



Resolution

EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO MATTHEW RASCHKE UPON HIS RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Matthew (Matt) Raschke began his career with the City of Palo Alto on November 29, 1999 and has provided exemplary service throughout his 24-year tenure; and

WHEREAS, Matt Raschke has enthusiastically served the citizens of Palo Alto for more than two decades working in the Public Works Department in the Storm Drain group, the Operations Technical Services Section and most recently managing the Structures and Grounds workgroup in Public Works Engineering; and

WHEREAS, Matt managed multiple studies of the former Los Altos Treatment Plant site and helped obtain environmental closure for a significant portion of the site and assisted with the transfer of the Airport asset ownership and operations from Santa Clara County to the City of Palo Alto; and

WHEREAS, Matt managed the development of the final landfill closure and post closure maintenance plans and coordinated the relocation of the landfill flare to a site on the Regional Water Quality Control Plant where the methane was also used to help fuel the sludge incinerator until it was decommissioned; and

WHEREAS, Matt managed the design and construction of many facility improvement projects including the renovation and expansion of the Rinconada Library, the City Hall lobby renovation and the creation of the new Community Meeting and Council Conference Rooms, the renovation of the Zero Waste and Water-Gas-Wastewater Offices in MSC Building C and renovations of floors 3, 4 and 5 in City Hall, and oversaw projects to improve the HVAC and electrical systems at the Children's Theatre, Community Theatre, and Lucie Stern Community Center; and

WHEREAS, Matt was the Project Manager for four of the 2014 Council Infrastructure Plan projects, including the design and construction of Fire Station #3, the California Avenue Parking Structure and the Public Safety Building; as well as managing the design of Fire Station #4; and

WHEREAS, Matt Raschke has mentored and trained many new engineers during his career on City standards, project management and delivery, and the importance of integrity and honesty in public service; and

WHEREAS, Matt Raschke is recognized by his peers and City staff for being professional, knowledgeable, dependable and a team player.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Palo Alto hereby gratefully records and extends its sincere appreciation to Matthew Raschke for his dedication and excellent service rendered to the City.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: December 18, 2023

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Clerk

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Manager

City Attorney