



REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Date: 4/20/2026
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Regular Session

A. Call To Order

B. Roll Call

C. Public Comment

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D. Presentations and Proclamations

D1. Presentation: One Book One Coast program ([Attachment](#))

E. Regular Business

E1. Approve the minutes from the March 16, 2026 Library Commission meeting ([Attachment](#))

E2. Ad hoc subcommittee on District 1 library outreach report out ([Staff Report LC-2026-014](#))

F. Informational Items

- F1. Advisory body attendance report ([Staff Report LC-2026-015](#))
- F2. Library Commission work plan 2025-26 goals ([Staff Report LC-2026-016](#))
- F3. Library and Community Services Department updates and statistics ([Staff Report LC-2026-017](#))
- F4. Update on City of Menlo Park fiscal year 2026-27 budget process and timeline ([Staff Report LC-2026-018](#))
- F5. Tentative agenda calendar ([Attachment](#))

G. Commission Reports

- G1. Individual Commissioner reports

H. Adjournment

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One Book, One Coast

"The Largest Book Club on the West Coast"

What is One Book, One Coast

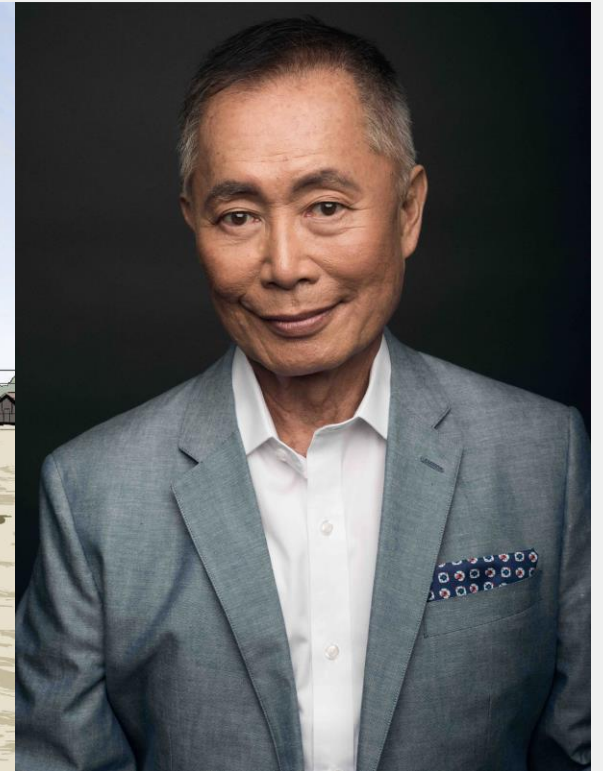
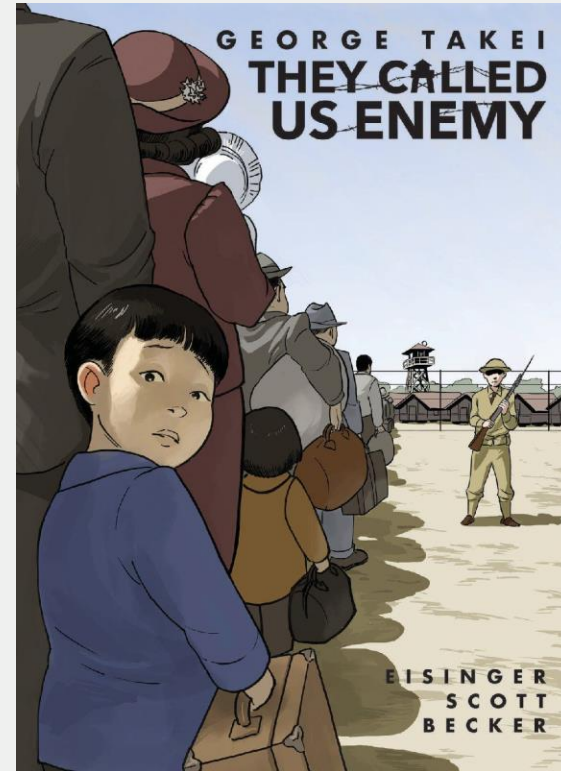
“One Book, One Coast brings together library systems across California, Washington State, and Oregon for a shared community reading program that celebrates literacy, learning, community, and civil discourse.” – LA County Library



**ONE BOOK
ONE COAST**

What is One Book, One Coast

- April 1-June 6, 2026
Nearly 200 participating libraries read “They Called Us Enemy,” by George Takei
- May 31, 2026, 2-4 p.m.
LA County Library hosts an author talk with Takei, livestreamed on Zoom



What is Menlo Park bringing to the table

- Free copies of “They Called Us Enemy” while supplies last
 - Unlimited reading on Libby and Comics Plus
 - Special Exhibition: Am I An American or Am I Not?
 - Two months of programs celebrating Japanese American culture and history
- 3/22-5/17: SPECIAL EXHIBITION:
Am I An American or Am I Not?
 - 4/8: Yoshiko Kanazawa: A Wartime Journey
 - 4/10: Global Language Storytime: Japanese
 - 4/14: How to Draw Manga Moods
 - 4/20: Kokoro: Sacramento's Lost Japantown
 - 4/21: Teen Book Discussion Group:
“They Called Us Enemy”
 - 5/2: Koto Music and Film with
Shirley Kazuyo Muramoto
 - 5/4: Americans Behind Barbed Wire
 - 5/17: Japanese Taiko Drumming with
Kristy “Aki” Oshiro

JOIN THE LARGEST BOOK CLUB ON THE WEST COAST!

Read George Takei's graphic memoir *They Called Us Enemy* and tune in for a livestream author talk on Zoom and YouTube, on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at 2 PM!
Check out a copy at the library, or read the eBook on Libby!



One Book, One Coast (OBOC) is a multi-state community reading initiative that invites readers to engage with a shared text through discussion, programs, and reflection. Our inaugural selection is *They Called Us Enemy* (2019), a graphic memoir by George Takei that recounts his childhood experience of incarceration alongside more than 120,000 people of Japanese descent, most of whom were U.S. citizens, following Executive Order 9066 in 1942. Check with your local library about giveaway copies.

CHECK OUT RELATED PROGRAMS AT PENINSULA LIBRARIES THROUGHOUT APRIL AND MAY!

Libraries with *asterisk require registration. See library's website for more details.

Remembering Tanforan: Virtual Panel Discussion & Former Internee Interviews

Watch anytime on YouTube @cityofsanbruno
Rewatch the February 2022 discussion and hear first-hand accounts of former internees at Tanforan.



One Book, One Coast Research Station

Available at the Burlingame Main Library
Access the Densho archives and listen to oral histories and other personal stories at the dedicated research station.

Special Exhibition: Am I An American or Am I Not?

On view at the Menlo Park Library until May 17
Explore about how the violation of Constitutional rights and how it relates to the experiences of other communities.

Mottainai - Rope Bowl Making Class

Sat. April 4	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	*San Carlos
Sat. May 2	2:00 - 3:30 PM	*Pacifica Sharp Park
Sun. May 31	1:00 - 2:30 PM	*Belmont

Sew your own rope bowl using Japanese scrap fabrics.

Omatsuri Festival Spirit of Drumming

Sat. April 4	3:30 - 4:00 PM	Pacifica Sharp Park
Thu. May 7	3:30 - 4:00 PM	Woodside
Sat. May 9	3:00 - 4:30 PM	Millbrae
Thu. May 14	3:30 - 4:00 PM	East Palo Alto
Fri. May 22	2:30 - 2:00 PM	Belmont

Join us for a traditional Japanese Taiko drumming performance from GenRyu Arts!

Yoshiko Kanazawa: A Wartime Journey

Wed. April 8	6:00 - 7:00 PM	Menlo Park
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Yoshiko Kanazawa recalls her family's wartime experience through a child's eyes.

Global Language Storytime: Japanese

Fri. April 10	11:00 - 11:30 AM	Menlo Park
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Join us for a special storytime conducted in Japanese!

Meet Sharon Fujimoto-Johnson: Shell Song

Sun. April 12	10:30 - 11:15 AM	Pacifica Sharp Park
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Join author-illustrator Sharon Fujimoto-Johnson for a reading of her book *Shell Song*.

How to Draw Manga Moods

Tue. April 14	2:00 - 3:00 PM	Menlo Park
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Learn how to draw faces that show different moods and emotions, using the visual language of Japanese manga.

Behind Barbed Wires: The Story of the Japanese Incarceration

Mon. April 20	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Foster City
Tue. April 21	12:00 - 1:00 PM	Daly City Westlake
Fri. April 24	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	East Palo Alto
Tue. April 28	2:00 - 3:00 PM	*Atherton
Fri. May 8	2:00 - 3:00 PM	Belmont
Fri. May 15	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Brisbane
Tue. May 26	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	San Carlos

Join Steve Okamoto for a discussion and Q&A on his family's experience in the Tanforan Assembly Center in San Bruno.

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Libraries with *asterisk require registration. See library's website for more details.

Kokoro: Sacramento's Lost Japantown

Mon. April 20	6:00 - 7:00 PM	*Zoom via Menlo Park
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Join Menlo Park for a virtual exploration of Sacramento's Japantown on Zoom. Register at menlopark.gov/oboc.

Teen Book Group

Tue. April 21	4:30 - 5:30 PM	*Menlo Park
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Read and discuss *They Called Us Enemy*. For kids between the ages of 12 and 17.

Japanese Dance Forms & Instruments

Wed. April 29	6:00 - 6:30 PM	Foster City
Sat. May 16	3:00 - 3:30 PM	Brisbane
Tue. May 26	3:30 - 4:00 PM	Portola Valley

Enjoy traditional Japanese dance & music from GenRyu Arts!

Koto Music & Film with Shirley Kazu Muramoto

Sat. May 2	1:00 - 3:00 PM	Menlo Park Belle Haven
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Watch and learn about how koto and other Japanese cultural arts were preserved in American concentration camps.

Americans Behind Barbed Wire

Mon. May 4	4:30 - 6:00 PM	Menlo Park
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Learn more about the mass incarcerations from people who lived through it and their family members.

Art Talk - Japanese Aesthetics

Mon. May 4	7:00 - 8:00 PM	*Zoom via SMCL
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Explore the variety, complexity, and beauty of traditional Japanese art forms. Register at smcl.org/events.

Origami Workshops

Tue. May 5	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	*Millbrae
Tue. May 19	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	*Half Moon Bay
Sun. May 31	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	*Foster City

Explore the art of origami while reflecting on history and the human experience.

One Book, One Coast Book Discussions

Wed. May 6	6:00 - 7:00 PM	*San Mateo Main
Tue. May 26	12:00 - 1:00 PM	Redwood City Main

Read and discuss *They Called Us Enemy* ahead of the author talk. For adults and seniors.

Japanese Origami Book Box

Sat. May 9	11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	*Foster City
Wed. May 13	2:00 - 3:30 PM	*Millbrae
Wed. May 13	6:00 - 7:00 PM	*Atherton
Thu. May 21	5:30 - 6:30 PM	*San Carlos

Learn how to make a small box to use as a mini scrapbook or journal as a place to keep little treasures.

Morrish Collection

Sat. May 9	1:00 - 1:45 PM	Redwood City Main
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Author Kevin W. Kaatz will discuss the J. Elmer Morrish collection and his impact in aiding internees.

Three Boys Manzanar: Film Screening & Discussion

Wed. May 13	6:30 - 7:30 PM	Burlingame Main
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Join us for a screening and discussion of the Emmy Award-winning short documentary.

Seeds of Activism

Thu. May 14	6:30 - 7:30 PM	Redwood City Main
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Plant seeds significant to Japanese American food traditions and discuss themes from the book.

Japanese Taiko Drumming with Kristy "Aki" Oshiro

Sun. May 17	11:00 - 11:45 AM	Menlo Park Belle Haven
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Experience drums, Japanese language, culture, and history combine into an exciting educational experience.

Exploring the Japanese American National Library

Sun. May 17	2:00 - 4:00 PM	Millbrae
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Learn about the history, mission, and future of the JANL located in San Francisco's Japantown.

Printmaking Workshop

Fri. May 22	1:00 - 3:00 PM	San Bruno
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Learn about artist Chiura Obata by creating and carving your own simple linoleum block print. Limited to 25 participants.

Meet Maggie Tokuda-Hall: Love In the Library

Wed. May 27	10:45 - 11:30 AM	Portola Valley
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Join Maggie Tokuda-Hall as she shares her picture book, *Love in the Library*.

Stitches of Resilience: Origami Bag Sewing Project

Sat. May 30	11:00 AM - 1:30 PM	*Woodside
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Sew your own carry-all shoulder bag using Japanese fabric and origami-inspired folding techniques.

Watch Party: George Takei Author Talk

Sun. May 31	2:00 - 4:30 PM	Belmont
Sun. May 31	2:00 - 4:00 PM	*San Mateo Main
Sun. May 31	2:00 - 4:00 PM	South San Francisco Main

Watch the livestream at the library!

Watch the author talk from home on Zoom or YouTube

Pre-register to watch on Zoom:  Watch on YouTube on May 31 at 2 PM: 

Sansei Granddaughters' Journey: Film Screening and Q&A

Sun. June 7	1:30 - 3:00 PM	Half Moon Bay
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Watch the film followed by a Q&A.



Information and Resources

- <https://menlopark.gov/oboc>
- <https://lacountylibrary.org/one-book-one-coast/>
- https://library-lacounty.gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Ek6Fa2kxSjq1vs_BvlyHRg#/registration
- <https://pls.overdrive.com/media/6219173>
- <https://menlopark.bibliocommons.com/v2/record/S76C2852777>



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – DRAFT

Date: 3/16/2026
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Locations: Teleconference and
Arrillaga Family Recreation Center
700 Alma St., Menlo Park, CA 94025

A. Call To Order

Chair Orton called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Abdulla, Crockett, Orton, Shafer, Sisbot, Westcott, Yule
Absent: None
Staff: Assistant Library and Community Services (LCS) Director Nick Szegda

C. Public Comment

None.

D. Regular Business

- D1. Approve the minutes from the February 23, 2026 Library Commission meeting (Attachment)

The Commission discussed edits to the minutes.

ACTION: Motion and second (Yule/ Crockett), to approve the minutes from the February 23, 2026 meeting with updates to item D1., passed unanimously.

- D2. Ad hoc subcommittee on the “Library of the Future” report out (Staff Report LC-2026-009)

Vice Chair Westcott introduced the item.

ACTION: None.

- D3. Ad hoc subcommittee on District 1 library outreach report out (Staff Report LC-2026-010)

Commissioner Yule introduced the item.

ACTION: None.

E. Informational Items

- E1. Library and Community Services Department financial overview – Library (Staff Report LC-2026-011).

Assistant Director Szegda introduced the item.

E2. Department statistics and updates (Staff Report LC-2026-012)

E3. City of Menlo Park fiscal year 2026-27 budget process and timeline (Staff Report LC-2026-013)

Assistant Director Szegda introduced the item.

E4. Tentative agenda calendar (Attachment)

The Commission added the following items to the calendar:

- March/April – presentation on library budget
- March – update on work plan item #5 – programs and services at Belle Haven Library
- Unscheduled – Commission review of strategic plan update

F. Commission Reports

F1. Individual Commissioner reports

Commissioner Crockett reported on the recent City Council study session on the use of the Gatehouse by the Junior League and potential Friends of the Library use.

Commissioner Yule reported on the restoration of federal funds for libraries.

G. Adjournment

Chair Orton adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Nick Szegda, Library and Community Services Director



STAFF REPORT

Library Commission

Meeting Date: 4/20/2026
Staff Report Number: LC-2026-014

Regular Business: Ad-hoc subcommittee on District 1 library outreach report out

Recommendation

City staff recommend that the Library Commission (LC) receive updates from the ad-hoc subcommittee for District 1 library engagement.

Policy Issues

The LC may establish subcommittees of less than a quorum of LC members in order to support and/or expedite the full LC's review and consideration of matters within the LC's purview. Standing subcommittees that have continuing subject matter jurisdiction or a meeting schedule established by the LC are subject to the Brown Act (see Government Code §54952(b)).

Ad hoc or temporary subcommittees are advisory by nature, temporary, formed to complete a specific task, and will disband automatically upon completion. Ad hoc subcommittees are informal, and their meetings are not subject to the Open Meetings Act.

Background

The LC received an overview of City survey tools and methods at their February 24, 2025 meeting (Attachment A).

The LC received a presentation on library outreach at their April 21, 2025 meeting (Attachment B).

The LC received an informational report at their October 20, 2025 meeting (Attachment C). At that time, the Commission expressed an interest in bringing this item to a future agenda for a more robust discussion.

The LC held a study session on November 17, 2025, on library-specific outreach to District 1, and formed an ad-hoc subcommittee consisting of Commissioners Abdulla, Sisbot and Yule to advise on District 1 library engagement in support of Library Commission work plan goals. (Attachment D).

The ad-hoc subcommittee reported out on their activities at the January 26, 2026 LC meeting (Attachment E).

The ad-hoc subcommittee reported out on their activities at the February 23, 2026 LC meeting (Attachment F).

The ad-hoc subcommittee reported out on their activities at the March 26, 2026 LC meeting (Attachment G).

Analysis

The ad-hoc subcommittee has met since the March Library Commission meeting and will be reporting out on their activities to the full Commission.

Public Notice

Public notification was achieved by posting the agenda, with the agenda items being listed, at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Attachments

- A. Hyperlink. Library Commission agenda, February 25, 2025, Item D-1:
https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2025-meetings/agendas/20250224_lc_agenda_packet.pdf
- B. Hyperlink. Library Commission agenda, April 21, 2025, Item D-1:
[menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2025-meetings/agendas/20250421_lc_agenda_packet.pdf#page=3](https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2025-meetings/agendas/20250421_lc_agenda_packet.pdf#page=3)
- C. Hyperlink. Library Commission agenda, October 20, 2025, Item E-4:
https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2025-meetings/agendas/20251020_library-commission-agenda-packet.pdf
- D. Hyperlink. Library Commission agenda, November 17, 2025, Item D-1:
https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2025-meetings/agendas/20251117_lc_agenda_packet.pdf
- E. Hyperlink. Library Commission agenda, January 26, 2026, Item C-3:
https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/2/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2026-meetings/agendas/20260126_lc_agenda_packet.pdf
- F. Hyperlink. Library Commission agenda, February 23, 2026, Item C-3.
<https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2026-meetings/agendas/20260223-lc-agenda-packet.pdf>
- G. Hyperlink. Library Commission agenda, March 16, 2026, Item D-3.
https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2026-meetings/agendas/20260316_library-commission-agenda-packet.pdf

Report prepared by:
Nick Szegda, Library and Community Services Director



STAFF REPORT

Library Commission

Meeting Date:

4/20/2026

Staff Report Number:

LC-2026-015

Informational Item:

Advisory body attendance report

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Library Commission review this informational report containing updates about the following:

- Library Commission attendance report

Policy Issues

City Council Policy #CC-22-004 (Attachment A) outlines the procedures, roles, and responsibilities of the City Council-appointed advisory bodies for optimal functioning. The policy sets forth requirements for advisory body member attendance at advisory body meetings; the process for Council to appoint, re-appoint, or remove advisory body members; and the terms and limits of appointments.

Background

City Council policy requires staff to record advisory bodies' meeting attendance and report it to City Council annually in March. The most recent report on commissioner attendance was presented at the March 24, 2026, City Council meeting (Attachment B).

Analysis

City Council policy requires staff to record advisory bodies' meeting attendance and report it to City Council annually in March. Advisory body members are expected to attend every advisory body regular and special meeting and are required to attend no fewer than two-thirds (66.6%) of scheduled advisory body meetings in a calendar year. Per City Council policy, advisory body members whose attendance falls below the two-thirds threshold are subject to potential removal from the advisory body by the City Council. Any advisory body member who feels that there are extenuating circumstances that impact their attendance can appeal directly to the City Council to obtain a waiver of the attendance policy; or can apply for a leave of absence.

The current attendance record for the Library Commission is listed on page 8 of Attachment B.

Impact on City Resources

As an advisory body to the City Council, the Library Commission does not authorize resource allocations. City budget authorizations are the sole purview of the City Council.

Environmental Review

This informational item is not a project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §§ 15378 and 15061(b)(3) as it will not result in any direct or indirect physical change in

the environment.

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Attachments

- A. Hyperlink - City Council Policy #CC-22-004
https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2026-meetings/agendas/20260316_library-commission-agenda-packet.pdf
- B. Receive and file City Council and advisory body annual attendance report for March 2025 – February 2026. Staff report 26-040-CC, March 24, 2026.

Report prepared by:
Nick Szegda, Library and Community Services Director



STAFF REPORT

City Council
Meeting Date: 3/24/2026
Staff Report Number: 26-040-CC

Consent Calendar: Receive and file City Council and advisory body annual attendance report for March 2025 – February 2026

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Council receive and file the City Council and advisory body annual attendance report for March 2025 – February 2026 (Attachment A).

Policy Issues

City Council Policy CC-24-004 Commissions/Committees Policies and Procedures, Roles and Responsibilities (Attachment B) requires an annual attendance report for each advisory body and the City Council.

Background

For advisory bodies to function effectively and accomplish their respective goals and work plans, it is important that all members be active participants by attending the regularly scheduled monthly or quarterly advisory body meetings. The annual attendance report is based on data collected from the meeting minutes of each advisory body and the City Council and verified with staff liaisons.

Analysis

Before the posting of a meeting agenda, staff liaisons communicate with their respective advisory body members, to ensure a quorum will be met in order to properly conduct the advisory body meeting. In most cases, advisory body members advise the staff liaison in advance of their absence and typically, absences are due to pre-planned vacations, scheduled work travel or medical necessity and are considered excused absences.

The City places a high value on the work of the advisory bodies and strives to provide sufficient support to all advisory body members in order to facilitate their work. Per City Council policy CC-24-004, absences which result in attendance at less than two-thirds of their meetings will be reported to the City Council (via the annual attendance report) and may result in replacement of the member by the City Council. Removal from an advisory body appointment is rarely recommended by staff. Instead, staff liaisons prefer to reach out to the advisory body member(s) with low attendance to determine the reasons for the absences and assess the ability to continue in their advisory body service.

Environmental Review

This action is not a project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §§15378 and 15061(b)(3) as it proposes an organizational structure change that will not result in any direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

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Attachments

- A. Attendance data for each advisory body and City Council
- B. City Council Policy CC-24-004 Commissions/Committees Policies and Procedures, Roles and Responsibilities

Report prepared by:

Sarah Sandoval, Deputy City Clerk

Report reviewed by:

Judi A. Herren, Assistant to the City Manager/ City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL						Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 6 p.m.	Sworn in	Term expired/ Termed out/ Resigned	Total no. of meetings	Total meetings attended	Percentage attended	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2026	2026
Combs, Drew	12/13/2023		29	27	93%	4	2	1	2	2	3	2	2	2	3	2	2
Nash, Betsy	12/13/2023		29	29	100%	4	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	3	2	2
Schmidt, Jeff	12/10/2024		29	29	100%	4	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	3	2	2
Taylor, Cecilia	12/13/2023		29	26	90%	4	2	2	3	2	3	2	1	1	3	1	2
Wise, Jennifer	12/10/2024		29	28	100%	4	1	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	3	2	2

* not on City Council

attendance less than two-thirds (67%)

- 3/11/2025-special and regular meeting Taylor remote and exited at 5:32 p.m.
- 3/11/2025-special and regular meeting Wise arrived at 5:43 p.m.
- 4/15/2025-special and regular meeting Wise excused absence
- 4/29/2025-special and regular meeting Combs remote and exited at 8:05 p.m.
- 5/13/2025-special and regular meeting Taylor arrived at 5:42 p.m.
- 5/27/2025-special and regular meeting Combs exited at 10:47 p.m.
- 6/3/2025-special meeting Combs excused absence
- 6/24/2025-regular meeting Taylor remote
- 7/7/2025-special meeting Taylor excused absence
- 7/8/2025-regular meeting Taylor excused absence
- 7/22/2025-regular meeting cancelled
- 8/19/2025-special meeting Combs exited at 6:05 p.m.
- 8/19/2025-special meeting Taylor remote and exited at 8:25 p.m.
- 8/26/2025-special and regular meeting Taylor remote, arrived at 6:22 p.m., exited at 9:56 p.m.
- 9/9/2025-special and regular meeting Taylor remote and exited at 11:03 p.m.
- 10/7/2025-special and regular meeting Taylor excused absence
- 11/11/2025-regular meeting cancelled
- 11/18/2025-regular meeting Wise remote
- 11/18/2025-regular meeting Taylor excused absence
- 11/25/2025-regular meeting cancelled
- 12/16/2025-special meeting Taylor remote and exited at 8:35 p.m.
- 12/23/2025-regular meeting cancelled
- 1/13/2026-regular meeting Taylor excused absence
- 1/27/2026-regular meeting Combs exited at 8:45 p.m.
- 1/27/2026-regular meeting Taylor remote
- 2/24/2026-special and regular meeting Nash arrived at 5:32 p.m.

COMPLETE STREETS							Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.			Term expired/ Termed out/ Resigned	Total no. of meetings	Total meetings attended	Percentage attended	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2026	2026
Appointed	Re-appointed																	
Altman, Brian*	5/25/2021		4/30/2025	2	1	50%	0	1	*	*		*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Bergin Bailey, Meredith	4/16/2024			11	10	91%	1	0	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cebrian, Jacquie	4/16/2019	4/25/2023		11	11	100%	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cole, Sally	5/25/2021	4/26/2022		11	9	82%	1	1	1	1		1	1	0	1	1	1	0
Herscher, Scott	4/29/2025			9	8	89%	*	*	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Ierokomos, Athena	4/16/2024			11	10	91%	1	1	1	1		0	1	1	1	1	1	1
King, Lizbeth*	5/25/2021		4/30/2025	2	1	50%	1	0	*	*		*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Rascoff, Matthew	4/16/2024			11	6	55%	0	0	0	0		1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Rennie, Kevin	4/29/2025			9	8	89%	*	*	1	1		1	1	1	0	1	1	1

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- 3/12/2025-regular meeting Altman excused absence
- 3/12/2025-regular meeting Rascoff excused absence
- 4/9/2025-regular meeting Bailey excused absence
- 4/9/2025-regular meeting King excused absence
- 4/9/2025-regular meeting Rascoff excused absence
- 4/30/2025-Altman term expired
- 4/30/2025-King term expired
- 5/14/2025-regular meeting Rascoff excused absence
- 6/11/2025-regular meeting Rascoff excused absence
- 7/9/2025-regular meeting cancelled
- 8/13/2025-regular meeting Ierokomos excused absence
- 10/8/2025-regular meeting Cole excused absence
- 11/12/2025-regular meeting Rennie excused absence
- 1/14/2026-regular meeting Herscher excused absence
- 2/11/2026-regular meeting Cole excused absence
- 2/11/2026-regular meeting Rascoff excused absence

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY							Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Third Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m.	Appointed	Re-appointed	Term expired/ Termed out/ Resigned	Total no. of meetings	Total meetings attended	Percentage attended	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2026	2026
Angiel, Nicole	4/29/2025			9	8	89%	*	*	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1
Hedley, Nancy LaRocca	4/26/2022			11	10	91%	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1		1	1	1
Hernandez, Eduardo Lopez	4/26/2022			11	10	91%	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0		1	1	1
Hill, Susannah	4/16/2024	4/19/2025		11	9	82%	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	0
Kissel, Brian	4/25/2023			11	8	73%	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0		1	1	1
McKenna, John	11/1/2022	4/16/2024		11	11	100%	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1
Meyer, Zachary	4/16/2024			11	10	91%	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1		1	1	1
<i>Pelegri-Llopart, Eduardo*</i>	4/25/2023		4/17/2025	2	2	100%	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	*		*	*	*

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3/19/2025-regular meeting Hill remote, arrive at 6:08 p.m., exited at 7:26 p.m.

4/16/2025-regular meeting Kissel excused absence

4/17/2025-Pelegri-Llopart resigned

5/21/2025-regular meeting Hill excused absence

5/21/2025-regular meeting Kissel excused absence

6/18/2025-regular meeting Angiel excused absence

7/16/2025-regular meeting Meyer excused absence

8/20/2025-regular meeting Hedley excused absence

8/20/2025-regular meeting Kissel remote

10/15/2025-regular meeting Hernandez excused absence

10/15/2025-regular meeting Kissel excused absence

11/19/2025-regular meeting cancelled

12/17/2025-regular meeting Kissel remote

1/21/2026-regular meeting Kissel arrived at 6:01 p.m.

2/26/2025-special meeting Hill excused absence

FINANCE AND AUDIT							Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Third Thursday of every quarter at 5:30 p.m.			Term expired/ Termed out/ Resigned	Total no. of meetings	Total meetings attended	Percentage attended	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2026	2026
Appointed	Re-appointed																	
Albright, Colin	4/16/2024			5	4	80%		1			0		1	1				1
Altman, Brian	4/29/2025			4	4	100%		*			1		1	1				1
<i>Bramlett, Lynne*</i>	5/23/2023		4/30/2025	1	1	100%		1			*		*	*				*
Dey, Jayanta	5/23/2023	4/29/2025		5	4	80%		1			1		1	0				1
Emery, David	4/29/2025			4	4	100%		*			1		1	1				1
Garton, Jackson	4/16/2024			5	1	20%		0			0		0	0				1
<i>Leroux, Jeff*</i>	4/25/2023		4/30/2025	1	0	0%		0			*		*	*				*
Melahn, Laura	4/29/2025			4	3	75%		*			1		1	1				0
<i>Normington, Matt*</i>	5/25/2021	4/25/2023	4/30/2025	1	0	0%		0			*		*	*				*
<i>Wong, Carol*</i>	5/25/2021	4/25/2023	4/30/2025	1	1	100%		1			*		*	*				*
Velagapudi, Vamsi	4/29/2025			4	4	100%		*			1		1	1				1

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- 4/17/2025-regular meeting Garton excused absence
- 4/17/2025-regular meeting Leroux excused absence
- 4/17/2025-regular meeting Normington excused absence
- 4/30/2025-Bramlett term expired
- 4/30/2025-Leroux term expired
- 4/30/2025-Normington termed out
- 4/30/2025-Wong termed out
- 7/17/2025-regular meeting Albright excused absence
- 7/17/2025-regular meeting Garton excused absence
- 9/11/2025-special meeting Garton excused absence
- 10/16/2025-regular meeting Dey excused absence
- 10/16/2025-regular meeting Garton excused absence
- 1/15/2026-regular meeting Melahn excused absence

HOUSING							Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
First Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.							2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2026	2026
	Appointed	Re-appointed	Term expired/ Termed out/ Resigned	Total no. of meetings	Total meetings attended	Percentage attended												
Beeli, Jessica	4/16/2024			10	6	60%	1		1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	
Chapa, Charles	8/12/2025			5	5	100%	*		*	*	*	*	1	1	1	1	1	
Dumont, Katherine	4/29/2025			9	8	89%	*		0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Kranen, Kevin	4/29/2025			9	9	100%	*		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
<i>Leitch, Heather*</i>	<i>5/25/2021</i>		<i>4/30/2025</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	
<i>Merriman, Nevada*</i>	<i>5/16/2017</i>	<i>5/25/2021</i>	<i>4/30/2025</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0%</i>	<i>0</i>		<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	
Oursler, William	4/29/2025			9	9	100%	*		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
<i>Portillo, Virginia*</i>	<i>4/25/2023</i>		<i>6/2/2025</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>1</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	
Switzer, Steven	10/8/2024			10	10	100%	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
<i>Trempont, Hadrien*</i>	<i>8/13/2024</i>		<i>4/30/2025</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0%</i>	<i>0</i>		<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	
Wong Carol	4/29/2025			9	6	67%	*		1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	

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3/25/2025-regular meeting Merriman excused absence

3/25/2025-regular meeting Trempont excused absence

4/2/2025-meeting cancelled

4/30/2025-Leitch term expired

4/30/2025-Merriman termed out

4/30/2025-Trempont term expired

5/27/2025-regular meeting Dumont excused absense

6/2/2025-Portillo resigned

7/2/2025-regular meeting cancelled

7/10/2025-special meeting Beeli excused absence

7/10/2025-special meeting Wong excused absence

8/6/2025-regular meeting Wong excused absence

9/3/2025-regular meeting Beeli excused absence

10/1/2025-regular meeting Beeli excused absence

10/1/2025-regular meeting Wong remote

12/3/2025-special meeting Krane arrived at 6:50 p.m.

12/3/2025-regular meeting Beeli excused absence

1/17/2026-regular meeting Wong excused absence

2/4/2025-regular meeting cancelled

LIBRARY							Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Third Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m.			Term expired/ Termed out/ Resigned	Total no. of meetings	Total meetings attended	Percentage attended	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2026	2026
Appointed	Re-appointed																	
Abdulla, Leith	10/21/2025			3	3	100%	*	*	*	*	*	*		*	1		1	1
Crockett, Kim	8/13/2024			10	10	100%	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	1
<i>Herrick, Michael*</i>	<i>2/13/2024</i>		<i>9/16/2025</i>	6	5	83%	1	1	1	1	0	1		*	*		*	*
Orton, Carol	4/25/2023			10	10	100%	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	1
<i>Pollack, David*</i>	<i>2/13/2024</i>		<i>4/30/2025</i>	2	2	100%	1	1	*	*	*	*		*	*		*	*
Sisbot, Sarah	2/25/2025			10	10	100%	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	1
Shafer, Scott	4/16/2024			10	6	60%	0	1	0	1	1	1		1	0		1	0
Westcott, Brian	4/16/2024			10	10	100%	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	1
Yule, Daniel	4/29/2025			8	8	100%	*	*	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	1

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3/17/2025-regular meeting Shafer excused absence

5/19/2025-regular meeting cancelled

4/30/2025-Pollack term expired

5/28/2025-special joint meeting with Shafer excused absence

6/16/2025-regular meeting Sisbot remote

7/21/2025-regular meeting Herrick excused absence

9/16/2025-Herrick resigned

9/15/2025-regular meeting cancelled

11/7/2025-regular meeting Shafer excused absence

12/15/2025-special meeting cancelled, lack of quorum

1/19/2025-regular meeting cancelled

1/26/2026-special meeting

2/16/2026-regular meeting cancelled

2/26/2026-special meeting Shafer excused absence

PARKS AND RECREATION							Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.	Appointed	Re-appointed	Term expired/ Termed out/ Resigned	Total no. of meetings	Total meetings attended	Percentage attended	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	2026	2026
Chunyu, Yongdan	4/29/2025			9	6	67%	*	*	1	1	1	0	1	1	0		1	0
Dawkins, Kevin	8/13/2024			11	8	73%	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1		1	0
Emms, Dawn*	8/13/2024		4/30/2025	2	0	0%	0	0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		*	*
Grass, Joseph	4/16/2024			11	9	82%	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1		1	1
Joshua, Peter*	5/25/2021		4/30/2025	2	1	50%	0	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		*	*
Lee, Wonman	4/25/2023			11	10	91%	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		0	1
Patel, Shilpa	4/29/2025			9	6	67%	*	*	1	1	1	0	0	1	1		1	0
Sherman, Michele	4/16/2024			11	7	64%	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1		0	1
Van Buren, Justin	8/13/2024			11	10	91%	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1		1	1

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- 3/26/2025-regular meeting Emms excused absence
- 3/26/2025-regular meeting Joshua excused absence
- 4/23/2025-regular meeting Emms excused absence
- 4/23/2025-regular meeting Sherman excused absence
- 4/30/2025-Emms term expired
- 4/30/2025-Joshua term expired
- 5/28/2025-special joint meeting with Dawkins excused absence
- 6/25/2025-regular meeting Sherman excused absence
- 7/23/2025-regular meeting Dawkins excused absence
- 8/27/2025-regular meeting Chunyu excused absence
- 8/27/2025-regular meeting Grass excused absence
- 8/27/2025-regular meeting Patel excused absence
- 9/24/2025-regular meeting Patel excused absence
- 9/24/2025-regular meeting Van Buren excused absence
- 10/22/2025-regular meeting Grass excused absence
- 10/22/2025-regular meeting Sherman excused absence
- 11/19/2025-special meeting Chunyu excused absence
- 11/26/2025-regular meeting cancelled
- 12/15/2025-special meeting cancelled
- 12/24/2025-special meeting cancelled
- 1/28/2026-regular meeting Lee excused absence
- 1/28/2026-regular meeting Sherman excused absence
- 2/25/2026-regular meeting Chunyu excused absence
- 2/25/2026-regular meeting Dawkins excused absence
- 2/25/2026-regular meeting Patel excused absence

PLANNING							Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	June 2025	July 2025	Aug 2025	Sept 2025	Oct 2025	Nov 2025	Dec 2025	Jan 2026	Feb 2026
Twice a month on Mondays (varies) at 7 p.m.			Term expired/ Termed out/ Resigned	Total no. of meetings	Total meetings attended	Percentage attended												
	Appointed	Re-appointed																
Behroozi, Katie	4/16/2024			20	17	85%	2	2	1	2	1	2	2	1	0	2	1	1
Do, Linh Dan	4/26/2022			20	16	80%	1	2	1	2	0	2	2	1	2	1	1	1
Ehrich, Andrew	4/25/2023			20	18	90%	2	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	2	1	1
Ferrick, Katie	4/25/2023			20	16	80%	2	2	1	1	0	2	2	1	2	2	0	1
Schindler, Jennifer	11/1/2022			20	20	100%	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	1
Silin, Misha	4/16/2024			20	19	95%	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	0
Silverstein, Ross	1/23/2024	4/29/2025		20	17	85%	2	1	2	2	0	1	2	1	2	2	1	1

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- 3/10/2025-regular meeting Do excused absence
- 4/14/2025-regular meeting Ehrich exited at 7:30 p.m.
- 4/14/2025-regular meeting Do remote
- 4/28/2025-regular meeting Ehrich excused absence
- 4/28/2025-regular meeting Silverstein excused absence
- 5/5/2025-regular meeting Behroozi excused absence
- 5/19/2025-regular meeting Do excused absence
- 5/19/2025-regular meeting Ferrick excused absence
- 6/23/2025-regular meeting Ferrick excused absence
- 7/14/2025-regular meeting Do excused absence
- 7/14/2025-regular meeting Ferrick excused absence
- 7/14/2025-regular meeting Silverstein excused absence
- 7/28/2025-regular meeting cancelled
- 8/11/2025-regular meeting Silverstein excused absence
- 8/25/2025-regular meeting Behroozi remote
- 9/8/2025-regular meeting Do exited at 8:30 p.m.
- 10/6/2025-regular meeting cancelled
- 11/3/2025-regular meeting Behroozi excused absence
- 11/3/2025-regular meeting Ehrich excused absence
- 11/17/2025-regular meeting Behroozi excused absence
- 12/15/2025-regular meeting Do excused absence
- 1/12/2026-regular meeting Ferrick excused absence
- 1/26/2026-regular meeting cancelled
- 2/9/2026-regular meeting cancelled
- 2/23/2026-regular meeting Silin excused absence

COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

City Council Policy #CC-24-004
 Adopted Feb. 13, 2024
 Resolution No. 6890



Purpose
To define policies and procedures and roles and responsibilities for Menlo Park appointed commissions and committees.
Authority
Upon its original adoption, this policy replaced the document known as "Organization of Advisory Commissions of the City of Menlo Park."
Background
<p>The City of Menlo Park currently has seven active Commissions. The active advisory bodies are: Complete Streets Commission, Environmental Quality Commission, Finance and Audit Commission, Housing Commission, Library Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, and Planning Commission. Those not specified in the City Code are established by City Council ordinance or resolution. Most of these advisory bodies are established in accordance with Resolution No. 2801 and its amendments. Within specific areas of responsibility, each advisory body has a primary role of advising the City Council on policy matters or reviewing specific issues and carrying out assignments as directed by the City Council or prescribed by law.</p> <p>Six of the seven commissions listed above are advisory in nature. The Planning Commission is both advisory and regulatory and organized according to the City Code (Ch. 2.12) and State statute (Government Code §65100 et seq., §65300-65401).</p> <p>The City has an adopted Anti-Harassment and Non-Discrimination Policy (CC-21-0022), and a Travel, Meal, and Lodging Policy (CC-19-002), which are also applicable to all advisory bodies.</p>
Policies and Procedures
<p><u>Relationship to City Council, staff and media</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upon referral by the City Council, the commission/committee shall study referred matters and return their recommendations and advise to the City Council. With each such referral, the City Council may authorize the City staff to provide certain designated services to aid in the study. • Upon its own initiative, the commission/committee shall identify and raise issues to the City Council's attention and from time to time explore pertinent matters and make recommendations to the City Council. • At a request of a member of the public, the commission/committee may consider appeals from City actions or inactions in pertinent areas and, if deemed appropriate, report and make recommendations to the City Council. • Each commission/committee is required to develop an annual work plan which will be the foundation for the work performed by the advisory body in support of City Council annual work plan. The plan, once finalized by a majority of the commission/committee, will be formally presented to the City Council for direction and approval no later than September 30 of each year and then reported out on by a representative of the advisory body at a regularly scheduled City Council meeting at least annually, but recommended twice a year. The proposed work plan must align with the City Council's adopted work plan. When modified, the work plan must be taken to the City Council for approval. The Planning Commission is exempt from this requirement as its functions are governed by the Menlo Park municipal code (Chapter 2.12) and State law (Government Code §65100 et seq., §65300-65401). • Commissions and committees shall not become involved in the administrative or operational matters of City departments. Members may not direct staff to initiate major programs, conduct large studies or establish department policy. City staff assigned to furnish staff services shall be available to provide general staff assistance, such as preparation of agenda/notice materials and minutes, general review of department programs and activities, and to perform limited studies, program reviews, and other services of a general staff nature. Commissions/Committees may not establish department work programs or determine department program priorities. The responsibility for setting policy and allocating scarce City resources rests with the City's duly elected representatives, the City Council. • Additional or other staff support may be provided upon a formal request to the City Council. • The staff liaison shall act as the commission/committee's lead representative to the media concerning matters before the commission/committee. Commission/Committee members should refer all media inquiries to their respective liaisons for response. Personal opinions and comments may be expressed so long as the commission/committee member clarifies that their statements do not represent the position of the City Council. • Commission/Committee members will have mandatory training every two years regarding the Brown Act and

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parliamentary procedures, anti-harassment training, ethics training, and other training required by the City Council or State Law. The commission/committee members may have the opportunity for additional training, such as training for chair and vice chair. Failure to comply with the mandatory training will be reported to the City Council and may result in replacement of the member by the City Council.

- Requests from commission/committee member(s) determined by the staff liaison to take one hour or more of staff time to complete, must be directed by the City Council.

Role of City Council commission/committee liaison

City Councilmembers are assigned to serve in a liaison capacity with one or more city commission/committee. The purpose of the liaison assignment is to facilitate communication between the City Council and the advisory body. The liaison also helps to increase the City Council's familiarity with the membership, programs and issues of the advisory body. In fulfilling their liaison assignment, City Councilmembers may elect to attend commission/committee meetings periodically to observe the activities of the advisory body or simply maintain communication with the commission/committee chair on a regular basis.

City Councilmembers should be sensitive to the fact that they are not participating members of the commission/committee, but are there rather to create a linkage between the City Council and commission/committee. In interacting with commissions/committee, City Councilmembers are to reflect the views of the City Council as a body. Being a commission/committee liaison bestows no special right with respect to commission/committee business.

Typically, assignments to commission/committee liaison positions are made at the beginning of a City Council term in December. The Mayor will ask City Councilmembers which liaison assignments they desire and will submit recommendations to the full City Council regarding the various committees, boards, and commissions which City Councilmembers will represent as a liaison. In the rare instance where more than one City Councilmember wishes to be the appointed liaison to a particular commission, a vote of the City Council will be taken to confirm appointments.

City Staff Liaison

The City has designated staff to act as a liaison between the commission/committee and the City Council. The City shall provide staff services to the commission/committee which will include:

- Developing a rapport with the Chair and commission/committee members
- Providing a schedule of meetings to the city clerk's office and commission/committee members, arranging meeting locations, maintaining the minutes and other public records of the meeting, and preparing and distributing appropriate information related to the meeting agenda.
- Advising the commission/committee on directions and priorities of the City Council.
- Informing the commission/committee of events, activities, policies, programs, etc. occurring within the scope of the commission/committee's function.
- Ensuring the city clerk is informed of all vacancies, expired terms, changes in offices, or any other changes to the commission/committee.
- Providing information to the appropriate appointed official including reports, actions, and recommendations of the committee/commission and notifying them of noncompliance by the commission/committee or chair with City policies.
- Ensuring that agenda items approved by the commission/committee are brought forth in a timely manner taking into consideration staff capacity, City Council priorities, the commission/committee work plan, and other practical matters such as the expense to conduct research or prepare studies, provided appropriate public notification, and otherwise properly prepare the item for commission/committee consideration.
- Take action minutes; upon agreement of the commission, this task may be performed by one of the members (staff is still responsible for the accuracy and formatting of the minutes)
- Maintain a minute book with signed minutes

Recommendations, requests and reports

As needed, near the beginning of City Council meetings, there will be an item called "Advisory Body Reports." At this time, commissions/committees may present recommendations or status reports and may request direction and support from the City Council. Such requests shall be communicated to the staff liaison in advance, including any written materials, so that they may be listed on the agenda and distributed with the agenda packet. The materials being

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provided to the City Council must be approved by a majority of the commission/committee at a commission/committee meeting before submittal to the City Council. The City Council will receive such reports and recommendations and, after suitable study and discussion, respond or give direction.

City Council referrals

The city clerk shall transmit to the designated staff liaison all referrals and requests from the City Council for advice and recommendations. The commissions/committees shall expeditiously consider and act on all referrals and requests made by the City Council and shall submit reports and recommendations to the City Council on these assignments.

Public appearance of commission/committee members

When a commission/committee member appears in a non-official, non-representative capacity before the public, for example, at a City Council meeting, the member shall indicate that they are speaking only as an individual. This also applies when interacting with the media and on social media. If the commission/committee member appears as the representative of an applicant or a member of the public, the Political Reform Act may govern this appearance. In addition, in certain circumstances, due process considerations might apply to make a commission/committee member's appearance inappropriate. Conversely, when a member who is present at a City Council meeting is asked to address the City Council on a matter, the member should represent the viewpoint of the particular commission/committee as a whole (not a personal opinion).

Disbanding of advisory body

Upon recommendation by the Chair or appropriate staff, any standing or special advisory body, established by the City Council and whose members were appointed by the City Council, may be declared disbanded due to lack of business, by majority vote of the City Council.

Stipends

Per Government Code §36506, the City is authorized to pay appointed Planning Commissioners by resolution. The City Council has adopted a resolution with an amount not to exceed \$200 per month per Planning Commissioner. Per the IRS (Internal Revenue Services), "public officer" also includes appointed members of advisory boards and committees and commissions. The Planning Commission stipend is taxable income and each member will receive a W-2.

Meetings and officers

1. *Agendas/notices/minutes*

- All meetings shall be open and public and shall conduct business through published agendas, public notices and minutes and follow all of the Brown Act provisions governing public meetings. Special, canceled and adjourned meetings may be called when needed, subject to the Brown Act provisions.
- Support staff for each commission/committee shall be responsible for properly noticing and posting all regular, special, canceled and adjourned meetings. Copies of all meeting agendas, notices and minutes shall be provided to the City Council, city manager, city attorney, city clerk and other appropriate staff, as requested.
- Original agendas and minutes shall be filed and maintained by support staff in accordance with the City's adopted records retention schedule.
- The official record of the commissions/committees will be preserved by preparation of action minutes.

2. *Conduct and parliamentary procedures*

- Unless otherwise specified by State law or City regulations, conduct of all meetings shall generally follow Robert's Rules of Order.
- A majority of commission/committee members shall constitute a quorum and a quorum must be seated before official action is taken.
- The chair of each commission/committee shall preside at all meetings and the vice chair shall assume the duties of the chair when the chair is absent.
- The role of the commission/committee chair (according to Roberts Rules of Order): To open the session at the time at which the assembly is to meet, by taking the chair and calling the members to order; to announce the business before the assembly in the order in which it is to be acted upon; to recognize members entitled to the floor; to state and put to vote all questions which are regularly moved, or necessarily arise in the course of the proceedings, and to announce the result of the vote; to protect the assembly from annoyance from evidently frivolous or dilatory motions by refusing to recognize them; to assist in the expediting of business in every compatible with the rights of the members, as by allowing brief remarks when undebatable motions are pending, if they think it advisable; to restrain the members when engaged in debate, within the rules of order, to enforce on all occasions the observance of order and decorum among the members, decide

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of order (subject to an appeal to the assembly by any two members) unless when in doubt he prefers to submit the question for the decision of the assembly; to inform the assembly when necessary, or when referred to for the purpose, on a point of order to practice pertinent to pending business; to authenticate by their signature, when necessary, all the acts, orders, and proceedings of the assembly declaring it will and in all things obeying its commands.

3. *Lack of a quorum*

- When a lack of a quorum exists at the start time of a meeting, those present will wait 15 minutes for additional members to arrive. If after 15 minutes a quorum is still not present, the meeting will be adjourned by the staff liaison due to lack of a quorum. Once the meeting is adjourned it cannot be reconvened.
- The public is not allowed to address those commissioners present during the 15 minutes the commission/committee is waiting for additional members to arrive.
- Staff can make announcements to the members during this time but must follow up with an email to all members of the body conveying the same information.
- All other items shall not be discussed with the members present as it is best to make the report when there is a quorum present.

4. *Meeting locations and dates*

- Meetings shall be held in designated City facilities, as noticed.
- All commissions/committees with the exception of the Planning Commission, and Finance and Audit Commission shall conduct regular meetings once a month. Special meetings may also be scheduled as required by the commission/committee. The Planning Commission shall hold regular meetings twice a month and the Finance and Audit Commission shall hold quarterly meetings.
- Monthly regular meetings shall have a fixed date and time established by the commission/committee. Changes to the established regular dates and times are subject to the approval of the City Council. An exception to this rule would include any changes necessitated to fill a temporary need in order for the commission/committee to conduct its meeting in a most efficient and effective way as long as proper and adequate notification is provided to the City Council and made available to the public.

The schedule of Commission meetings is as follows:

- Complete Streets Commission – Every second Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
- Environmental Quality Commission – Every third Wednesday at 6 p.m.
- Finance and Audit Commission – Third Thursday of every quarter at 5:30 p.m.,
- Housing Commission – Every first Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
- Library Commission – Every third Monday at 6:30 p.m.
- Parks and Recreation Commission – Every fourth Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
- Planning Commission – Twice a month on a Monday at 7 p.m.

Each commission/committee may establish other operational policies subject to the approval of the City Council. Any changes to the established policies and procedures shall be subject to the approval of the City Council.

5. *Off-premises meeting participation*

While technology allows commission/committee members to participate in meetings from a location other than the meeting location (referred to as “off-premises”), off-premises participation is discouraged given the logistics required to ensure compliance with the Brown Act and experience with technological failures disrupting the meeting. In the event that a commission/committee member believes that their participation is essential to a meeting, the following shall apply:

- Any commission/committee member intending to participate from an off-premise location shall inform the staff liaison at least two weeks in advance of the meeting.
- The off-premise location must be identified in the notice and agenda of the meeting.
- Agendas must be posted at the off-premise location.
- The off-premise location must be accessible to the public and be ADA compliant.
- The commission/committee member participating at a duly noticed off-premises location does not count toward the quorum necessary to convene a meeting of the commission/committee.
- For any one meeting, no more than one commission/committee member may participate from an off-premise location.
- All votes must be by roll call.

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6. *Selection of chair and vice chair*

- The chair and vice chair shall be selected in May of each year by a majority of the members and shall serve for one year or until their successors are selected.
- Each commission/committee shall annually rotate its chair and vice chair.

G. Memberships

Appointments/Oaths

- The City Council is the appointing body for all commissions/committees. All members serve at the pleasure of the City Council for designated terms.
- All appointments and reappointments shall be made at a regularly scheduled City Council meeting, and require an affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the City Council present.
- Before taking office, all members must complete an Oath of Allegiance required by Article XX, §3, of the Constitution of the State of California. All oaths are administered by the city clerk or their designee.
- Appointments made during the middle of the term are for the unexpired portion of that term.

Application and selection process

- The application process begins when a vacancy occurs due to term expiration, resignation, removal or death of a member.
- The application period will normally run for a period of four weeks from the date the vacancy occurs. If there is more than one concurrent vacancy in a Commission, the application period may be extended. Applications are available from the city clerk's office and on the City's website.
- The city clerk shall notify members whose terms are about to expire whether or not they would be eligible for reappointment. If reappointment is sought, an updated application will be required.
- Applicants are required to complete and return the application form for each commission/committee they desire to serve on, along with any additional information they would like to transmit, by the established deadline. Applications sent by email are accepted.
- After the deadline of receipt of applications, the city clerk shall schedule the matter at the next available regular City Council meeting. All applications received will be submitted and made a part of the City Council agenda packet for their review and consideration. If there are no applications received by the deadline, the city clerk will extend the application period for an indefinite period of time until sufficient applications are received.
- Upon review of the applications received, the City Council reserves the right to schedule or waive interviews, or to extend the application process in the event insufficient applications are received. In either case, the city clerk will provide notification to the applicants of the decision of the City Council.
- If an interview is requested, the date and time will be designated by the City Council. Interviews are open to the public.
- The selection/appointment process by the City Council shall be conducted at a City Council meeting. The city clerk will ask each City Councilmember for their nominations; the number of nominations is limited to the number of vacancies. The candidate that receives a majority of nominations will be appointed. If there is a tie, multiple rounds of voting will occur.
- Following a City Council appointment, the city clerk shall notify successful and unsuccessful applicants accordingly, in writing. Appointees will receive copies of the City's Non-Discrimination and Sexual Harassment policies, and disclosure statements for those members who are required to file under State law as designated in the City's Conflict of Interest Code. Copies of the notification will also be distributed to support staff and the commission/committee chair.
- An orientation will be scheduled by the city clerk following an appointment (but before taking office) and a copy of this policy document will be provided at that time.

Attendance

- A compilation of attendance will be submitted to the City Council at least annually listing absences for all commissions/committee members.
- Absences, which result in attendance at less than two-thirds of their meetings during the calendar year, will be reported to the City Council and may result in replacement of the member by the City Council.
- Any member who feels that unique circumstances have led to numerous absences can appeal directly to the City Council for a waiver of this policy or to obtain a leave of absence.
- While it is expected that members be present at all meetings, the chair and staff liaison should be notified if a member knows in advance that they will be absent.

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- When reviewing commissioners for reappointment, overall attendance at full commission meetings will be given significant consideration.

Compensation

- Members shall serve without compensation (unless specifically provided) for their services, provided, however, members shall receive reimbursement for necessary travel expenses and other expenses incurred on official duty when such expenditures have been authorized by the City Council (See Policy CC-19-002).

Conflict of interest and disclosure requirements

- A Conflict of Interest Code has been updated and adopted by the City pursuant to Government Code §87300 et seq. Copies of the conflict of interest code are filed with the city clerk. Pursuant to the adopted Conflict of Interest Code, members serving on the Complete Streets Commission, Housing Commission, and Planning Commission are required to file a Statement of Economic Interest with the city clerk to disclose personal interest in investments, real property and income. This is done within 30 days of appointment and annually thereafter. A statement is also required within 30 days after leaving office.
- If a public official has a conflict of interest, the Political Reform Act may require the official to disqualify themselves from making or participating in a governmental decision, or using their official position to influence a governmental decision. Questions in this regard may be directed to the city attorney.

Qualifications, compositions, number

- In most cases, members shall be residents of the City of Menlo Park and at least 18 years of age.
- Current members of any other City commission/committee are disqualified for membership, unless the regulations for that advisory body permit concurrent membership. Commission/Committee members are strongly advised to serve out the entirety of the term of their current appointment before seeking appointment on another commission/committee.
- Commission/Committee members shall be permitted to retain membership while seeking any elective office. However, members shall not use the meetings, functions or activities of such bodies for purposes of campaigning for elective office.
- There shall be seven (7) members on each commission/committee.

Reappointments, resignations, removals

- Incumbents seeking a reappointment are required to complete and file an application with the city clerk by the application deadline. No person shall be reappointed to a commission/committee who has served on that same body for two consecutive terms; unless a period of one year has lapsed since the returning member last served on that commission/committee (the one-year period is flexible subject to City Council's discretion).
- Resignations must be submitted in writing to the city clerk, who will distribute copies to City Council and appropriate staff.
- The City Council may remove a member by a majority vote of the City Council without cause, notice or hearing.

Term of office

- Unless specified otherwise, the term of office for all commission/committees shall be four (4) years unless a resignation or a removal has taken place.
- If a person is appointed to fill an unexpired term and serves less than two years, that time will not be considered a full term. However, if a person is appointed to fill an unexpired term and serves two years or more, that time will be considered a full term.
- Terms are staggered to be overlapping four-year terms, so that all terms do not expire in any one year.
- If a member resigns before the end of their term, a replacement serves out the remainder of that term.

Vacancies

- Vacancies are created due to term expirations, resignations, removals or death.
- Vacancies are posted by the city clerk in the City Council Chambers bulletin board and on the city website.
- Whenever an unscheduled vacancy occurs in any commission/committee, a special vacancy notice shall be posted within 20 days after the vacancy occurs. Appointment shall not be made for at least 10 working days after posting of the notice (Government Code §54974).
- On or before December 31 of each year, an appointment list of all regular advisory commissions/committees of the City Council shall be prepared by the city clerk and posted in the City Council Chambers bulletin board and

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on the City’s website. This list is also available to the public (Government Code §54972, Maddy Act).

Roles and Responsibilities

Complete Streets Commission

The Complete Streets Commission is charged primarily with advising the City Council on realizing the City's adopted goals for complete streets, vision zero, climate action plan, and provide input on major land use and development projects as it relates to transportation. The Complete Streets Commission's responsibilities include:

- To advance the goals of the city’s newly adopted climate action plan by making alternatives to driving safer and more attractive
- Advise City Council on the implementation of the transportation master plan.
- Continue to advocate for and advise the City Council on planning and installing pedestrian and bicycle rail crossing and safe cycling/pedestrian infrastructure.
- Continue to support City Council in ongoing initiatives to improve access to Downtown and support downtown businesses.
- Continue to support the implementation of the Safe Routes to School strategy and advocate for community engagement, program continuity and engineering implementation.
- Continue to support City Council’s role as a stakeholder with regard to regional multi-modal and transportation demand management programs projects to increase

Environmental Quality Commission

The Environmental Quality Commission is committed to helping the City of Menlo Park to be a leading sustainable city that inspires institutions and individuals and that is well positioned to manage present and future environmental impacts, including the grave threat of climate change. The Environmental Quality Commission is charged primarily with advising the City Council on matters involving climate change, environmental protection, and sustainability. Specific focus areas include:

- Climate Action Plan - Advise and recommend on the implementation of the climate action plan.
- Climate Resilience and Adaptation - Ensure that our most vulnerable communities have a voice in policies and programs to protect their communities from environmental impacts.
- Urban Canopy - Leverage best practices to advise/recommend on the preservation of heritage trees, city trees and expansion of the urban canopy; and make determinations on appeals of heritage tree removal permits.
- Green and Sustainable Initiatives – Support sustainability initiatives, as needs arise, which may include city-led events, habitat protection, healthy ecology, environmental health protection, healthy air, surface water runoff quality, water conservation and waste reduction.

Finance and Audit Commission

The Finance and Audit Commission is charged primarily to support delivery of timely, clear and comprehensive reporting of the City’s fiscal status to the community at large. Specific focus areas include:

- Review the process for periodic financial reporting to the City Council and the public, as needed
- Review financial audit and annual financial report with the City’s external auditors
- Review of the resolution of prior year audit findings
- Review of the auditor selection process and scope, as needed

Housing Commission

The Housing Commission is charged primarily with advising the City Council on housing matters including housing supply and housing related problems. Specific focus areas include:

- Community attitudes about housing (range, distribution, racial, social-economic problems)
- Programs for evaluating, maintaining, and upgrading the distribution and quality of housing stock in the City
- Planning, implementing and evaluating City programs under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974
- Review and recommend to the City Council regarding the Below Market Rate (BMR) program
- Initiate, review and recommend on housing policies and programs for the City
- Review and recommend on housing related impacts for environmental impact reports
- Review and recommend on State and regional housing issues
- Review and recommend on the Housing Element of the General Plan

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Library Commission

The Library Commission is charged primarily with advising the City Council on matters related to the maintenance and operation of the City’s libraries and library systems. Specific focus areas include:

- The scope and degree of library activities
- Maintenance and protection of City libraries
- Evaluation and improvement of library service
- Acquisition of library materials
- Coordination with other library systems and long range planning
- Literacy and ESL programs

Parks and Recreation Commission

The Parks and Recreation Commission is charged primarily with advising the City Council on matters related to City programs and facilities dedicated to recreation. Specific focus areas include:

- Those programs and facilities established primarily for the participation of and/or use by residents of the City, including adequacy and maintenance of such facilities as parks and playgrounds, recreation buildings, facilities and equipment
- Adequacy, operation and staffing of recreation programs
- Modification of existing programs and facilities to meet developing community needs
- Long range planning and regional coordination concerning park and recreational facilities

Planning Commission

The Planning Commission is organized according to State Statute.

- The Planning Commission reviews development proposals on public and private lands for compliance with the General Plan and Zoning Ordinance.
- The Commission reviews all development proposals requiring a use permit, architectural control, variance, minor subdivision and environmental review associated with these projects. The Commission is the final decision-making body for these applications, unless appealed to the City Council.
- The Commission serves as a recommending body to the City Council for major subdivisions, rezoning’s, conditional development permits, Zoning Ordinance amendments, General Plan amendments and the environmental reviews and Below Market Rate (BMR) Housing Agreements associated with those projects.
- The Commission works on special projects as assigned by the City Council.

Special Advisory Bodies

The City Council has the authority to create standing committees, task forces or subcommittees for the City, and from time to time, the City Council may appoint members to these groups. The number of persons and the individual appointee serving on each group may be changed at any time by the City Council. There are no designated terms for members of these groups; members are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the City Council.

Any requests of city commissions or committees to create such ad hoc advisory bodies shall be submitted in writing to the city clerk for City Council consideration and approval.

Procedure history

Action	Date	Notes
Procedure adoption	1991	Resolution No. 3261
Procedure adoption	2001	
Procedure adoption	2011	
Procedure adoption	2013	Resolution No. 6169
Procedure adoption	2017	Resolution No. 6377
Procedure adoption	6/8/2021	Resolution No. 6631

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Procedure adoption	3/1/2022	Resolution No. 6706
Procedure adoption	3/8/2022	Resolution No. 6718
Procedure adoption	9/20/2022	Resolution No. 6776
Procedure adoption	1/10/2023	Resolution No. 6803
Procedure adoption	6/27/2023	Resolution No. 6840
Procedure adoption	2/13/2024	Resolution No. 6890



STAFF REPORT

Library Commission

Meeting Date:

4/20/2026

Staff Report Number:

LC-2026-016

Informational Item:

Library Commission work plan 2025-26 goals

Recommendation

City staff recommends that the Library Commission (LC) check in on the LC work plan 2025-26 goals (Attachment A) in preparation for a scheduled June study session to set new work plan goals and an August report out on plan goal progress to the City Council.

Policy Issues

City Council Policy CC-24-004 sets the procedures, roles and responsibilities of Council-appointed advisory bodies, including the LC (Attachment B). The policy requires that each advisory body develop an annual work plan, which will be the foundation for the work performed by the advisory body in support of City Council annual work plan. The plan, once finalized by a majority of the advisory body, is formally presented to the City Council for direction and approval no later than September 30 of each year and then reported out on by a representative of the advisory body at a regularly scheduled City Council meeting at least annually, but recommended twice a year.

Background

On Aug. 18, 2025, the LC recommended a proposed work plan for 2025-26 (Attachment C).

On Aug. 26, 2025, the LC reported out to the City Council on their progress towards their 2024-25 work plan.

On Sept, 30, 2025, City Council revised the proposed LC 2025-26 work plan and approved it as revised (Attachment D).

On Nov. 17, 2025, the LC set milestones for achieving their work plan goals, including periodic review of plan goals .

Analysis

The City Council approved the LC work plan Sept. 30, 2025. Periodic review of goals and setting milestone dates for each goal could help the LC complete their work plan by the fall 2026 report out deadline.

The work plan in Attachment A contains five goals.

- Goal 1 contains standing items that recur every year.
- Goal 2 is to review library programs and services to identify potential service gaps, and is a component of Goal 4.

- Goal 3 asks the Commission to analyze and evaluate near or immediate-term capital improvements to the main library facility and is a component to Goal 4.
- Goal 4 – to complete and submit a report to the City Council on the “library of the future” - has been completed.
- Goal 5 is to support and advise on library programming at the BHCC.

In a typical year, the Commission meets monthly, with one or two joint meetings held with the Parks and Recreation Commission. The Commission uses the tentative agenda calendar to set agenda items for future meetings. The tentative agenda calendar could be a useful planning tool for this task.

Below is a summary listing of topics the LC has reviewed, advised, and/or recommended during the past year 2025-26:

- Updated LC work plan for 2025-26
- Selected new commission chair and vice-chair
- Recommended departmental policy updates to Library Use Guidelines
- Compiled preliminary main library facility condition information
- Ad hoc subcommittee on library-specific outreach in District 1
- Ad hoc subcommittee on library of the future and near-term improvements
- Received a presentation on the Belle Haven Library: Year in Review
- Received updates on budget process and timeline

In addition to the above topics, the LC provided a monthly forum for public transparency and input related to Library services in Menlo Park; reviewed public suggestion box comments and responses; received departmental updates; advised on recreation program statistics; and received staff presentations about library programs and services.

Impact on City Resources

As an advisory body to the City Council, the LC does not authorize resource allocations. City budget authorizations are the sole purview of the City Council. There is no substantive impact to the City’s general fund related to the topics in this report.

Environmental Review

This report is not a project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §§ 15378 and 15061(b)(3) as it will not result in any direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

Public Notice

Public notification was achieved by posting the agenda, with the agenda items being listed, at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Attachments

- A. LC work plan 2025-26, as revised and approved by City Council Sept. 30
- B. Hyperlink. Staff Report # 24-025-CC: menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/city-council/2024-meetings/agendas/20240213/k6-20240213-cc-planning-commission-stipend.pdf

- C. Hyperlink. Staff Report #LC-2025-036: [menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2025-meetings/agendas/20250818_library_commission_agenda_packet.pdf#page=67](https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2025-meetings/agendas/20250818_library_commission_agenda_packet.pdf#page=67)
- D. Hyperlink. City Council meeting video, Sept. 30. youtu.be/-TegH8PG3rw?si=nPmLIIUNr4fsmEQN&t=21309
- E. Hyperlink. Staff Report #LC 2025-048: https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2025-meetings/agendas/20251117_lc_agenda_packet.pdf

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Library Commission work plan

Library and Community Services Department
800 Alma Street, Menlo Park CA 94025
Approved September 30, 2025



Work plan goals

1. As an advisory body to the City Council and a forum for public information about library issues:
 - Encourage robust public comment and participation at Commission meetings
 - Periodically review the library's public-facing policies and recommend updates, as required
 - Periodically receive staff presentations and reports about major library service areas
 - Periodically receive Commissioner liaison reports about affiliates
 - Support the filling of openings on the Commission and the effective onboarding of new Commissioners
 - Maintain a 12-month schedule of planned Commission agenda items
2. Review library programs and services, identify potential service gaps for specific age groups or affinity groups, and advise to fill needs to create the "library of the future".
3. Analyze and evaluate whether and how potential near or intermediate term capital improvements to the 800 Alma St. facility may be addressed to better serve the library needs of the community.
4. Complete and recommend a report on the "library of the future" to the City Council in fall 2025 that will include a request that the City Council hold a study session focused on the library. Requests to add items to the City Council agenda should be directed to the City Council member serving as Library Commission liaison.
5. Support and advise library program development and operations of the Belle Haven Community Center (BHCC) including:
 - Belle Haven Community History project
 - Makerspace programming and policies
 - Other policies that may be impacted by shared spaces at BHCC

Work plan history

Action	Date	Notes
Work plan recommendation	August 18, 2025	Library Commission recommended
Work plan approval	September 30, 2025	City Council approved

**STAFF REPORT****Library Commission****Meeting Date:****4/20/2026****Staff Report Number:****LC-2026-017****Informational Item:****Library and Community Services Department updates and statistics****Recommendation**

City staff recommends that the Library Commission (LC) review and provide feedback on the statistics and recent activities in the Library and Community Services (LCS) department outlined in this report.

Policy Issues

As a duly appointed advisory body to the City Council, the LC is charged with advising the City Council on matters related to the City's libraries.

Background

LCS provides a wide range of lifelong learning and recreational opportunities for Menlo Park residents of all ages, abilities and lived experiences. Programs and facilities include public libraries, recreation and sports, early childhood education, after-school programs, summer youth camps, older adults (senior) services, athletic fields and courts, community events and aquatics.

AnalysisMarch statistics (Attachment A)

LCS collects statistics related to department activities. These data help to inform decision-making and improve services to the community. Monthly statistics for March 2026 are provided in Attachment A.

Japanese American History programs (Attachment B)

As part of One Book, One Coast, the City of Menlo Park's Library is offering a special series of Japanese American History programs. These programs received funding support from the Friends of Menlo Park Library.

- March 22 – May 17: Exhibition: Am I An American...? A limited, special exhibition in the library about Fred Korematsu, who challenged the mass imprisonment of Japanese Americans during WWII.
- April 8: A Wartime Journey. A talk by Yoshiko Kanazawa about being forced to relocate to an incarceration camp as a child.
- April 10: Japanese Storytime. A high-energy storytime for ages 2-5 (with an adult), rich with Japanese culture—all in Japanese
- April 14: Draw Manga Moods. Ages 8 - adult are invited to learn to draw expressive faces using the unique visuals of Japanese comics
- April 20: Sacramento's Lost Japantown. A live virtual event hosted by the California Museum
- April 21: Teen Book Group. Participants ages 12 – 17 will be reading "They Called Us Enemy," by George Takei

- May 2: Koto Performance and Film. Musician Shirley Kazuyo Muramoto will present on preserving culture in the "camps."
- May 4: Americans Behind Barbed Wire. Meet people who lived through mass incarceration, and their family members.
- May 17: Japanese Taiko Drumming. Drummer Kristy "Aki" Oshiro will share Japanese language, culture, and history.
- May 31: Author Talk with George Takei. A special visit from "They Called Us Enemy" author George Takei, livestreamed from the East Los Angeles Library.

Library-related infrastructure improvements

- Photovoltaic panels were recently installed in the City Hall parking lot near the Arrillaga Family Gymnastics Center. During the installation, the City Hall lot was closed, and the lot near the Menlo Park Library was used for overflow parking. Installation is now complete, and the increased number of vehicles in the lot near the Menlo Park Library should return to a more typical level of regular users.
- The roof beam ends at the Menlo Park Library are currently being replaced. The previous wood had degraded over the years, and the new beams will help ensure the structural integrity of the roof and new solar panels. The project is expected to be completed within the month. No disruptions to library operations are expected other than construction-related noise.

Impact on City Resources

As an advisory body to the City Council, the LC does not authorize resource allocations. City budget authorizations are the sole purview of the City Council. There is no substantive impact to the City's general fund related to the topics in this report.

Environmental Review

This informational item is not a project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §§15378 and 15061(b)(3) as it will not result in any direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

Public Notice

Public notification was achieved by posting the agenda, with the agenda items being listed, at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Attachments

- A. March 2026 statistics
- B. Hyperlink. Japanese American History programs web page.
<https://www.menlopark.gov/Government/Departments/Library-and-Community-Services/Events/Events-for-adults/202603-05-Exhibition-Korematsu>

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Location*	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
800 Alma St.	36,302	34,067	35,042	35,224	35,148	36,111	35,580	35,096	33,216	32,077	36,035	31,192	34,688
100 Terminal Ave.*	2423	2,645	2,191	2,366	2,286	2,192	2,516	2,343	2,033	2,000	2,401	2,323	2,522
eBooks	9,792	9,902	9,875	9410	10,546	11,281	9,752	10,467	9,853	9,269	10,481	9,229	9,086
eAudio	5,411	5,677	5,935	6159	6,254	6,575	6,797	6,426	6,136	6,745	7,252	6,062	6,674
eVideo	1,159	1,066	1,308	1198	1,531	1,239	1,138	1,219	1,174	1,292	1,252	926	1,133
eSerials	2,415	2,426	2,230	2191	1,983	2,427	2,183	2,253	2,490	2,372	2,492	2,380	3,111
Total online / digital	18,777	19,071	19,348	18,958	16,604	21,336	19,870	20,365	19,653	19,678	10,996	18,597	20,004

	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
New cards issued - MP residents	201	151	161	198	216	235	171	186	167	137	216	166	183
Total cardholders - MP residents	24,076	24,196	24,302	24,472	24,652	24,875	25,019	25,133	25,193	15,017	15,152	15,272	15,387

*Counts are temporarily unavailable and will be reported when system is available

Location*	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
800 Alma St.	3,398	3,232	3,084	3,730	3,776	3,469	2,970	3,263	2,666	2,680	3,160	2,745	2,915
100 Terminal Ave.*	499	432	402	509	497	464	517	413	315	395	378	346	309

Location*	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Incoming holds - 800 Alma St	4,185	3,788	4,313	4,187	4,070	4,081	4,236	4,128	3,421	3,427	4,154	3,577	4,028
Outgoing holds - 800 Alma St	3,082	2,664	2,756	2,970	2,996	3,074	2,812	3,020	2,386	2,450	2,828	2,636	2,748
Incoming holds - 100 Terminal Ave.*	129	167	161	200	157	182	129	165	131	110	200	110	188
Outgoing holds - 100 Terminal Ave.*	363	303	264	305	266	304	273	357	382	368	440	391	429

Location*	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
800 Alma St.	12,600	13,474	13,367	15,845	13,228	8,539	14,491	14,981	13,211	11,411	12,493	26,966	27,280
100 Terminal Ave. (All-ages library)	4,765	4,574	2,392	2,539	2,585	2,268	2,736	2,480	2,133	2,161	2,560	2,390	2,348
100 Terminal Ave. (Children's library)	-	-	-	-	-	892	686	758	820	703	978	1,001	1,040

Location*	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Total attendance - 800 Alma St.	967	978	1,127	1,112	1,609	1551	985	882	737	761	1,204	903	956
# of programs - 800 Alma St.	34	37	37	42	36	38	37	38	33	31	37	34	33
Total attendance - 100 Terminal Ave.*	240	379	188	355	407	540	373	309	164	216	514	283	392
# of programs - 100 Terminal Ave.*	23	27	25	26	33	26	25	28	29	27	29	28	28
Conference Room - available hours	-	-	-	-	-	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	209
Conference Room - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	-	16.5	21	24	26.3	23	19	18	22
Conference Room - utilization %	-	-	-	-	-	8%	10%	11%	12%	11%	9%	8%	11%
Tutor Room - available hours	-	-	-	-	-	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	209
Tutor Room - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	-	50	58	69.5	51.45	40	56.5	46	45
Tutor Room - utilization %	-	-	-	-	-	23%	26%	32%	24%	18%	26%	21%	22%

*Between Apr – May 2024, Belle Haven Library was relocated from 413 Ivy Dr. to 100 Terminal Ave.

**In February 2025, Belle Haven Library began allowing outgoing hold to other libraries outside Menlo Park

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Table 7. Belle Haven Child Development Center (Preschool)													
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Students ages 3-5	50	54	54	56	47	45	45	47	49	49	50	59	62
Special needs students	-	-	-	-	1	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
English second language students	-	-	-	-	37	34	37	37	38	38	39	48	52
Meals and snacks served	-	-	-	-	3,102	2,024	2,112	2,438	1,865	1,900	1,900	1,500	3276
Total hours of education and care provided*	-	-	-	-	10,082	9,214	8,775	10,540	7,706	7,706	9,263	10,930	12,695

Table 8. Menlo Children's Center (Preschool)													
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Students ages 18 mo - 2 years	-	-	-	-	7	4	5	5	5	1	1	3	3
Students ages 2 - 3 years	-	-	-	-	11	16	17	18	18	17	17	19	19
Students ages 3 - kindergarten	-	-	-	-	23	23	22	22	22	23	24	24	28
Total enrollment	32	44	46	44	43	43	44	45	45	41	42	46	50
Total hours of education and care provided*	-	-	-	-	-	7,830	7,960	8,690	6,332	5,944	6,768	7,092	8,999

Table 9. Menlo Children's Center (After school)													
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Kindergarten	-	-	-	-	-	9	10	10	10	10	11	11	11
Students grades 1st - 5th	-	-	-	-	-	32	33	33	33	33	34	31	31
Summer camp enrollment	-	-	-	-	63	30	0	0		0	0	0	0
Total enrollment	28	29	29	27	63	71	43	43	43	43	45	42	42
Total hours of education and care provided*	-	-	-	-	5,985	3,936.50	2,316	3,142	2,503	1,932.80	2,679	1,642	3,636

Table 10. Belle Haven Youth Center (After school)													
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Transitional kindergarten	-	-	-	-	0	0	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Kindergarten	-	-	-	-	4	4	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Students grades 1st - 5th	-	-	-	-	29	29	56	56	56	56	56	56	56
Summer Camp enrollment	-	-	-	-	52	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total enrollment	58	58	58	122	85	85	67	67	67	67	67	67	67
Total hours of education and care provided*	-	-	-	-	11,720	12,094	4,623	5,662	4,020	3,920	4,858	4,623	5,600

*all hours total for all students

*Menlo Park Senior Center was closed during April and part of May 2024 to relocate from 700 Alma St. to 100 Terminal Ave.
**Season is still in progress and data shown is not yet final.

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Table 11. Menlo Park Senior Center - Meals and transportation (100 Terminal Ave.)

	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Lunches served	956	971	952	*	970	985	1,453	1,150	802	743	924	963	1,083
Grocery boxes distributed	460	460	460	213	460	485	476	511	214	248	532	512	579
Senior shuttle trips	1,504	1,454	1,474	1,234	816	784	702	702	620	616	620	630	662
Special event attendance	55	214	129	100	80	80	90	101	0	87	0	80	0

Table 12. Menlo Park Senior Center - Senior class enrollment (100 Terminal Ave.)

	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Fitness, yoga, martial arts, or health	-	-	-	-	114	114	83	107	107	107	119	120	105
Arts and crafts or technology	-	-	-	-	60	61	66	70	64	64	68	78	65
Dance, music, or performing arts	-	-	-	-	38	38	47	59	45	57	79	77	77
Languages or other literary arts	-	-	-	-	55	55	56	74	63	56	54	63	64
Other	-	-	-	-	11	11	12	9	19	19	5	5	8
Enrollment - non-residents	-	87	-	-	121	121	119	145	138	138	144	150	140
Enrollment - residents	-	132	-	-	157	158	145	174	172	172	181	178	179
Enrollment - Total	-	219	-	-	278	279	264	319	310	310	325	328	319
Total classes offered	-	17	-	-	19	19	19	21	21	21	20	21	19

Table 13. Arrillaga Family Recreation Center - Senior class enrollment (800 Alma St.)

	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Fitness, yoga, martial arts, or health	-	-	-	-	64	64	75	118	118	118	110	106	113
Arts and crafts or technology	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dance, music, or performing arts	-	-	-	-	28	28	50	38	37	37	33	33	35
Languages or other literary arts	-	-	-	-	27	27	33	33	33	33	35	35	35
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4
Enrollment - non-residents	-	27	-	-	27	27	66	69	68	68	65	65	65
Enrollment - residents	-	50	-	-	92	92	92	120	120	120	113	113	122
Enrollment - Total	-	77	-	-	119	119	158	189	188	188	178	178	187
Total classes offered	-	6	-	-	4	4	5	5	5	5	7	7	7

*Menlo Park Senior Center was closed during April and part of May 2024 to relocate from 700 Alma St. to 100 Terminal Ave.
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Table 14. Facility rentals - Arrillaga Family Recreation Center (700 Alma St.)													
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Residents	-	23	-	-	14	9	11	6	8	5	6	11	13
Non-residents	-	62	-	-	19	35	33	22	20	15	23	24	27
Instructor usage (in hours)	-	-	-	-	1,068	1,437	1,576	1,502	1,250	1,433	1,089	1,126	1,200
Cypress Room - available hours	-	-	-	-	363	363	350	361	338	361	364	322	348
Cypress Room - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	88.25	39	39.75	35.25	86.25	94.75	55	59	56.5
Cypress Room - utilization %	-	-	-	-	24%	10%	11%	9%	56%	26%	15%	18%	16%
Juniper Room - available hours	-	-	-	-	363	363	350	361	338	361	364	322	348
Juniper Room - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	168.33	132	262	287	190.33	138	127	122	161.5
Juniper Room - utilization %	-	-	-	-	46%	36%	75%	80%	56%	38%	35%	38%	46%
Maple Room - available hours	-	-	-	-	363	363	350	361	338	361	364	322	348
Maple Room - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	155.75	92	231.75	214.75	190.7	129.5	225	173	322.42
Maple Room - utilization %	-	-	-	-	43%	25%	66%	59%	56%	36%	62%	54%	93%
Oak Room - available hours	-	-	-	-	363	363	350	361	338	361	364	322	348
Oak Room - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	54	11	73.25	61	56.27	27	43	51	53
Oak Room - utilization %	-	-	-	-	15%	3%	21%	16%	16%	7%	12%	16%	15%
Oak Patio - available hours	-	-	-	-	363	363	350	361	338	361	364	322	348
Oak Patio - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	5	0	3	0	0	6.5
Oak Patio - utilization %	-	-	-	-	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Sequoia Room - available hours	-	-	-	-	363	363	332	345	318	345	344	306	332
Sequoia Room - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	61.5	90	22.75	21.67	62.58	51.75	79	50	67.5
Sequoia Room - utilization %	-	-	-	-	17%	25%	7%	6%	20%	14%	23%	16%	20%
Sequoia Patio - available hours	-	-	-	-	363	363	332	345	318	345	364	306	348
Sequoia Patio - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	0	30	20.75	0	5.3	0	5	26	4
Sequoia Patio - utilization %	-	-	-	-	0%	8%	6%	0%	2%	0%	1%	8%	1%
Willow Room - available hours	-	-	-	-	363	363	372	384	358	384	386	342	370
Willow Room - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	138	66	114	138	358	384	386	342	370
Willow Room - utilization %	-	-	-	-	38%	18%	31%	29%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 15. Facility rentals - Arrillaga Family Gymnasium (600 Alma St.)													
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Residents	-	-	-	-	100	32	28	38	40	39	40	40	38
Non-residents	-	-	-	-	20	30	28	11	10	18	7	10	14
Instructor usage (in hours)	-	-	-	-	37	80	80	80	120	24	24	32	32
Court #1 - available hours	-	-	-	-	517	515	500	500	498	517	517	517	515
Court #1 - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	122.5	113	235	357.2	364	355.75	425	482	499.58
Court #1 - utilization %	-	-	-	-	24%	22%	47%	71%	73%	68%	82%	93%	97%
Court #2 - available hours	-	-	-	-	517	515	500	500	498	517	517	517	515
Court #2 - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	128	119	248	147.5	319	453.5	439	482	499.58
Court #2 - utilization %	-	-	-	-	28%	23%	49%	29%	64%	87%	85%	93%	97%

Table 16. Facility rentals - Belle Haven Community Campus (100 Terminal Ave.)													
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Residents	-	34	-	-	4	8	6	6	14	15	6	11	11
Non-Residents	-	0	-	-	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	6	5
Instructor usage (in hours)	-	-	-	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Makerspace - available hours	-	-	-	-	328	248	240	248	240	248	248	224	224
Makerspace - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	70.25	47	55.75	62.75	51.25	53.5	31.5	28	28
Makerspace - utilization %	-	-	-	-	21%	19%	23%	25%	21%	22%	13%	13%	13%
Event Hall - available hours	-	-	-	-	304	364	335	348	325	348	350	310	310
Event Hall - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	220.5	196.5	218	257.5	176.5	218	176.5	181	181
Event Hall - utilization %	-	-	-	-	73%	54%	65%	74%	54%	63%	50%	58%	58%
Movement Studio - available hours	-	-	-	-	304	364	364	378	350	378	378	336	336
Movement Studio - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	80	39	23	28.75	27.25	16.5	11	11	11
Movement Studio - utilization %	-	-	-	-	26%	11%	6%	8%	8%	4%	3%	3%	3%
Flex Classroom - available hours	-	-	-	-	304	364	364	378	350	378	378	336	336
Flex Classroom - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	17	11.5	25	21	24.5	17.5	27.5	27	27
Flex Classroom - utilization %	-	-	-	-	6%	3%	7%	6%	7%	5%	7%	8%	13%
Gymnasium - available hours	-	-	-	-	-	378	289	291	303	277.5	303	306	268
Gymnasium - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	-	209	203	231	239.5	213.5	223	304.5	268
Gymnasium - utilization %	-	-	-	-	-	81%	70%	79%	79%	77%	73%	101%	100%

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Table 17. Class enrollment - Arrillaga Recreation Center (800 Alma St.)

	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Fitness, yoga, martial arts, or health	-	-	-	-	197	101	296	305	316	312	284	296	296
Arts and crafts or technology	-	-	-	-	54	47	7	19	19	19	12	12	12
Dance, music, or performing arts	-	-	-	-	130	236	337	348	348	272	304	314	307
Language and literary arts	-	-	-	-	27	27	58	40	40	33	35	35	35
Other	-	-	-	-	173	363	59	111	70	104	55	55	51
Enrollment - non-residents	-	161	-	-	175	307	188	217	204	176	165	175	185
Enrollment - residents	-	474	-	-	506	467	569	606	589	564	525	537	516
Enrollment - Total	-	635	-	-	681	774	757	823	793	740	690	712	701
Total classes offered	-	59	-	-	68	63	62	78	73	65	73	73	74
# of instructors	-	22	-	-	33	33	28	32	31	32	28	26	26

Table 18. Class enrollment - Arrillaga Family Gymnasium (700 Alma St.)

	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Enrollment - Basketball	-	-	-	-	6	27	35	31	99	33	47	81	83
Enrollment - Volleyball	-	-	-	-	72	102	82	81	81	81	81	87	88
Enrollment - Youth mixed activity sports camp	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enrollment - non-residents	-	112	-	-	56	74	59	27	98	98	77	95	97
Enrollment - residents	-	96	-	-	16	55	58	85	82	50	51	73	74
Enrollment - Total	-	208	-	-	78	129	117	112	180	64	128	168	171
Total classes offered	-	14	-	-	5	7	0	7	15	5	5	7	8
# of instructors	-	8	-	-	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Drop-in basketball visits	-	596	-	-	206	171	194	190	525	233	270	404	263
Drop-in volleyball visits	-	844	-	-	394	287	415	433	646	412	436	626	358
Leagues – individual registrations	-	-	-	-	56	0	14	0	0	3	3	0	0
Leagues – team registrations	-	35	-	-	14	0	31	50	128	10	0	23	3

Table 19. Class enrollment - Belle Haven Community Campus (100 Terminal Ave.)

	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Fitness, yoga, and health	-	-	-	-	80	80	66	104	104	105	69	75	75
Arts and crafts and technology	-	-	-	-	41	41	41	30	30	30	71	71	71
Dance, music, or performing arts	-	-	-	-	15	15	47	40	40	40	18	12	12
Language and literary arts	-	-	-	-	13	13	31	35	36	36	24	24	24
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	0.07	8	6	6	6
Enrollment - non-residents	-	20	-	-	10	10	16	17	17	17	14	16	16
Enrollment - residents	-	145	-	-	139	139	169	201	207	208	174	186	186
Enrollment - Total	-	165	-	-	149	149	185	218	224	225	188	202	202
Total classes offered	-	19	-	-	15	15	22	22	23	23	24	24	24
# of instructors	-	9	-	-	9	9	11	12	13	13	13	13	13
Drop-in basketball visits	-	658	-	-	29*	167	192	215	252	272	272	160	233
Drop-in volleyball visits	-	13	-	-	*	10	50	65	6	31	31	16	8
Drop-in Fitness Center	-	1697	-	-	542	720	659	620	522	550	364	572	541

Table 20. Class enrollment - Arrillaga Family Gymnastics Center (501 Laurel St.)

	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Gymnastics enrollment	-	-	-	-	898	887	1,245	1,251	1,219	1,182	130 (1 week)	242 (3 weeks)	1,352
Aerial Silks enrollment	-	-	-	-	49	43	58	59	55	55	0	0	53
Enrollment - non-residents	-	368	-	-	287	282	342	343	359	293	*	*	338
Enrollment - residents	-	942	-	-	628	605	815	811	859	944	*	*	944
Enrollment - Total	-	1,310	-	-	929	1,125	1,303	1,310	1,273	1,237	130	242	1,405
Total classes offered	-	120	-	-	119	119	120	120	120	120	*	*	120
# of instructors	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	2

*Gymnastics was closed due to flooding from Jan - Feb. 22, 2026

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Location	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Burgess Park picnic area - available hours	-	-	-	-	3,472	2,976	2,400	2,976	3,300	2,976	2,976	3,136	*
Burgess Park picnic area - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	74.5	97	195	148	86	14.5	38	35	*
Burgess Park picnic area - utilization %	-	-	-	-	2%	3%	8%	1%	3%	1%	1%	1%	*
Nealon Park picnic area - available hours	-	-	-	-	2,542	1,860	2,100	2,604	2,880	2,604	2,604	2,352	*
Nealon Park picnic area - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	90	108	130	78	56	20	31	44	*
Nealon Park picnic area - utilization %	-	-	-	-	4%	6%	6%	3%	2%	1%	1%	1%	*

Location	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Bedwell-Bayfront Park - available hours	-	-	-	-	434	434	420	434	420	434	434	410	*
Bedwell-Bayfront Park - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	12	12	60	36	12	0	12	0	*
Bedwell-Bayfront Park - utilization %	-	-	-	-	0.0276	0.03	14%	8%	3%	0%	3%	0%	*
Sharon Park - available hours	-	-	-	-	434	434	420	372	420	420	420	410	*
Sharon Park - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	*
Sharon Park - utilization %	-	-	-	-	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	*

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Table 23. Athletic Field Rentals													
Location	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Burgess Park - available hours	-	-	-	-	4,142	3,456	2,520	2,604	2,880	2,604	2,604	2,688	*
Burgess Park - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	2,976	1,206	561	540	195	1	69	299	*
Burgess Park - utilization %	-	-	-	-	72%	35%	22%	21%	7%	0%	3%	11%	*
Hillview School - available hours	-	-	-	-	744	744	720	744	720	744	744	672	*
Hillview School - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	478.5	202	132	153	142	85	79	107	*
Hillview School - utilization %	-	-	-	-	64%	27%	18%	20%	20%	11%	11%	16%	*
Jack Lyle Park - available hours	-	-	-	-	Closed	744	720	744	720	744	744	672	*
Jack Lyle Park - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	Closed	197	246	182	92	10.5	8	66	*
Jack Lyle Park - utilization %	-	-	-	-	Closed	26%	34%	24%	13%	1%	1%	10%	*
Kelly Park - available hours	-	-	-	-	868	868	840	868	840	868	868	784	*
Kelly Park - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	243	240	321	310	236	158	206	185	*
Kelly Park - utilization %	-	-	-	-	28%	28%	38%	36%	28%	18%	24%	23%	*
La Entrada School - available hours	-	-	-	-	Closed	3,038	2,160	2,232	2,160	2,232	2,232	2,016	*
La Entrada School - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	Closed	240	31.5	31.5	12	0	0	26	*
La Entrada School - utilization %	-	-	-	-	Closed	8%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	*
Nealon Park - available hours	-	-	-	-	Closed	1,302	840	868	420	434	434	392	*
Nealon Park - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	Closed	73	135	151.25	72	50.5	62.5	41	*
Nealon Park - utilization %	-	-	-	-	Closed	6%	2%	17%	12%	12%	14%	10%	*
Oak Knoll School - available hours	-	-	-	-	Closed	744	360	372	420	434	434	336	*
Oak Knoll School - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	Closed	106	27	24	0	0	0	16	*
Oak Knoll School - utilization %	-	-	-	-	Closed	14%	7%	6%	0%	0%	0%	4%	*
Willow Oaks Park - available hours	-	-	-	-	Closed	1,488	1,440	1,488	1,440	1,488	1,488	1,344	*
Willow Oaks Park - reserved hours	-	-	-	-	Closed	239	120	110	29	18	20	84	*
Willow Oaks Park - utilization %	-	-	-	-	Closed	16%	8%	7%	2%	1%	1%	6%	*
Total available hours	-	-	-	-	5,754	12,384	9,600	7,947	9,600	9,548	9,548	8,904	*
Total reserved hours	-	1,575	-	-	3,698	2,503	1,573	1,501	778	323	525	824	*
Total field utilization %	-	-	-	-	64%	20%	16%	19%	8%	3%	5%	9%	*

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Table 24. Tennis and Pickleball Court Rentals													
Location	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Burgess Park - Tennis Court #1 available hours	-	-	-	-	434	434	420	434	420	434	434	392	*
Burgess Park - Tennis Court #1 reserved hours	-	-	-	-	174	184	205	181	149	103	163	141	*
Burgess Park - Tennis Court #1 utilization %	-	-	-	-	40%	42%	48%	42%	35%	24%	38%	35%	*
Kelly Park - Pickleball Court #1 available hours	-	-	-	-	434	434	420	434	420	434	434	392	*
Kelly Park - Pickleball Court #1 reserved hours	-	-	-	-	21	45	47	48	41	16	30	12	*
Kelly Park - Pickleball Court #1 utilization %	-	-	-	-	5%	10%	11%	10%	10%	4%	6%	3%	*
Kelly Pickleball Court #2 available hours	-	-	-	-	434	434	420	434	420	434	434	392	*
Kelly Pickleball Court #2 reserved hours	-	-	-	-	5	21	14	27	11	10	14	5	*
Kelly Park - Pickleball Court #2 utilization %	-	-	-	-	1%	5%	3%	6%	2%	2%	2%	1%	*
Kelly Park - Tennis Court #1 available hours	-	-	-	-	434	434	420	434	420	434	434	392	*
Kelly Park - Tennis Court #1 reserved hours	-	-	-	-	51	77	133	143	117	109	128	94	*
Kelly Park - Tennis Court #1 utilization %	-	-	-	-	11%	18%	32%	33%	28%	25%	38%	24%	*
Nealon Park - Tennis Court #1 available hours	-	-	-	-	434	434	420	434	420	434	434	392	*
Nealon Park - Tennis Court #1 reserved hours	-	-	-	-	172	161	204	220	197	151	197	186	*
Nealon Park - Tennis Court #1 utilization %	-	-	-	-	40%	37%	49%	50%	42%	35%	45%	47%	*
Nealon Park - Tennis Court #2 available hours	-	-	-	-	434	434	420	434	420	434	434	392	*
Nealon Park - Tennis Court #2 reserved hours	-	-	-	-	164	163	193	173	150	89	135	166	*
Nealon Park - Tennis Court #2 utilization %	-	-	-	-	38%	38%	46%	40%	36%	21%	31%	42%	*
Willow Oaks - Tennis Court #3 available hours	-	-	-	-	434	434	420	434	420	434	434	392	*
Willow Oaks - Tennis Court #3 reserved hours	-	-	-	-	120.75	112	192	170	148	115.75	136.75	152	*
Willow Oaks - Tennis Court #3 utilization %	-	-	-	-	28%	26%	46%	39%	35%	27%	31%	38%	*
Willow Oaks - Tennis Court #4 available hours	-	-	-	-	434	434	420	434	420	434	434	392	*
Willow Oaks - Tennis Court #4 reserved hours	-	-	-	-	99	142	194	170	150	131	174	132	*
Willow Oaks - Tennis Court #4 utilization %	-	-	-	-	23%	33%	46%	39%	36%	30%	40%	33%	*

Table 25. Tennis and Pickleball Classes													
Location	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Youth tennis enrollment	-	-	-	-	21	23	47	48	67	63	86	53	*
Adult tennis enrollment	-	-	-	-	6	7	24	28	31	23	23	21	*
Tennis enrollment - resident					21	27	63	67	82	73	73	63	*
Tennis enrollment - non-resident						6	3	8	9	16	13	13	*
Tennis enrollment total						27	30	72	76	98	86	86	*

*Outdoor recreation information is temporarily unavailable due to an error in the reporting software. A fix is being worked on.

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Table 26. Recreation client accounts													
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
New recreation client accounts	991	972	505	501	459	937	502	347	402	806	488	416	1,338
Total recreation client accounts	15,309	16,281	16,786	17,287	17,743	18,680	19,182	19,529	19,931	20,737	21,225	21,641	22,979
Hyperlocal client accounts	1,482	1,576	1,613	1,682	1,695	1,848	1,899	1,962	2,005	2,072	2,137	2,194	2,288

Table 27. Web page views													
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
/Library	4,389	3,886	3,921	4,390	4,247	4,332	3,892	3,914	3,995	3,906	4,708	3,797	3,803
/ActivityGuide	7,141	3,937	7,508	4,872	5,016	10,099	3,771	2,881	4,043	6,613	4,760	5,119	8,984

Table 28. Newsletter engagement													
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	*May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
Newsletters sent	5	4	5	4	4	5	4	4	4	3	4	4	4
Average recipients per newsletter	25,088	24,889	23,123	24,602	24,475	24,346	27,815	28,839	28,550	28,388	28,195	28,031	29,114
Total recipients (excludes bounces, etc.)	117,826	93,190	108,779	91,739	91,030	121,730	111,261	106,618	114,199	85,166	104,250	103,589	116,457
Total newsletter clicks	2,942	1,586	2,874	2,389	2,587	3,481	4,045	3,058	3,058	3,226	4,975	5,323	5,558
Total newsletter unique clicks	1,765	926	1,519	1,200	1,346	1,720	1,437	1,374	1,501	1,041	1,653	1,628	2,075
Total newsletter opens	103,780	76,786	79,229	69,913	68,109	86,160	82,795	80,650	81,663	67,170	81,207	80,829	84,643
Total unique opens	62,139	47,124	51,316	44,582	43,747	55,666	52,733	52,661	52,458	41,737	51,613	51,825	53,421
% open rate (monthly average)	83%	77%	69%	71%	70%	71%	74%	70%	72%	79%	72%	72%	73%
% unique opens rate (monthly average)	50%	47%	44%	45%	45%	46%	47%	46%	46%	49%	46%	46%	46%
Unsubscribes Monthly Total	179	147	170	139	128	207	296	242	209	148	212	118	152
% Unsubscribes - Monthly Average	0.14%	0.15%	0.15%	0.14%	0.13%	0.17%	0.25%	0.21%	0.19%	0.17%	0.19%	0.11%	0.16%
Email Bounces - Monthly Total	2,567	2,086	2,564	2,192	2,172	2,760	2,777	2,740	2,619	1,938	2,552	2,549	2,735

*On May 10, 2025 a server error caused a newsletter to fail to send to approximately 8,920 subscribers

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Table 29. Large-scale community event attendance													
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2025	May 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2025	Aug. 2025	Sep. 2025	Oct. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Feb. 2026	Mar. 2026
College and Career Fair	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black Liberation Month Celebration	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	310	-
Community Resource Fair	180	-	180	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	225
Egg Hunt/Spring Fest	-	2200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BHCC Grand Opening	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Juneteenth Celebration	-	-	-	310	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4th of July Parade and Celebration	-	-	-	-	2200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summer Concert – Fremont Park	-	-	-	-	249	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summer Concert – Fremont Park	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summer Concert – Fremont Park	-	-	-	-	302	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summer Concert – Fremont Park	-	-	-	-	365	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summer Concert – Fremont Park	-	-	-	-	-	275	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summer Concert – Fremont Park	-	-	-	-	-	750	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summer Concert – Karl E. Clark Park	-	-	-	-	120	130	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summer Concert – Kelly Park	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summer Concert – Kelly Park	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trunk-or-Treat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	310	-	-	-	-	-
Halloween Parade and Festival	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2000	-	-	-	-	-
Pumpkin Splash	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	160	-	-	-	-	-
Light Up the Season	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	925	-	-	-
Photos with Santa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	463	-	-	-



STAFF REPORT

Library Commission

Meeting Date:

4/20/2026

Staff Report Number:

LC-2026-018

Informational Item:

Update on City of Menlo Park fiscal year 2026-27 budget process and timeline

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Library Commission review this informational report containing updates about the City of Menlo Park fiscal year 2026-27 budget process and timeline.

Policy Issues

Menlo Park Municipal Code §2.08.080 (8) provides that the city manager must “prepare and submit to the City Council the annual budget.” The city manager’s proposed budget is built on foundational budget principles set by the City Council. The City is required to adopt its budget before July 1 of each year.

Background

On February 24, the City Council amended the fiscal year 2025-26 budget (Attachment A).

On March 21, the City Council held a priority-setting workshop to help set the stage for budget development. The priorities of the City Council inform the development of the City’s fiscal year 2026-27 budget.

On April 14, the City Council approved its fiscal year 2026-27 budget principles and budget development timeline.

Analysis

City of Menlo Park budget development timeline

The following timeline outlines approximate dates for City Council actions leading up to the planned adoption of the fiscal year 2026-27 budget. Since the informational report delivered to the Library Commission on February 23, 2026 (Attachment B), staff have added additional updates related to the adoption of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Updates are marked with an asterisk (*) in the chart below.

Table 1: Fiscal year 2026-27 budget development calendar	
Date	Description
Feb. 24	City Council amends fiscal year 2025-26 budget
March 21	City Council priority setting workshop
March 24	Master fee schedule and cost of services study session
April 14	City Council reviews and approves budget principles
April 14	Update on fiscal year 2025-26 CIP projects and fiscal year 2026-30 CIP
April 13 (week of)	Department budget meetings with City Manager
April 28*	Master fee schedule public hearing and adoption
May 12 (tentative)*	Provide direction on Capital Improvement Plan
May 20	Budget portal open to public (tentative)
May 28 or June 2	Public budget workshop (tentative)
June 9*	Public hearing on budget and capital Improvement Plan
June 23*	Budget adoption

The City of Menlo Park’s proposed operating budget is scheduled to be posted to the public budget portal on May 20 (Attachment C). City departments, including Library and Community Services (LCS) are preparing budget proposals for the city manager’s initial review tentatively during the week of April 13. The LC and Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) are tentatively scheduled to receive a summary presentation of the LCS proposed budget in May. City Council is tentatively scheduled to hold a public budget workshop on May 28, followed by a public hearing on the budget and the CIP on June 9, in advance of budget and CIP adoption tentatively on June 23.

Library Commission budget updates

On March 16, the LC received updates on the city’s budget process and timeline, and specific information on the library portion of the LCS budget (Attachment D).

City Council priority setting workshop

The City Council held their annual priority setting workshop on March 21 (Attachment E). A final report on the workshop is scheduled to be published on April 28.

Impact on City Resources

As an advisory body to the City Council, the LC does not authorize budgets or resource allocations. The authority to allocate resources such as City budgets rests solely with the City Council.

Environmental Review

This informational item is not a project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §§ 15378 and 15061(b)(3) as it will not result in any direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

Public Notice

Public notification was achieved by posting the agenda, with the agenda items being listed, at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Attachments

- A. Hyperlink. February 24, 2026, City Council agenda Staff Report # 26-028-CC.
<https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/2/agendas-and-minutes/city-council/2026-meetings/20260224/i3-20260224-cc-fy-2025-26-budget-amend.pdf>
- B. Hyperlink. February 23, 2026, Library Commission agenda Staff Report # LC-2026-008.
<https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2026-meetings/agendas/20260223-lc-agenda-packet.pdf>
- C. Hyperlink. City budget webpage. menlopark.gov/budget
- D. Hyperlink. March 16, 2026, Library Commission agenda Staff Report #LC-2026-013.
https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/library-commission/2026-meetings/agendas/20260316_library-commission-agenda-packet.pdf
- E. Hyperlink. March 21, 2026, City Council agenda Staff report # 26-038-CC.
<https://www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/3/agendas-and-minutes/city-council/2026-meetings/20260321/20260321-city-council-special-agenda-priorities.pdf>

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LIBRARY COMMISSION
TENTATIVE AGENDA SCHEDULE
April 20, 2026

MEETING DATE*	TENTATIVE AGENDA TOPICS**
January 26, 2026 Fourth Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ad-hoc subcommittee on “Library of the Future” report out District 1 library engagement subcommittee update Updates on LC work plan item 5
February 23, 2026 Fourth Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ad-hoc subcommittee on “Library of the Future” report out District 1 library engagement subcommittee update City budget timeline
March 16, 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ad-hoc subcommittee updates on “Library of the Future” and near-term improvements Ad-hoc subcommittee District 1 library outreach report out Library and Community Services department financial overview – Library City of Menlo Park fiscal year 2026-27 budget process and timeline
April 20, 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commission Annual Attendance Report LC work plan prior year progress report Ad-hoc subcommittee District 1 library outreach report out One Book, One Coast program presentation City of Menlo Park fiscal year 2026-27 budget process and timeline LCS staffing updates
May 18, 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City of Menlo Park fiscal year 2026-27 budget process and timeline New LC members appointed by City Council Select new Chair and Vice Chair
June 15, 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Chair begins term Onboarding new LC members Study session: LC work plan for coming year
July 20, 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Study session: Update LC work plan for coming year
August 17, 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair gives City Council LC prior year work plan progress report Recommend LC work plan for coming year
September 21, 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Council approval of LC work plan for coming year
October 19, 2026	
November 16, 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approve schedule of LC meetings for following calendar year
December 21, 2026 (Joint meeting w/ PRC) At BHCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year in review Open house / social
Standing/ recurring agenda items (typically every meeting)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approve previous meeting’s minutes Department statistics Tentative agenda calendar Updates from staff Commissioner reports
Unscheduled future items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation: Library collection development Discussion: Operations and Strategic Planning

*Library Commission meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the third Monday of the month unless otherwise specified.

** All dates and topics are tentative and subject to change

***Items that recur annually are in bold and in green font (do not remove)