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## City Council Staff Report

**Report Type: CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Lead Department: City Clerk**

**Meeting Date: December 9, 2024**

Report #:2412-3852

### **TITLE**

Adoption of a Resolution Accepting the Statement of Votes and Certificate of Election Results and Declaring the Results of the Consolidated Municipal Election Held on November 5, 2024; and Adoption of an Ordinance Approved by the Voters (Measure D) to Undedicate 0.33 Acres of El Camino Park; CEQA status - the Ordinance is exempt under Pub. Res. Code § 21080(b)(12).

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the City Council adopt (1) a resolution certifying the results of the election and (2) an ordinance approved by the voters (Measure D) to undedicate 0.33 acres of El Camino Park. The Clerk will transmit the Council Resolution and Ordinance to the Secretary of State as required by State law.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Attachment A is the Ordinance amending the area dedicated as El Camino Park to discontinue the park use of approximately 0.33 Acres, which was approved by the voters in the November 5, 2024 election. The City Charter requires that the Council formally adopt the ordinance after voter approval<sup>1</sup> and only one reading is required before the ordinance becomes effective.<sup>2</sup>

Attachment B is the proposed Resolution canvassing the results of the November 5, 2024 Consolidated Municipal Election for the purpose of electing four councilmembers and voting on one proposed ballot measure, Measure D. The County Election Department canvassed the returns of the election as required by law and has certified the vote results for the City of Palo Alto as follows:

<b>CANDIDATE</b>	<b>TOTAL VOTES</b>	<b>%</b>
Greer Stone	14,717	15.55
George Lu	13,520	14.28
Pat Burt	12,925	13.65
Keith Reckdahl	11,561	12.21

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<sup>1</sup> See Govt. Code section 38451 as referenced in Appendix A to the City Charter.

<sup>2</sup> See PAMC sections 2.04.270(b) and 2.04.330.

Doria Summa	11,551	12.20
Katie Causey	10,887	11.50
Cari Templeton	9,166	9.68
Anne W. Cribbs	7,462	7.88
Henry Etzkowitz	2,869	3.03
<b>Total Votes</b>	<b>94,658</b>	

**MEASURE D – DISCONTINUATION OF THE USE OF A PORTION OF PARK LAND AT EL CAMINO PARK**

	<b>TOTAL VOTES</b>	<b>%</b>
Yes	22,806	73.77
No	8,107	26.23
<b>Total Votes</b>	<b>30,913</b>	

The total number of registered voters in the City was 43,572; the total number of ballots including both mail-in ballots cast was 34,933. Results from each precinct are attached to the Resolution in Attachment B. According to the ROV, voters who do not know their precinct are assigned to precinct 0002001, which is why there are more votes cast than registered voters.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Ordinance of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Amending the Area Dedicated as El Camino Park to Discontinue the Park Use of Approximately 0.33 Acres

Attachment B – Resolution Declaring the Results of the November 5, 2024 Election

**APPROVED BY:**

Mahealani Ah Yun, City Clerk