



**DRAFT MINUTES  
CUPERTINO CITY COUNCIL  
Friday, June 18, 2021**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

At 6:15 p.m. Mayor Darcy Paul called the Special City Council meeting to order. This was a teleconference meeting with no physical location.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Darcy Paul, Vice Mayor Liang Chao, and Councilmembers Kitty Moore, Hung Wei, and Jon Robert Willey. Absent: None. All Councilmembers teleconferenced for the meeting.

**STUDY SESSION**

1. Subject: Discussion regarding the County's Office of Supportive Housing's consideration of a 2016 Measure A funded potential development located at a vacant parcel south off Interstate 280 and west of N. Wolfe Road (APN 316 20 088), formerly the northernmost parking lot for the Vallco Shopping Mall.  
Recommended Action: Receive the presentation from the County Office of Supportive Housing and facilitate a community engagement forum where the City Council and community can comment on and receive additional information on the project.

Written Communications for this item included a County presentation and emails to Council.

Director of Community Development Ben Fu introduced the item.

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments.

Santa Clara County Office of Supportive Housing Director Consuelo Hernandez gave a presentation.

Mayor Paul opened the public comment period and the following people spoke.

Jennifer Griffin was concerned about height limits and providing supportive services and access to transit; and supported community engagement.

Janet Van Zoeren supported more affordable housing and the aim of the project and examining and working out potential issues.

Housing Commissioner Connie Cunningham (representing self) was strongly interested in the type of project and supported figuring out potential issues.

Mayor Paul closed the public comment period.

Council received the presentation from the County Office of Supportive Housing and provided the following feedback.

- overall interest in the potential project addressing affordable housing
- concerns about who would be responsible should there be any contamination on the site
- consider potential issues of access to roads, noise quality, and pollution
- look at how the concentration of BMR (Below Market Rate) housing would balance out with the units on the Vallco SB 35 project
- concerns about how long the BMR ground lease would be for the County
- have overcome obstacle of finding two sites, take advantage of opportunity to explore and facilitate
- look at impacts on adjacent neighborhood separated by the barrier wall
- project needs to be studied
- support for gauging community interest
- explore how the City can support the County Office of Supportive Housing and non-profit organizations

## **ORDINANCES AND ACTION ITEMS**

2. Subject: Consider Authorization of the Mayor to Sign a Letter to the County of Santa Clara Board of Supervisors (Board) Regarding City Support of the Board Granting 1972 Ridgeline Protection Easement Enforcement Rights to Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District.

Recommended Action: Authorize the Mayor to Sign a Letter to the Board Regarding City Support Granting 1972 Ridgeline Protection Easement Enforcement Rights to Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District.

Included a staff presentation and an email to Council.

Director of Public Works Roger Lee gave a presentation.

Mayor Paul opened the public comment period and the following people spoke.

Rhoda Fry supported sending the Letter and authorizing a letter to the County Planning Commission regarding Steven's Creek Quarry importing materials from Lehigh.

Lisa Warren supported Rhoda Fry's comments and authorizing the Mayor to sign the Letter to the Board.

Housing Commissioner Connie Cunningham (representing self) supported Rhoda Fry's request and the Mayor writing a letter in support of the County taking action.

Susan Moore was concerned about the ridgeline, pollution of water and air, traffic, lack of transparency, and supported the item.

Mayor Paul closed the public comment period.

Council consented to reopen the public comment period and the following people spoke.

Jennifer Griffin was opposed to moving the ridgeline and was concerned that a land collapse would occur.

Mayor Paul closed the public comment period.

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments.

Wei moved and Moore seconded to authorize the Mayor to Sign a Letter to the Board Regarding City Support Granting 1972 Ridgeline Protection Easement Enforcement Rights to Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District. The motion carried unanimously.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:26 p.m., Mayor Paul adjourned the meeting.

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Kirsten Squarcia, City Clerk

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