

MAYOR JEFF GEE  
VICE MAYOR LISSETTE ESPINOZA-GARNICA  
COUNCIL MEMBER ALICIA C. AGUIRRE  
COUNCIL MEMBER KAIA EAKIN  
COUNCIL MEMBER DIANE HOWARD  
COUNCIL MEMBER ELMER MARTINEZ SABALLOS  
COUNCIL MEMBER CHRIS STURKEN

MINUTES  
1017 MIDDLEFIELD ROAD  
REDWOOD CITY, CA

CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
Monday, May 15, 2023, 6:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER** –Mayor Gee called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL** – All Council Members were present. Council Member Eakin participated in the meeting virtually.

Staff present: City Manager Melissa Stevenson Diaz, City Attorney Veronica Ramirez, and City Clerk Pamela Aguilar.

3. **AB 2449 REQUESTS AND CONSIDERATIONS FOR MEETING PARTICIPATION BY TELECONFERENCE DUE TO JUST CAUSE OR EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES**

City Clerk Pamela Aguilar stated that one request to participate in the meeting virtually was received from Council Member Eakin.

Council Member Eakin stated that due to an infectious illness, she has requested to join the meeting virtually. She confirmed that for the duration of the meeting she will maintain audio and video, and that no individuals under the age of 18 were present at her location.

City Clerk Pamela Aguilar stated that this is Council Member Eakin’s first instance of exercising AB 2449 provisions, and she confirmed that a quorum of the City Council was present in person.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following members of the public spoke:

- Tania Solé

5. **BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES INTERVIEWS**

There was no public comment.

The City Council interviewed six applicants for the Arts Commission for appointment to one partial term seat that will expire on May 31, 2026:

- Alexander Chriss (not present)
- Maria Lisabeth Romano
- Paul Naas
- Stephanie Noon
- Hugo Seda
- Natalie Sheehan

The City Council interviewed seven Transportation Advisory Committee applicants for appointment to three full-term seats that will expire June 30, 2027:

- Michael Aguilar
- Shannon Chi
- Dylan Finch
- Taylor Pope
- Jacqueline Ramos
- Jim Recker
- Mark Waldrop

## **6. CLOSED SESSION**

There was no public comment.

The City Council convened to Closed Session at 6:52 p.m. to discuss the following:

### **6.A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated litigation pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9(d)(2)**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9:

1 Case

Gov't Code § 54956.9(d)(2) "A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the legislative body of the local agency on the advice of its legal counsel, based on existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the local agency."

The meeting reconvened into open session at approximately 8:28 p.m. No action was taken.

## **7. ADJOURNMENT - The next City Council meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2023**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pamela Aguilar".

Pamela Aguilar, CMC  
City Clerk

Approved at the May 22, 2023 meeting