



Minutes
Town of Atherton
September 2, 2015
4:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
94 Ashfield Road
Atherton, California
Special Meeting

Mayor DeGolia called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL DeGolia, Lewis, Widmer, Wiest, Lempres

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None.

1. REVIEW OF TOWN-WIDE DRAINAGE STUDY UPDATE

Report: Community Services Director Mike Kashiwagi

Recommendation: Review the Drainage Master Plan Study and provide feedback regarding proposed projects and follow-up activities

Staff presented the staff report and the Town's consultant, NV5 walked the City Council through the 2014 Update. Key issues discussed included an overview of the Town's watersheds, an overview of water flows within the Atherton Channel, constraints and contributors to the Town's drainage issues, limitations of the systems, and tertiary drainage issues throughout Town.

Following discussion and questions regarding the temporal nature of the study data, the overall impact on the Atherton Channel of external upstream and downstream projects, and practicality and impact of detention areas, the Council provided the following feedback:

- 1) During this fall's rain season, the Town should conduct water flow and quality analysis to validate the data in the 2014 Report;
- 2) The Town should begin conversations with Las Lomas School District to discuss flow control and detention projects on their property;
- 3) The Town should investigate improvements done in compliance with the Regional Water Quality Control Permit for projects outside of Town but contributing to the Channel flow (Woodside/Sharon Heights);
- 4) Concurrent conversations should be held with downstream agencies (County, Menlo Park, Redwood City) to address downstream constraints;
- 5) The Town should begin investigation of and feasibility of a detention basin at Holbrook-Palmer Park;
- 6) Staff will provide the Council with its Storm Readiness Operations Plan for 2015/16 which will include maintenance and improvement projects as recommended in the 2014 Drainage Master Plan;
- 7) Staff will conduct a local tour of drainage facilities with interested members of the Council;
- 8) Staff will provide the Council with an update on funds spent on drainage improvements since the 2001 Plan; and
- 9) Staff will return with a 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan to address other recommended

priorities in the 2014 Drainage Master Plan.

2. AIRCRAFT NOISE SUBCOMMITTEE – FEEDBACK ON THE AIRPORT LAND USE COMPATIBILITY PLAN

Report: City Manager George Rodericks

Recommendation: Review and Provide Feedback.

The Aircraft Noise Subcommittee provided a report on current activities surrounding the issue of aircraft noise over Atherton and asked the Council for feedback to the Vice Mayor on C/CAG's Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan

Following discussion and update to local efforts on noise, the City Council provided feedback to the Vice Mayor to report back to C/CAG and to write in a separate letter from the Town in response to the comment period on the Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan.

The letter from the Mayor should:

- 1) Address requests for mitigation measures such as rebates for double pane windows and noise monitoring in impacted communities for compliance;
- 2) Address the fact that there have been changes in aviation over the years that have had significant impacts on communities;
- 3) Ask that given the rapid advances in technology that the ALUCP be a 10 year plan instead of a 20 year plan;
- 4) Ask for action by the Board of Supervisors and San Carlos Airport to limit and mitigate expansion impacts of the airport itself;
- 5) Bring attention to the cross purposes of the ALUC pitting the health and safety (to include noise) of surrounding communities against expansion needs of the airport;
- 6) Clarify that Atherton is not within the impact areas of the airport, according to the ALUCP, yet it is significantly impacted by noise and overflights;
- 7) Ask the Board of Supervisors, as the airport sponsor under the airport assurances agreement with the FAA, to request the FAA to impose reasonable restrictions on airport operations for the betterment of the community;
- 8) Demand that the Board of Supervisors hold public meeting on the impacts of the airport;
- 9) State that in general, the Town does not support the ALUCP, noting airport expansion impacts and Surf Air;
- 10) State that the Town does not agree with the CNEL noise measurements for local impact and provide information on local noise monitoring efforts;
- 11) Ask for documentation on any penalties imposed - when and to whom – as noted within the ALUCP; and
- 12) Write a separate letter specifically to the Board of Supervisors asking that they hold a public meeting and address the airport assurances request.

ADJOURN

Mayor DeGolia adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Theresa DellaSanta
City Clerk