open meetings act and rules pertaining to teleconference meetings. This meeting is conducted in compliance with the Governor Executive Order N-25-20 issued March 12, 2020, and supplemental Executive Order N-29-20 issued March 17, 2020.

- How to participate in the closed session and regular meeting
  - Submit a written comment online up to 1-hour before the meeting start time:  
[menlopark.org/publiccommentSeptember14](https://menlopark.org/publiccommentSeptember14) \*
  - Access the meeting real-time online at:  
[Zoom.us/join](https://zoom.us/join) – Meeting ID 998 8073 4930
  - Access the meeting real-time via telephone at:  
(669) 900-6833  
Meeting ID 998 8073 4930  
Press \*9 to raise hand to speak

\*Written public comments are accepted up to 1-hour before the meeting start time. Written messages are provided to the City Council at the appropriate time in their meeting.

- Watch meeting:
  - Cable television subscriber in Menlo Park, East Palo Alto, Atherton, and Palo Alto:  
Channel 26
  - Online:  
[menlopark.org/streaming](https://menlopark.org/streaming)

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Subject to Change: Given the current public health emergency and the rapidly evolving federal, state, county and local orders, the format of this meeting may be altered or the meeting may be canceled. You may check on the status of the meeting by visiting the City's website [www.menlopark.org](http://www.menlopark.org). The instructions for logging on to the webinar and/or the access code is subject to change. If you have difficulty accessing the webinar, please check the latest online edition of the posted agenda for updated information ([menlopark.org/agenda](https://menlopark.org/agenda)).

According to City Council policy, all meetings of the City Council are to end by midnight unless there is a super majority vote taken by 11:00 p.m. to extend the meeting and identify the items to be considered after 11:00 p.m.

**Closed Session ([Zoom.us/join](https://zoom.us/join) – ID# 998 8073 4930)**

**A. Call To Order**

**B. Roll Call**

**C. Agenda Review**

Agenda Review provides advance notice to members of the public and City staff of any modifications to the agenda order and any requests from City Councilmembers under City Councilmember reports.

**D. Closed Session**

Public Comment on these items will be taken before adjourning to Closed Session.

- C1. Closed session conference with labor negotiators pursuant to Government Code §54957.6 regarding labor negotiations with the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Local 829 (AFSCME) and Confidential employees; Service Employees International Union Local 521 (SEIU); Menlo Park Police Sergeants Association (PSA); Menlo Park Police Officers' Association (POA) and Confidential employees; unrepresented management; City Attorney and; City Manager

Attendees: City Manager Starla Jerome-Robinson, Assistant City Manager Nick Pegueros, City Attorney Nira F. Doherty, Legal Counsel Charles Sakai, Interim Human Resources Manager Kristen Strubbe

- C2. Closed session conference pursuant to Government Code §54957(b)(1) regarding public employee performance evaluation of the City Attorney

- C3. Closed session conference pursuant to Government Code §54957(b)(1) regarding public employee performance evaluation of the City Manager

**E. Adjournment**

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**F. Call To Order**

**G. Roll Call**

**H. Report from Closed Session**

**I. Presentations and Proclamations**

- I1. Proclamation: Recognizing Ali and Bistro Vida Small Business of the Year ([Attachment](#))

- I2. Proclamation: Recognizing the Suburban Park Association ([Attachment](#))
- I3. Proclamation: Recognizing Linda Hubbard ([Attachment](#))
- I4. Presentation: City manager recruitment ([Presentation](#))

#### **J. Public Comment**

Under “Public Comment,” the public may address the City Council on any subject not listed on the agenda. Each speaker may address the City Council once under public comment for a limit of three minutes. Please clearly state your name and address or political jurisdiction in which you live. The City Council cannot act on items not listed on the agenda and, therefore, the City Council cannot respond to non-agenda issues brought up under public comment other than to provide general information.

#### **K. Consent Calendar**

- K1. Adopt Resolution No. 6664 accepting the revised joint exercise of powers agreement – San Mateo County Operational Area Emergency Services Organization ([Staff Report #21-174-CC](#))
- K2. Authorize the city manager to execute an agreement with Baker & Taylor for the purchasing and processing of library materials in an amount not to exceed \$90,000 ([Staff Report #21-175-CC](#))

#### **L. Public Hearing**

- L1. Consider two appeals of the Planning Commission certification of a final environmental impact report and approval of a use permit, architectural control, below market rate housing agreement, and community amenities operating covenant, and consider the Planning Commission recommendation to approve a vesting tentative map for a major subdivision for the proposed Menlo Uptown project with 483 multifamily dwelling units comprised of 441 rental units and 42 for-sale condominium units and approximately 2,940 square feet of commercial space at 141 Jefferson Drive and 180-186 Constitution Drive ([Staff Report #21-169-CC](#)) ([Staff Presentation](#)) ([Applicant Presentation](#)) – **continued from August 31, 2021**

#### **Recess**

- L2. Consider an appeal of the Planning Commission certification of the final environmental impact report impact report and approval of a use permit, architectural control, below market rate housing agreement, and community amenities operating covenant, and consider the Planning Commission’s recommendation to approve a public utilities easement abandonment for the proposed Menlo Portal project with 335 multifamily dwelling units and an approximately 34,499-square-foot office space which includes approximately 1,600 square feet of non-office commercial space located at 115 Independence Drive and 104 and 110 Constitution Drive ([Staff Report #21-176-CC](#)) ([Staff Presentation](#)) ([Applicant Presentation](#))

#### **M. Regular Business**

- M1. Adopt Resolution No. 6663 to approve permanent installation of the Belle Haven neighborhood traffic management plan ([Staff Report #21-173-CC](#)) ([Presentation](#))

**N. Informational Items**

- N1. City Council agenda topics: September – October 12, 2021 ([Staff Report #21-171-CC](#))
- N2. Personnel activity report as of July and August 2021 ([Staff Report #21-172-CC](#))

**O. City Manager's Report**

**P. City Councilmember Reports**

**Q. Adjournment**

At every regular meeting of the City Council, in addition to the public comment period where the public shall have the right to address the City Council on any matters of public interest not listed on the agenda, members of the public have the right to directly address the Council on any item listed on the agenda at a time designated by the chair, either before or during the City Council's consideration of the item.

At every special meeting of the City Council, members of the public have the right to directly address the City Council on any item listed on the agenda at a time designated by the chair, either before or during consideration of the item. For appeal hearings, appellant and applicant shall each have 10 minutes for presentations.

If you challenge any of the items listed on this agenda in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Menlo Park at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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