



Peninsula Cities Consortium – High Sped Rail Regular Meeting - Draft Minutes

February 19, 2010

8:15 a.m.

City of Menlo Park

701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA

City Council Chambers

In attendance:

Chair – Rich Cline, City of Menlo Park

Vice Chair – Terry Nagel for Jerry Deal, City of Burlingame

Pat Burt, City of Palo Alto

Jerry Carlson, Town of Atherton

Christine Wozniak, City of Belmont

Meeting convened at 8:23 a.m.

1. **Approval of Minutes for January 8, January 22 and February 5, 2010**

Action: Motion and second (Carlson/Burt) to approve the minutes of January 8 and February 5, 2010 passes. The minutes of January 22, 2010 are continued to the next meeting.

2. **Orientation for new attendees**

3. **Subcommittee Reports**

Councilmember Carlson reported that the Town of Atherton has allocated \$50k towards HSR in the second half of the fiscal year and that Council voted 4-1 to join the HSR lawsuit of Stuart Fleischman.

Councilmember Burt reported that the Palo Alto HSR subcommittee met and are moving forward with hiring a lobbyist, engaging an engineering consultant to evaluate the Alternatives Analysis, holding community meetings, will request the comment period be extended to 90 days (an additional 45 days), and recommend legislative language of reforms (from the January 21st meeting in Palo Alto)

Councilmember Wozniak reported that Jerry Hill will host a bus tour on February 22nd at 1pm, The Belmont City Council will discuss funding of community and education meetings for HSR at its next Council meeting.

Councilmember Nagel reported that Burlingame held a public meeting on HSR on February 8.

A. Subcommittee Report (Burt and Nagel) Economic and Finance Symposium update regarding (1) PRP funding and (2) Workshop agenda scope – Not discussed

B. Subcommittee Report (Nagel and Burt) on areas in which all or some of the PCC Cities can share costs and resources for mutual gain.

Councilmember Nagel reviewed suggested PCC goals and possible shared resources by the participating cities. A handout was provided. The board members will take these back to their cities and bring feedback to next meeting.

C. CSS Update

Bill Cutler, Palo Alto, provided an update.

A letter will be drafted to the HSR Authority expressing concern regarding a 'disconnect' between PCC and the State, concerns about the Business Plan and ensuring that the Authority will honor the outcomes of the CSS process.

Checkpoints should be established with PRP to ensure the CSS process is not only utilized as a communication tool, but that it has impact as well. It is important that the project be done right.

Public Comment:

- Don Cecil, HSR

4. Alternatives Analysis reactions from cities that have already held preliminary meetings

Action: Motion and second (Burt/Carlson) that cities should make similar document requests passes.

5. Legislative Update

Rita Wespi, CAARD, gave an update regarding pending legislation.

Public Comment:

- Jack Ringham, Atherton
- Dan McNamara, San Carlos
- Cathy Hamilton, Menlo Park
- Walter Strakosch, Mill Valley
- Jennifer Pfaff, Burlingame
- Bill Cutler, Palo Alto

6. Discussion regarding the opportunity to propose Legislative Bills – Not discussed

7. Calendar planning for 2010 - public input for future agenda items (next meeting March 5, 2010)

Send agenda items to the Chair and Vice Chair.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.