



POLICY AND SERVICES COMMITTEE ACTION MINUTES

Special Meeting
November 12, 2019

The Policy and Services Committee of the City of Palo Alto met on this date in the Community Meeting Room at 6:07 P.M.

Present: Kniss, Kou, Tanaka

Agenda Items

1. Update From the City's State Legislative Advocate, and Review and Approval of the 2020 Legislative Guidelines and Updated Advocacy Process Manual.

MOTION: Council Member Tanaka moved, seconded by Council Member XXX to recommend the City Council approve the 2020 Legislative Guidelines and Updated Advocacy Process Manual.

AMENDMENT: Council Member Kou moved, seconded by Chair Kniss to leave in "regulating drones" in the 2020 Federal and State Legislative Guidelines.

MOTION AS AMENDED WITHDRAWN

MOTION: Chair Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Kou to recommend to the City Council approval of the 2020 Legislative Guidelines and Updated Advocacy Process Manual with the following changes:

- A. To the City of Palo Alto's 2020 Federal and State Legislative Guidelines:
 1. Add, "and governance" to the end of Item 3 to read "Oppose items that preempt or reduce the authority or ability of local government to determine how to effectively operate local programs, services, activities, and governance;"
 2. Under Transportation, add, "Regulating technology that diverts traffic into residential neighborhoods;"
 3. Under Environmental bullet 2 add, "Health impacts" to read: "Reducing airplane noise, health impacts, and emissions and actively supporting such efforts;"

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4. Under Technology change to read "Supporting reasonable regulatory efforts surrounding polices regarding cybersecurity, drones, shared mobility services, returning to Obama-era net neutrality regulations, and smart city initiatives;"
 5. Under Housing change the first bullet to read "Supporting reasonable housing and land use policies that recognize local autonomy and create reasonable ratios between jobs and housing ...;" and
- B. Approve the following changes to the City of Palo Alto Advocacy Process Manual 2020 update:
1. Under Purpose Bullet 1 to read "Describe the internal procedures related to state and federal advocacy, ..."
 2. Under The Role of the City Council, Bullet 2, add, "to best represent the interests of Palo Alto" to read "Meet with the City's State and Federal legislative advocates as needed or desired to best represent the interests of Palo Alto;" and
 3. Under City Advisory Commissions and Committees, change Paragraph 2 to read, "Any Advisory commission or committee, or member of any such body, that wishes to represent the City in meetings or communications with a legislator or legislative staff member while under the auspicious of the commission or committee must first coordinate with the City Manager's Office. Any engagement while in an official City capacity requires approval from the City Manager, to ensure adherence to the City's guidelines, process, and current Council Priorities. City Manager approval is not necessary for commission or committee members engaging legislators in a person capacity, when not representing the City."

MOTION PASSED: 3-0

2. Staff Recommends the Policy and Services Committee Discuss the Proposed Tier 1 Safe Parking Pilot Program at Religious Congregations and Institutions; Direct Staff to Draft Accompanying Regulations and Code Changes; and Bring Proposed Code Amendments Directly to the City Council.

MOTION: Chair Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Kou to direct Staff to draft accompanying regulations and code changes, to bring the Proposed Code Amendments directly to the City Council, have the Safe Parking

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Program engage in a 3 month pilot program, including using the notification system of the Conditional Use Permit of 600 feet to notify neighbors, and to direct Staff to construct a Safe Parking Program table with comparisons that include data from other cities.

MOTION RESTATED: Chair Kniss moved, seconded by Council Member Kou to recommend to the City Council to direct Staff to draft accompanying regulations and code changes, to bring the Proposed Code Amendments directly to the City Council, have the Safe Parking Program engage in a 3 month pilot program, including using the notification system of the Conditional Use Permit of 600 feet to notify neighbors, and to direct Staff to construct a Safe Parking Program table with comparisons that include data from other cities.

MOTION PASSED: 3-0

3. Review Council Procedures and Protocols to Recommend Revisions to Section 7, Travel and Miscellaneous Expense Policy.

NO ACTION TAKEN

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 P.M.