



**MILLBRAE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
April 11, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER MILLBRAE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Holober called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Reuben D. Holober, Vice Mayor Gina Papan, Councilmembers Ann Schneider, Wayne J. Lee, and Anne Oliva.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. FLAG

1. CEREMONIAL/PRESENTATION

- Recognition of Lions Club Peace Poster Competition Winner

Mayor Holober presented the certificate of recognition to Carisa Chiu.

- Proclamation Proclaiming the April 29, 2017 as Arbor and Earth Day

Mayor Holober presented the proclamation to City Engineer Khee Lim.

2. AGENDA OVERVIEW/STAFF BRIEFING

- Report of Bills and Claims

City Manager Raines reviewed the agenda items. Regarding Consent Calendar item 8, in the resolution, the references to "Sister City" were replaced with "Friendship City"; Millbrae has a Friendship City relationship with Hanyu, Japan. She updated the Council on the following items:

- Youth golf program starting on April 12th;
- Employee spotlight on Paul Neily;
- Central Park street parking: no changes in parking has been made and notices was sent out to residents in the area;
- The County of Board of Supervisors awarded a \$250,000 grant to assist Millbrae with the modular units for the interim Community Center.

Vice Mayor Papan requested that item 5 be pulled for discussion. Mayor Holober requested that item 10 be discussed before item 9.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Regular Meeting of January 24, 2017

Upon a motion/second by Lee/Papan, the minutes were unanimously approved as revised with the correction of two minor typos; no substantive changes were made.

4. ORAL REPORT FROM CITY COMMITTEE/COMMISSION CHAIRS

- Update Report from the Community Enhancement Advisory Committee

Chair Carol Krasilnikoff updated the Council on the activities of the Community Enhancement Advisory Committee.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Wynn Greich, Hayward resident, spoke on the detrimental health effects of chloramines in the drinking water.

Karen Huang, Millbrae resident, spoke on the electric vehicle charging station time limit. The two hour time limit is not long enough to fully charge vehicle.

You You Xue, Millbrae resident, spoke on the electric vehicle ordinance. Use of charging stations has decreased, people do not want to park in these spots as they are afraid of getting a ticket. These spots are taking up parking, and hurting businesses. Two hours is not enough to charge any vehicle. Collected a petition with 35 signatures. Charging costs more than what it would cost to charge at home; 60 cents versus \$1.00. He would like to see staff revise this ordinance to have parity with other nearby cities.

Edward Reynosa, Millbrae resident, complained regarding the mail service. He spoke out against the Postal Service; the mail comes open, wrong mail delivered and, does not receive mail timely. He addressed this issue with the local Postmaster but things have gotten worse.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Vice Mayor Papan pulled item 5 for discussion.

5. Resolution Awarding Construction Contract to G. Bortolotto and Company, Inc. for Various Streets and Roads Preservation Project No. 112 and Resolution Awarding a Professional Services Agreement to CSG Consultants

Vice Mayor Papan inquired about which City streets are being repaired and wants the budgeted money to be spent on street repairs. She inquired about what the consultant would do and asked if staff is meeting with Caltrans.

Staff stated that this is a Federal project and subject to oversight. The consultant will oversee the project with an engineer and inspector managing the project. Staff is meeting with Caltrans and a representative from Caltrans will be at the April 25th Council meeting to discuss these issues.

Upon a motion/second by Papan/Oliva, Resolution No. 17-14 awarding a Construction Contract to G. Bortolotto and Company, Inc. for Various Streets and Roads Preservation Project No. 112 and Resolution Awarding a Professional Services Agreement to CSG Consultants was unanimously approved.

6. Motion Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Contract Change Orders with Mitchell Engineering in Excess of 10% of the Total Project Cost for the 2016 Water Main Replacement Project
7. Resolution No 17-15 Ratifying a Contract with Erris Pipelines for Emergency Sewer Repair at the 1000 Block of Sequoia Avenue
8. Resolution No. 17-16 Extending Friendship City Agreement with Hanyu, Japan

Upon a motion/second by Lee/Papan, Consent Calendar items 6, 7, and 8 were unanimously approved.

PUBLIC HEARING

NONE

EXISTING BUSINESS

9. Receive Report and Motion to Approve Recommendations for the Community Center Rebuild Project's Public Outreach and Participation Plan

Project Manager Ingram introduced Dawn Marquez, Group 4. Ms. Marquez reviewed the public participation plan for the Community Center rebuild project. The public workshops will be noticed as joint meeting of the City Council and the Parks and Recreation Commission. This will allow the Council and Commission Members to participate in the process. She discussed the makeup of the Advisory Committee and their proposed 6 meetings, and the Stakeholder Committee and their three meetings. Group 4 will also engage in focus groups with the various Committees and then bring them into specific discussions. Part of the outreach plan will be to have pop up kiosks at events and at various locations in the City.

Council received the report and requested that staff and Group 4 ensure that outreach is done to include the various groups within the community so that everyone can be a part of the process. The emphasis is on early involvement in the process and ensuring that clear communication about meetings and what is going on at the Community Center regarding demolition is clearly communicated with the residents in the area.

No public comment for this item.

Upon a motion/second by Schneider/Papan the Council unanimously received the report and moved to approve recommendations for the Community Center Rebuild Project's Public Outreach and Participation Plan.

NEW BUSINESS

10. Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 16-17 Budget to Include an Appropriation of \$250,000 for the Millbrae Winter Skating Rink Project

Public Works Director Kianpour presented the report. The City has looked at seven potential sites for the proposed ice rink project: 290 Broadway, City owned site in the downtown area; 400 Block of Broadway, City owned site between Hillcrest Boulevard and Taylor Boulevard; 300 Block of Magnolia, City owned site; City Hall/Library parking lots; Meadow Glen parking lot (Office Depot lot) and Millbrae Square parking lot, both of which are privately owned. There are issues regarding noise and parking impacts on some of the City owned sites. The City Hall parking lot is the potential site for the modular units for the interim Community Center and the Library parking lot would impact parking for Library patrons. Staff reached out to the owners of the Office Depot lot and has not received a response.

City Manager Raines noted that this is not a budgeted item; 6 months is needed to get this project up and running. Tonight is a preliminary report brought forward tonight to receive direction from Council if this project is to move forward.

Council took a 5 minute break to address technical issues. There were issues with the broadcast on AT&T. The Council meeting was live on MCTV, Comcast, and via MCTV's live stream.

Begin public comment.

You You Xue, Millbrae resident, this is a stupid plan. I run the Wonderful Restaurant and parking is an issue. No one asked the businesses about the ice rink. There are neighbors who live in the area. This is a Millbrae issue those who live in the area need to be consulted. This will hurt local businesses; \$250,000 is an absurd amount of money. It does not make sense. Wonderful Restaurant will not expand and will consider leaving Millbrae if this moves forward. Parking is strained in this area.

Lili Horst, Millbrae resident, speaking against the ice rink. \$250,000 can be used for infrastructure or something that is really necessary.

Miles Bradley, Millbrae resident, \$250,000 is a lot of money, there is an ice skating rink close by in San Mateo. Would rather see money go elsewhere to pay down debt, or plant trees; put the money into something that is long term not seasonal.

Marge Colapietro, Millbrae resident, did City staff contact San Mateo City staff with regard to cost of this project. \$250,000, general fund money, there should have been public hearings and meetings to give proper notification to those being impacted regarding this project. Money should be spent on long term projects, do what is in the best long-term needs of the City, towards rebuild of the Community Center.

Pam Long, Millbrae resident, the ice skating rink would be a good option for the children in Millbrae and surrounding neighborhoods in San Bruno. In favor of the ice rink.

Eunice Tiqui, Millbrae resident, lives close by to two of the locations. There will be noise issues, it costs too much, and we need money for infrastructure. She urged Council to table this discussion and put money into infrastructure.

Todd Repp, Millbrae resident, raised concern about spending \$250,000 on a seasonal project, money is better spent on infrastructure, the Community Center, pedestrian safety, full time traffic enforcement officer, or public safety.

Sarah Feldman, Silicon Valley Ice Skating Rink Association, founded the association a year ago after the closure of the Belmont Ice Rink. There is demand for 6 ice rinks in the peninsula area. The San Mateo rink is a great demonstration of the demand in the area. The seasonal ice rink is well suited for a filling a temporary need.

Robert DuCote, Millbrae resident, agreed with the comments made by Todd Repp and Marge Colapietro. Need to make the business case first to see if there is a market demand for the area, do a survey, this is not just \$250,000, and there are ongoing costs. This will impact parking and traffic, need to have a comprehensive survey done to understand what is going on.

Chris DelNagro, Millbrae resident, the ice rink would be a fun thing to do, however the cost is too high. Would like to see this vetted and to get a cost analysis. Can bring this forward to the Parks and Recreation Commission for further discussion and consideration.

Karen Chen, Millbrae resident, there was no public input, there is one person providing one set of numbers; need multiple proposals. Uncomfortable without seeing the numbers, this is a seasonal project and is temporary, it is hard to get back the money. There was no announcement about this item, did not ask the public what they wanted or how they would like to spend the money.

You You Xue, Millbrae resident, what is being heard is like a dream, need to get down to earth. Smaller rink size, not a tourist destination. We are tone deaf to what is going on and need to listen to the residents. Need to vote against this proposal.

Miles Bradley, Millbrae resident, spend the money to beautify downtown.

Marge Colapietro, Millbrae resident, if you move ahead with this tonight, will vote against any bond measures for the Community Center.

Marion Morse, Millbrae resident, the ice rink opportunity sounds nice in theory. Need to spend more attention to the downtown area. It is great that Council is working on ways to get activities downtown. Need to have opportunities to get more public input and feedback and offers alternative. Think twice before spending money on a temporary solution.

Councilmember Oliva read an e-mail from Dean Coit in support of the ice rink. Have seen a reduction in programs, and lacking resources for our youngsters. Acknowledged that the skate park and Library provide a space for the youth, and having an ice rink would give the youth something to do, this would be a place close to home, even if it is temporary.

Councilmember Schneider read an e-mail from Lorianne Richardson, Millbrae Chamber of Commerce. When this item was discussed last year, the discussion was only on the City Hall parking lot. She researched some vendors and provided the \$250,000 figure. Staff contacted her regarding the farmers market lot for the skating rink, she stated that this area is prime parking for businesses in the area. At no time was the Chamber approached for sponsorships. Any changes to the downtown area will change the balance downtown. The Chamber does not oppose a seasonal skating rink.

End of public comment.

Mayor Holober noted that a majority of the e-mails received were in opposition to the ice rink. He suggested that a business plan was need for fiscal and site analysis.

Council received the information and there was discussion regarding reaching out to the other cities that have seasonal ice rinks, the infrastructure needed to bring power to an ice rink location, the location of the ice rink, and the cost estimate for the ice rink.

Council took a break at 10:00 p.m. and reconvened at 10:10 p.m.

City Manager Raines stated the Council could ask the Parks and Recreation Commission to take this item and get input from the community for a preferred site location and bring their recommendation back to the Council.

It was the consensus of the Council to send this item to the Parks and Recreation Commission to get input on a preferred site location.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Holober:

- No comments.

Vice Mayor Papan:

- Acknowledged Armenian Remembrance Day.

Councilmember Schneider:

- No comments.

Councilmember Lee:

- Announced the Peninsula Clean Energy meeting next week.

Councilmember Oliva:

- No comments.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL

There being no further business to discuss, the City Council adjourned at 10:45 p.m. in memory of Frank Catania, founding manager of the Millbrae Farmers Market; Louise Herbeck, mother of Millbrae employee Paola Gleeson; Terri Mullin, wife of former Assembly Member Gene Mullin and mother of Assembly Member Kevin Mullin; Caroline McIlhenny former Millbrae Senior Advisory Committee Member, and Lois Way, former Millbrae Woman of Year.

/s/ Angela Louis
City Clerk

/s/ Reuben D. Holober
Mayor