



# City of East Palo Alto MINUTES

**CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING – 9:00 A.M.  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2017  
EPA Government Center  
2415 University Ave – First Floor – Community Room**

**MAYOR:  
LARRY J. MOODY**

**VICE MAYOR:  
RUBEN ABRICA**

**COUNCILMEMBERS:  
LISA GAUTHIER, CARLOS ROMERO, DONNA RUTHERFORD**

**1. WELCOME  
Larry J. Moody, Mayor**

The Strategic Priorities Retreat began at 9:32 a.m. with all City Council members, Department Heads, and some staff in attendance.

**PRESENT:** Moody, Abrica, Gauthier, Romero, Rutherford

**2. PROCESS OVERVIEW  
Christopher Brown, Retreat Facilitator of Policy Link**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

With the unanimous consent by the City Council, the public was encouraged to speak throughout the meeting.

**4. STAFF REPORT  
(Carlos Martínez, City Manager, & Staff)**

- 2016 Accomplishments
- Ongoing Work
- Ongoing Initiatives/ Plans
- Ongoing Development Projects
- Forthcoming Development

- Forthcoming Initiatives
- Postponed Strategic Priorities
- Financial Info- Reserves / Other
- Ballot Measures
- New Initiatives – Alternatives Tool
- Staff Recommendations

City Manager Martínez and Assistant City Manager Sean Charpentier presented to the City Council the items listed on the staff report aforementioned.

**5. CITY COUNCIL 2016 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**  
**Staff & Christopher Brown, Retreat Facilitator of Policy Link**

- Progress & Challenges – Review

As the City Council was discussing the Strategic Priorities, there was one comment made from the public requesting jobs to be available for residents of East Palo Alto.

**6. CITY COUNCIL 2016 PRIORITIES SCORECARD**  
**Council, Staff, & Christopher Brown, Retreat Facilitator of Policy Link**

- Review & Update

The City Council perused through the Strategic Priorities Scorecard including staff recommendations for deletions and changes. Council provided comments and suggestions to modify the scorecard, keeping, changing, or deleting listed priorities.

There was a comment from the member of the public for the City Council to not forget the voters' support of Measure O.

**7. LUNCH BREAK**  
 Lunch began at approximately 12:30 p.m.

**8. BALLOT MEASURES – NEW INITIATIVES**  
**Council, Staff, & Christopher Brown, Retreat Facilitator of Policy Link**

The City Council mentioned a total of 24 new initiatives, some of them overlapping, for 2017.

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no further comments from the public at this time.

**10. NEXT STEPS**

**Larry Moody, Mayor**

The City Manager stated that he will bring back to the City Council at the next Strategic Priorities on February 4<sup>th</sup> an updated Score Card and the new initiatives that were stated for the City Council to narrow down their focus for 2017.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council meeting adjourned at approximately 1:15 p.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared, and Respectfully Submitted By:



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Deputy City Clerk

*Minutes were approved at the regular City Council meeting on February 21, 2017.*