



SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: 9/13/2018
Time: 6:00 p.m.
City Hall– “Downtown” Conference Room, 1st Floor
701 Laurel St., Menlo Park, CA 94025

A. Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Vice Chair Cole, Chair Combs, Judas, K. LeMieux, T. LeMieux, Marshall, Martineau, Ordonez, Nash, Sammut Johnson
Absent: Carlton, Shepherd
Staff: Sustainability Manager Rebecca Lucky, Project Contractor Candise Almendral, Project Contractor Gordon Mann, City Arborist Christian Bonner, Project Contract Facilitator AddieRose Mayer, Project Contract Facilitator Debbie Schechter

C. Public Comment

None.

D. Regular Business

D1. Community Building (20 min)

Project Facilitator AddieRose Mayer from Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center introduced this item.

D2. Approve the August 23, 2018 Heritage Tree Task Force meeting minutes (Attachment) (10 minutes)

Task Force Chair Drew Combs introduced this item.

ACTION: Motion and second (Nash/Marshall) to approve meeting minutes, passed (9-0-1-2; K. LeMieux abstained, Carlton and Shepard absent).

D3. Consider recommending changes to the intent and purpose of the Heritage Tree Ordinance (Staff Report #18-003-HT) (60 min)

Sustainability Manager Rebecca Lucky introduced this item.

ACTION: Motion and second (Judas/K. LeMieux) to amend intent and purpose of the Heritage Tree Ordinance, passed (10-0-2; Carlton and Shepherd absent).

ACTION: Motion and second (Nash/Vice Chair Cole) to establish and appoint Vice Chair Cole, T. LeMieux, Marshall, Martineau, Ordonez, and Nash to a subcommittee to draft suggested language to update the intent and purpose, passed (10-0-2; Carlton and Shepherd absent).

D4. Review and discuss the definition of a heritage tree and select up to three best practices or ideas for

further evaluation (Staff Report #18-004-HT) (60 min)

Sustainability Manager Rebecca Lucky introduced this item.

ACTION: Motion and second (Vice Chair Cole/Judas) to recommend the numbered order for defining a heritage tree to be changed to the following order (2), (3), (1), and have staff explore further removing or changing how multiple trunk trees are defined for easier implementation (10-0-2; Carlton and Shepherd absent).

ACTION: Motion and second (Martineau/Judas) to explore an option that would include and protect replacement trees planted as a result of a heritage tree removal in the definition of a heritage tree, passed (8-1-1-2; Chair Combs dissenting, Sammut Johnson abstaining, Carlton and Shepherd absent).

Members Judas and Ordonez depart at 9:30 p.m.

D5. Discuss the addition of two or more meetings between October and November 30, 2018 (15 min)

Sustainability Manager Rebecca Lucky introduced this item.

ACTION: Motion and second (Marshall/Chair Combs) to direct staff to send a doodle poll to review potential dates for additional meetings between October 3, 2018 and November 21, 2018 passed (8-0-4; Carlton, Judas, Ordonez, and Shepherd absent).

E. Adjournment

Chair Combs adjourned the meeting at 9:35 p.m.