

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING NO. 676, JULY 27, 2005

ROLL CALL

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Howard called the roll:

Present: Councilmembers G. Comstock, Driscoll, Merk and Toben, and Mayor Davis
Absent: None
Others: Town Administrator Howard, Town Attorney Sloan, Public Works Director Young, and Deputy Clerk Hanlon.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Bill Lane, Westridge, commended *The Almanac* for winning two first-place awards in the California Newspaper Publishers Association's annual Better Newspaper Contest. He said the paper was excellent and a fantastic communication medium for the Town and adjoining communities.

Responding to Mr. Lane, Ms. Howard said staff had been told that the Town would be refunded \$74,000 from the State for Vehicle License Fees.

CONSENT AGENDA

By motion of Councilmember Driscoll, seconded by Councilmember Merk, the items listed below were approved by a vote of 5-0:

- (1) Minutes of the Regular Town Council Meeting of July 13, 2005, with Councilmember Driscoll abstaining.
- (2) Resolution No. 2198-2005 Approving and Authorizing Execution of a Fifth Amendment to Agreement Between the Town and Nolte Associates, Inc., (Engineering), per Asst. Town Administrator's memo of 7/13/05.
- (3) Resolution No. 2199-2005 Approving and Authorizing Execution of a Storm Drain Easement and Agreement (Kalman Field) Between the Town and the Benedictine Fathers of the Woodside Priory, per Dep. Town Planner and Town Attorney's memo of 7/20/05.

REGULAR AGENDA

- (4) Minutes of Special Town Council Meeting on June 22, 2005 (Removed from Consent Agenda)

Councilmember Merk submitted changes to the minutes of the 6/22/05 meeting. Councilmember Driscoll suggested references to the Portola Valley Community Fund include the acronym PVCF to distinguish it from the Peninsula Community Foundation (PCF). By motion of Councilmember Merk, seconded by Councilmember Comstock, the minutes of the 6/22/05 meeting were approved as amended by a vote of 5-0.

- (5) Warrant List of July 27, 2005 (Removed from Consent Agenda)

Responding to Councilmember Merk, Mr. Young said the charge for the San Mateo Co. Fire Department (p. 10) was for brush control along the Larry Lane Trail.

By motion of Councilmember Merk, seconded by Councilmember Comstock, the Warrant List for July 27, 2005, in the amount of \$271,259.46 was approved with the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Comstock, Driscoll, Merk and Toben, and Mayor Davis
Noes: None

- (6) Use Agreement to Locate an Alternate Emergency Operations Center at the Woodside Priory
(Removed from consent agenda)

Ms. Howard noted that the room originally proposed for the alternate EOC was not adequate. Another place on campus would be found.

- (7) Soils Engineering Services for Town Center Project

Mr. Young reviewed his memo of 7/27/05 on the RFP and selection criteria for retaining geotechnical engineering services for the Town Center project. Responding to Councilmember Driscoll, he said having the consultant do all of the work necessary for a single-phase project would not cause any problems in the future if a multi-phase project became necessary.

Responding to Councilmember Merk, Ms. Howard said in the budget, the Town Center was one lump sum. Towards the end of the fiscal year, if money was running low, she would ask the Council to transfer more money from the reserve into that account. She noted that when the budget was done, the Town Center project was still a multi-phase project/budget. The Siegel and Strain contract would also be more than anticipated because they were doing all of the work in one phase. Councilmember Driscoll reiterated that it would be much cheaper over all to do a single-phase project. Responding to Councilmember Merk, Mr. Young said the gas, electrical, and water lines would all be marked on the site by the utility companies. The Town would deal with any remaining irrigation pipes, storm drains, etc.

Responding to Councilmember Comstock, Mr. Young said the Town Geologist was not impressed by the lowest bidder's work; they did not do a lot of work in Town compared to the other four and had solicited the Town for the contract. The other four also had very detailed proposals and a good understanding of the project.

Councilmember Driscoll moved adoption of Resolution No. 2200-2005 Approving and Authorizing Execution of a Professional Services Agreement Between the Town and Pacific Geotechnical Engineering for the Town Center Project. Councilmember Toben seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

- (8) FY 2005/2006 Annual Street Resurfacing Project

Mr. Young reviewed his memo of 7/27/05 on the plans and specifications for the 2005/2006 street resurfacing project.

By motion of Councilmember Toben, seconded by Councilmember Driscoll, Resolution No. 2201-2005 Approving Plans and Specifications and Calling for Bids for the 2005/2006 Resurfacing Project (No. 2006-PW01) was adopted by a vote of 4-0, with Councilmember Comstock choosing to abstain because he lived on one of the streets to be resurfaced.

COUNCIL, STAFF, COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- (9) Appointment to Parks and Rec Committee

Referring to the Committee Chair's memo of 7/19/05 recommending appointment of Erica Hughes to the

Parks and Rec Committee, Councilmember Toben said Ms. Hughes had a strong interest in the new children's playground and advising the design team on some of the elements. She hoped to mobilize residents to assist. Mayor Davis appointed Erica Hughes to the Parks and Rec Committee. By motion and second, the Council unanimously concurred.

(10) Status of Town Center Project

Ms. Howard said the staff was working on the agreements for the HAZMAT assessment and Siegel and Strain's new agreement. The EIR draft comment period would end on August 4.

(11) Reports from Commission and Committee Liaisons

(a) Parks and Rec Committee

Councilmember Toben said the Parks and Rec Committee met last week and was looking forward to working collaboratively with the Trails Committee on refining the policy for organized events using Town trails. Two members had volunteered to be on the joint subcommittee.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

(15) Town Council 7/15/05 Weekly Digest: None.

(16) Town Council 7/22/05 Weekly Digest

(a) SFPUC System-wide Fluoridation Implementation

Referring to the letter from Cal Water dated 7/12/05, Councilmember Driscoll said it appeared that Cal Water would be fluoridating part of the water and blending it with unfluoridated. It was very difficult to tell what the level of fluoridation would be which made it especially difficult for people/children taking fluoride supplements. An unknown amount of fluoride was a lot less valuable than knowing that the water was unfluoridated. He suggested asking Cal Water how much fluoride was in the water. After discussion, Mayor Davis asked Mr. Young to get more details from Cal Water.

(b) San Mateo County Sheriff's Office Crime Activity Report for April-May

Referring to the report, Councilmember Merk said the number of traffic related activities (p. 2) was less than the number of citations issued. Mayor Davis said he would follow-up with Bob Anderson.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Mayor

Town Clerk