January 27, 2014

The Honorable City Council
Palo Alto, California

Appointment of 2014 Emergency Standby Council

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the selection of the 2014 Emergency Standby Council as follows:

- John Barton
- Bern Beecham
- Peter Drekmeier
- Sid Espinosa
- Yoriko Kishimoto
- Dena Mossar
- Lanie Wheeler

BACKGROUND

The Charter of the City of Palo Alto provides that "the Council may by Ordinance or Resolution, provide for the preservation and continuation of government in the event of disaster which renders unavailable a majority of the Council."

On August 7, 2006, the City Council adopted amendments to Section 2.12.090 of the Palo Alto Municipal Code regarding the selection procedure for the City's Emergency Standby Council. The adopted policy states that the Council shall consider the following criteria for appointments to the Emergency Standby Council: residency in the City of Palo Alto, availability, interest in serving and a lack of conflicts of interest.

Seven members serve on the Emergency Standby Council. The members of the Emergency Standby Council continue to serve until the Council appoints or reappoints the members at the beginning of each year.

Department Head: Donna Grider, City Clerk