



Minutes
Town of Atherton
April 1, 2015
4:00 P.M.

Holbrook-Palmer Park Pavilion
150 Watkins Ave
Atherton, California
Special Meeting

ROLL CALL Widmer, Wiest, Lempres, Lewis, DeGolia

PUBLIC COMMENTS - (Limited to items on the agenda)

1. ATHERTON LIBRARY FUNDING HISTORY, JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT, AND USE OF FUNDS (REVIEW AND DISCUSS)

Report: City Manager George Rodericks

Recommendation: Review and Discussion

Following and during the presentation the Council discussed the history of the Library JPA, the nature of the Library Services Tax, and the possibility of amendments to the Library JPA. Comments and discussion revolved around the following issues:

- Expansion of library programs
- Exploration of new content
- Defining more broadly library services
- Establishment of the library tax and the possibility of revising the tax
- Benefits of remaining in the Library JPA
- Benefits and impacts of withdrawing from the Library JPA
- Service area versus population area and how that figures into the Library
- Proposals made to the Library JPA by Library staff
- Fiduciary responsibility to the community to protect library tax revenue for local application and use
- Timing of any changes to the JPA
- Use of excess funds and the potential of a cap on excess fund accumulation

Following discussion and public comment, the Council provided feedback to the Council's Library JPA representative for future meeting feedback. (Revision to the slide presentation noting the library tax figure \$0.32 is in error and the correct number is \$0.032.)

2. FY 2015/16 BUDGET KICK-OFF AND ORIENTATION

Report: Finance Director Robert Barron III

Recommendation: Review and Discuss

Following the staff report and presentation, the Council discussed the Town's financial position and outlook, the Town's budget process and calendar and staff's budget assumptions for revenues and expenditures. Staff noted that there will be several additional budget meetings prior to the Town's adoption of the budget. Meetings include April 15, Operational Budget, May 6, Capital Improvement Budget, June 6, Final Budget Study Session, and June 15, Final Budget Review and Adoption.

ADJOURN

MOTION by Lewis, second by Wiest to adjourn the meeting. Mayor DeGolia adjourned the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Theresa DellaSanta
City Clerk