



**MILLBRAE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
September 9, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER MILLBRAE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Lee called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Wayne J. Lee, Vice Mayor Robert G. Gottschalk, Councilmembers Marge Colapietro, Anne Oliva, and Reuben D. Holober.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. FLAG

1. **CEREMONIAL/PRESENTATION**

- Proclamation Proclaiming the week of September 15 – 21, 2014 as Pollution Prevention Week

Mayor Lee presented the Proclamation to Kevin Cesar, Laboratory and Source Control Supervisor and Catherin Allin, Senior Industrial Waste Inspector.

- Informational Report on Infrastructure Task Force

Ming Lee, Infrastructure Task Force Member, made a brief presentation to the Council. He stated that Mayor Lee assembled the Task Force after the multiple water main breaks in 2013; they are looking into the City's aging infrastructure specifically: streets, water mains, storm drains, and sewer lines.

2. **AGENDA OVERVIEW/STAFF BRIEFING**

- Report of Bills and Claims
- Report out from Closed Session of July 22, 2014

City Manager Marcia Raines reviewed the agenda items. She noted that the Informational Report of Bills and Claims illustrates a new automated process which explains the two series of check runs.

She noted a minor change to Page 3 of regular meeting minutes of July 22nd. Under staff responded, modify the 4th bullet to read: "communicate with all water users".

City Attorney Joan Cassman stated that the Council had met in Closed Session on July 22nd and discussed the matter of Labor Negotiations. The discussion was regarding Teamsters Local 856 and an agreement was reached. The City Council met at a Special Meeting on August 5th to adopt a Memorandum of Understanding.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Special Joint Meeting of July 22, 2014
- Regular Meeting of July 22, 2014
- Special Meeting of August 5, 2014

Minor corrections were submitted to the City Clerk; no substantive changes were made. Upon a motion/second by Colapietro/Oliva, the minutes were adopted with the modification noted above by the City Manager.

4. ORAL REPORT FROM CITY COMMITTEE/COMMISSION CHAIRS

- NONE

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Wynn Grich, Hayward resident, spoke on the dangers of chemical trails. She also announced that Geoenvironment.org will hold a march on September 27th. She stated that the City should have a pipe replacement plan in place which should be the priority of the general funds; however these are being taken up by redevelopment.

Michael Francoise, East Palo Alto resident, spoke on redevelopment and the use of redevelopment funds to fund project and mixed-use developments and take money out of the general fund.

Paul Harrell, Relay for Life, thanked the Council for their attendance at the Relay for Life event in July. He stated that over 216 people attended, of which over 20 were survivors. The event raised approximately \$51,000. He stated that they would like to come back again in July 2015 for another successful event.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar item was pulled off the agenda to receive public comment.

5. Adoption of Resolution No. 14-43 Authorizing the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) to Arbitrate Certain Matters Related to the Water Supply Agreement with the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Begin public comment.

Wynn Grich, Hayward resident, commented on the news that the SFPUC had overcharged agencies and that there would be a refund coming to the agencies affected. She also spoke on bio-engineered weather and the need to replace the pipeline in the Calaveras tunnel.

End of public comment.

Upon a motion/second by Holoher/Colapietro Consent Calendar item 5 was unanimously adopted.

PUBLIC HEARING

6. Public Hearing to Adopt Resolution Enacting the City's Water Shortage Contingency Plan and State Drought Emergency Regulations

Public Works Director Chip Taylor presented the report stating that the City is now moving toward implementing Stage 1:

- restricting watering between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.;
- requiring that hoses have shut off nozzles;
- prohibiting the watering of outdoor landscape that causes runoff to adjacent property, public and private walkways, roadways.;
- prohibiting the watering of hard surfaces;
- prohibiting the use of potable water in fountains, unless the water is re-circulated.

City will educate the public via the City's website and Facebook, MCTV, a postcard mailer, and the water bill. The City is proposing passive enforcement and will use staff that is currently out in the field to report on issues. The first two notices will be used as an educational opportunity; the third through fifth notices will trigger looking at the Municipal Code and implementing fines as established by the Code. The City is still at the voluntary 10% water reduction.

Begin public comment.

Daniel F. Quigg, Millbrae resident, appreciated the staff report and for providing the residents with information and education on water conservation. He is also pleased that the City is supporting the Governors message about using water wisely.

Wynn Grich, Hayward resident, stated that the reason for the drought is engineered by the government. Chemical trails are being sprayed, the water is being poisoned, and fracking fluids are also contaminating the ground water supply.

Michael Francoise, East Palo Alto resident, stated that 10 cities in the Central Valley are running out of water and that it is being contaminated in these areas so that the high speed rail line can be built.

End of public comment.

Upon a motion/second Colapietro/Oliva the Public Hearing was closed.

Councilmember Colapietro noted that in addition to the publication in the newspaper, the Chamber of Commerce had also sent out a special e-mail notice to their membership. She stated that perhaps this item should be discussed on a future agenda with Commissions/Committees, the school district and service clubs. She also noted that power washing of sidewalks will not be allowed and this will be a burden on the business owners.

Staff noted that it was the responsibility of business owners to clean sidewalks.

Mayor Lee inquired about the reuse of water.

Staff noted that when water lines are flushed, that water will be used to fill up the street sweeper that and water from the water tanks can be used to water plants and can be used to water hard surfaces for health reasons.

Councilmember Holober inquired as to why it was decided to go to Level 1.

Staff responded that the State Water Board required that the restriction of outdoor watering be met and, Stage 1 was the first level that had this restriction.

Upon a motion/second by Colapietro/Oliva, Resolution No. 14-44 enacting the City's Water Shortage Contingency Plan and State Drought Emergency Regulations was unanimously adopted.

EXISTING BUSINESS

7. Adoption of a Resolution Adopting a City Logo for the City of Millbrae

City Clerk Angela Louis presented the report.

Vice Mayor Gottschalk inquired about the color scheme and asked if it were the same as the way-finding signage.

Staff affirmed that the color scheme was the same as the signage.

Councilmember Colapietro:

- inquired about the black and white logo, how/when used;
- inquired about the slogan shown on page 3 of the attachment, is this new;
- requested that the following language also be added to the resolution: “the logo would not replace the City Seal”.

Staff responded:

- the black and white logo can be used the same way that the color logo would be used;
- the slogan on the attachment was part of the concept submitted by the design firm. There was no discussion regarding the slogan.

Councilmember Oliva stated that the seal and the logo are separate. The logo represents the branding of the City and the seal represents the government.

Mayor Lee stated that the logo will be used to brand the City and will be a quick visual to recognize the City. The logo is separate from the seal and the additional wording does not need to be added to the resolution.

No public comment for this item.

Upon a motion/second by Lee/Oliva, Resolution No. 14-45 adopting a City Logo for the City of Millbrae was adopted; Councilmember Colapietro dissented.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Council Consideration to hold a Special Council Meeting in November due to the Cancellation of the November 11, 2014 Council Meeting (Veterans Day Holiday) and Cancellation of the December 23, 2014 Council Meeting

City Clerk Angela Louis presented the report.

Council discussion ensued and the Council agreed to tentatively schedule the November 18th Council meeting in the event that it was needed.

No public comment for this item.

Upon a motion/second by Colapietro/Oliva, the Council unanimously agreed to tentatively schedule the November 18th Council meeting in the event that it was needed and canceled the December 23rd Council meeting.

9. Adoption of a Resolution to Form a Friendship City Relationship with Taishan, China

City Clerk Angela Louis presented the report.

Council discussion ensued and there was a question about the difference between Sister City and Friendship City.

Staff replied that Sister City International does not have a formal protocol on how a Friendship City is formed or specific documents that need to be signed between the two cities. Additionally, there may be a cultural difference in the translation of the word “sister”.

Vice Mayor Gottschalk noted that in China local governments can enter into Friendship City relationships, however only the government in Beijing can approve a Sister City relationship.

Councilmember Colapietro inquired as to why form another relationship with a city in China when we already have a relationship with Kaiping. She noted that Millbrae extended an invitation to enter into a relationship with Hanyu, Japan and that there are many other ethnicities represented in Millbrae.

Mayor Lee noted that the recent relationship with Hanyu is cultural in nature and he will be visiting Hanyu. The relationship with Taishan will be to create economic ties.

There was continued Council discussion and Councilmember Oliva noted that we should look into this relationship with Taishan as there is no fiscal impact to the City and, it would fit in with the goal of economic development. Councilmember Holober stated that the City is not bound financially by entering into this relationship and that it does not preclude the City from entering into relationships with other cities. Vice Mayor Gottschalk stated that Friendship City and Sister City relationships are only as successful as the involvement of the community and those who wish to see them prosper.

Councilmember Colapietro expressed concern about the potential fiscal impact relative to Sister Cities and Friendship Cities and stated that she would like to see financial and other major items come back before the Council.

City Clerk Louis stated that should the City take on more responsibility in hosting a delegation, or becoming more involved in the Lunar New Year Festival, more full time hours may be spent and there may be an impact on the General Fund; short and long term costs will be determined at that time by the Council.

No public comment for this item.

Upon a motion/second by Gottschalk/Oliva Resolution No. 14-46 forming a Friendship City Relationship with Taishan, China was adopted; Councilmember Colapietro dissented.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Lee:

- Thanked staff for their work on obtaining the AA+ credit rating;
- Thanked the Lions Club for their successful car show in August;
- Announced that September is pledge month for the Millbrae Education Foundation and he has put up a \$500 challenge grant;
- Announced that the San Mateo Union High School District notified the City that Design Tech is on their September 11th Board meeting agenda.

Vice Mayor Gottschalk:

- Congratulated the Chamber of Commerce for their successful Art and Wine Festival;
- Announced that the Peninsula Chinese Business Association recently awarded \$4,000 to Mills High School, \$3,000 to Taylor Middle School, and \$2,000 to each elementary school and a gift to the Millbrae Library.

Councilmember Colapietro:

- Announced that City Manager Marcia Raines is now the President of League of California Cities City Managers Department;
- Congratulated Max Bosel on his appointment as the new Police Chief in Mountain View;
- Announced that CERT volunteers participated in the Urban Shield disaster preparedness drill in South San Francisco;
- Announced that C/CAG BPAC recently approved issuing a call for projects; \$1.5 million in grant funding will be available;
- Requested that tonight’s meeting be adjourned in memory of Millbrae residents Jack Ward, Dale W. Buettgenback, and Rosina Alioto.

Councilmember Oliva:

- Attended the recent League of California Cities Annual Conference;
- Announced that the City has a credit rating of AA+;
- Announced that tonight is the four year anniversary of the PG&E fire in San Bruno.

Councilmember Holober:

- Attended the recent Library JPA meeting and noted that Millbrae has the most visited library in the JPA. A 3D printer is also available for use at the Millbrae Library.

RECESS CITY COUNCIL

There being no further regular business to discuss, the City Council recessed at 9:11 p.m.

RECONVENE CITY COUNCIL

CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Labor Negotiators

Closed Session held pursuant to Government Code §954957.6

Agency Negotiator:	Marcia Raines
Employee Organization:	Teamsters Sanitation Local 856

Employee Group:	Unrepresented Management
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ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL

There being no further business to discuss, the City Council adjourned at 9:45 p.m. in n memory of Millbrae residents Leona “Lee” Clothakis, Jerome Karp, and Patricia Realini, Jack Ward, Dale W. Buettgenback, and Rosina Alioto; Nancy Reider, mother of Shelly Reider, Environmental Programs Manager; and Dean DiRanieri, son of Dino DeRanieri Millbrae CERT Program Coordinator.

/s/ Angela Louis
City Clerk

/s/ Wayne J. Lee
Mayor