



Minutes
Town of Atherton
August 24, 2016
3:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
94 Ashfield Road
Atherton, California
Special Meeting
City Council

ROLL CALL Lewis, Lempres, Widmer, Wiest, DeGolia

Widmer was excused from the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - (Limited to items on the agenda)

1. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF CANDIDATES TO THE OFFICES OF CITY COUNCIL THAT WERE TO BE VOTED ON AT THE NOVEMBER 8, 2016 ELECTION

Report: City Manager George Rodericks

Recommendation: Approve Resolution appointment of nominees to offices of City Council that were to be voted on at the November 8, 2016 Election. If approved, the election scheduled to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, is now cancelled.

City Manager Rodericks summarized the staff report.

Assistant City Attorney pointed out that there is no conflicts with the current incumbent nominees voting to approve this item.

City Clerk DellaSanta read the following letter from Council Member Widmer into the record.

Fellow Councilmembers,

I am sorry I cannot be with you today for the special meeting. I plan to be in attendance for the upcoming Council Study Session on the 7th of September and am looking forward to seeing you all again. As I am not in attendance, this public comments submittal, is submitted as a letter of support to cancel the upcoming election and reappoint the two sitting Councilmembers who have, in a timely manner, submitted their approved candidate forms for re-election. I believe our team has been working well together and I am hopeful that, with your vote to cancel the election, we will, without the suspense and cost of an election, be able to seamlessly move forward and continue to support the needs of the Town.

I look forward to the good news of your vote.

Best regards,

Bill Widmer

Vice Mayor Lempres noted that he is happy that the Council chose to wait until the very last minute to cancel the election. He felt that cancelling the election was not to be taken lightly and it was important to keep the door open as long as it could. Lempres added that he respects both nominees (Lewis and Wiest) and he is pleased with their reappointment.

Mayor Lewis thanked Vice Mayor Lempres for his words.

MOTION by Lempres, second by DeGolia to Approve Resolution appointment of nominees (Elizabeth Lewis and Cary Wiest) to offices of City Council that were to be voted on at the November 8, 2016 Election. If approved, the election scheduled to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, is now cancelled. The Motion passed 4-0-1 (Widmer, absent).

ADJOURN

Mayor Lewis adjourned the meeting at 3:11 p.m.