



**SPECIAL JOINT MEETING WITH MENLO PARK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
MINUTES**

**Date:** 3/5/2019  
**Time:** 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
**City Council Chambers**  
**701 Laurel St., Menlo Park, CA 94025**

**5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. Special Study Session (City Council Chambers)**

**A. Call to Order**

Mayor Mueller called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m.

**B. Roll Call**

Present: Combs, Nash, Taylor, Mueller  
Absent: Carlton  
Staff: City Manager Starla Jerome-Robinson, City Clerk Judi A. Herren

**C. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Mueller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**D. Regular Business**

**D1. Response time (Attachment)**

Menlo Park Fire Protection District (MPFPD) Chief Harold Schapelhouman gave the presentation.

The City Council discussed and had a consensus to create and appoint liaisons to the MPFPD.

- Pamela Jones spoke in support of the joint meeting and requested that residents be involved in the collaboration between the City Council and MPFPD.
- Katie Behroozi commented that measures used to improve response time could also lead to more traffic collisions.

**D2. Community notification system (Attachment)**

Menlo Park Fire Protection District (MPFPD) Chief Harold Schapelhouman gave the presentation.

The City Council expressed support for the long range acoustic devices (LRAD). The MPFPD offered to perform a demonstration at a later date.

**D3. Community engagement**

There was discussion around the CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) program and the need to engage the Menlo Park Police Department.

- Remona Murray spoke in support of CERT and encouraged the City Council to communicate with the CERT board.

The City Council discussed having liaisons work with the CERT board and return to both bodies with updates.

D4. Improvements for safety and emergency access at Middlefield Road and Linfield Drive near Station 1 (Attachment)

Menlo Park Fire Protection District (MPFPD) Chief Harold Schapelhouman gave the presentation.

The City Council agreed to have the liaisons bring this back to the City Council.

D5. Speed round of topics of interest

The City Council and MPFPD Board agreed the meeting was productive and supported the common goals and objectives of both bodies. Mayor Pro Tem Taylor encouraged others to join CERT.

**E. Adjournment**

Mayor Mueller adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Judi A. Herren, City Clerk

These minutes were approved at the City Council meeting of April 9, 2019.