



Date: November 10, 2020

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Executive Assistant to the Mayor and City Council

Subject: Adjournment of the November 10, 2020 City Council Meeting

Please adjourn the November 10, 2020 City Council meeting in memory of the following individuals:

Carolyn Seeger, Former Senior Advisory Commissioner and Long-Term Santa Clara Resident

- Carolyn McGorty Seeger was born in Concord, Massachusetts on May 6, 1947, to parents John Michael McGorty and Betty Ann Doherty.
- She flourished as an academic and leader in her hometown, Hudson, Massachusetts, and became a dental assistant after attending Forsyth Dental College in Cambridge, Massachusetts. She moved to California in 1969.
- Carolyn was an enthusiastic and loving mother, life partner, family member, and entrepreneur.
- Her success in the community can be measured by the hundreds of people whom she employed over the course of 50 years as a woman in business, a home improvement professional, an interior designer, and as a specialty, licensed building contractor.
- Since 2017, Carolyn served on the Senior Advisory Commission. She was an avid swimmer at the Santa Clara Senior Center as well as a passionate advocate for transportation for seniors.
- Carolyn Seeger passed away on October 25, 2020.
- Carolyn Seeger is survived by her son, Christopher Ryan Seeger; her life partner, Robert Carlson, and his 3 daughters, Monica, Michelle and Melissa, and 12 grandchildren whom she dearly loved.
- She is also survived by her brother Michael John McGorty and her cousins Ryan and Megan McGorty.

Cheri Margret Squires, 60-year resident of Santa Clara

- Cheri Margret Squires was born on February 2, 1962 in Lindsay, California to Margret (Miki) Mary Sailner Squires and Roland Reed Squires. Cheri was the youngest of four children. She had three older brothers: Roland R. Junior, Ronald, and Rick.
- The family moved to Santa Clara when Cheri was less than a year old. She attended Washington Elementary, Wilson Junior High School, and Buscher High School (now Santa Clara High School).

- She was involved in many civic activities such as Job's Daughters, Eastern Star, and her high school swim team.
- It was as a teenager that Cheri had her first political experience in these very chambers where she and her mother spoke at City Hall arguing to keep the War Memorial Poll open during the summer.
- Cheri worked at many local companies including IBM, Rolm (where she was an engineer), Spectro Physics, Siemens, Toys R Us, Mervyns, Crocs; and most recently at Saskia Feain Real Estate Services, and as a crossing guard at Miliken Elementary.
- She poured her heart and soul into every job she had.
- Cheri's daughter Nicole was the center of her life. She was so proud to be a Junior Theater Mom and of Nicole's beautiful singing voice. She supported her in all her theater endeavors.
- Cheri met the other love of her life Michael Jones, an engineer from Colorado, and they were married January 1, 1999, at Rosarito Beach in Baja California, Mexico
- Cheri was involved in family history research and was especially interested in her grandmother, who was part Cherokee.
- Cheri and Michael moved last year to Boulder Creek where they bought their retirement home.
- When the CZ Lightning Complex Fires occurred this summer, they had only ten minutes' notice to evacuate.
- Their home was threatened by the fires from three directions but was miraculously spared.
- Plans were being made to move back to their home when Cheri suddenly passed away on October 30, 2020.
- She will be greatly missed by her family and friends, of whom there are many because she was always so nice and had a kind word for everyone.