



Date: January 12, 2021
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Executive Assistant to the Mayor and City Council
Subject: Adjournment of the January 12, 2021 City Council and Stadium Authority Meeting

Please adjourn the January 12, 2021 City Council and Stadium Authority meeting in memory of the following individuals:

Paul Dante Becker, Former City Photographer

- Paul Becker was born on May 16, 1947 in Mississippi. Paul spent his youth in Argentina, Guatemala and El Salvador — experiences that instilled love of family, lifelong loyal friendships and a spirit of adventure.
- After a junior year at Willow Glen High School in San Jose, Paul graduated from Academia Arguello in Cordoba, Argentina and then attended Marietta College in Ohio. Paul's years at Marietta not only afforded him with the opportunity to develop his passion for photography, but also to meet the love of his life, Eileen Newman.
- After marriage and graduation, they moved near Paul's family in San Luis Obispo and then later Santa Barbara where Paul completed a Bachelor of Arts degree from the Brooks Institute of Photography.
- An opportunity to be Marriott's Great America's photographer drew Paul to San Jose in 1978 where he captured countless smiles and memorable moments at the park.
- Following Great America, Paul continued as a professional photographer of weddings, commercial products, portraits, real estate, special events and also taught photography at Evergreen Valley College. Paul was particularly proud of his long-standing relationship with the City of Santa Clara.
- He documented city events including the holiday decorations contests, the photos for city's annual calendar, the city's employee service award luncheons, Sister Cities events, the Santa Clara Art and Wine Festival, and July 4th All-City Picnic to name just a few.
- Paul formed many meaningful relationships with employees throughout different city departments in his role as photographer. Paul would always take the time to stop and get to know staff by sharing his travel stories. He fostered relationships whenever he photographed ceremonies and events.
- Paul passed away peacefully on December 14, 2020, surrounded by his family. He will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 50 years, Eileen, daughter Cathy Becker, son John Becker, sisters Monica Becker (Paul) and Leslie Crocker (Tim), nieces, cousins and many other family members and dear friends.
- Paul was preceded in passing by his parents Paul and Vivian Becker, in-laws Jack and Loretta Newman and sister-in-law Loretta "Betty" Dornisch.

- All who knew Paul were touched by his loving heart, gracious generosity, and incredible ability to see the best in everyone. He will be truly missed.

Anne Mary Biagini, mother of Planning Commissioner Nancy Biagini

- Anne Mary Biagini was born on August 26, 1931, to immigrant parents Onorina and Battista Grimaldi in San Jose, California. She was baptized and attended elementary school at Saint Leo's the Great Parish. She completed her education at Notre Dame High School.
- At the age of 17, Anne met Emo Biagini as the two prepared to celebrate their cousins' wedding. They fell in love and would later marry at Holy Family Church in October 1950. Shortly thereafter, they settled for the rest of their lives in Santa Clara.
- In the early years of their marriage, Anne spent long hours working with her husband Emo at their grocery store – the Sunnyway Super Market in Santa Clara. During their 56 years of marriage, they were blessed with six children. But few things in life made her smile more than her seven grandchildren.
- Anne lived her life like the inveterate Italian woman she was – laughing, crying and loving with reckless abandon. She always stressed the importance of education with her progeny and they all knew to bring home good grades OR ELSE.
- In the spirit of helping those in need, Anne volunteered with the American Cancer Society, shuttling patients to their chemo appointments. Intellectually curious, she absorbed history and culture through travel, food, art and personal connections with family and friends across the globe.
- Anne loved hosting her foreign exchange students from Italy and Japan, remaining a second Mom to them all for the rest of her life. She traveled the world with Emo, staying with family in Italy and visiting Europe, the Middle East, Asia, South America, even Antarctica.
- A dedicated quilter, Anne was also known for her collection of fabrics. She knew the story of every swatch, pattern, block and regional style and studied the stories of the strong women behind this art form. Her grandkids knew to wear shoes in her sewing room.
- Anne Mary Biagini passed away peacefully on January 7, 2021, after a seven-year battle with Alzheimer's
- She was predeceased by her parents, her husband of 56 years, Emo Biagini, and her brother, John Grimaldi. She is survived by her sister Dorothy George and her six children: Tom, Nancy, Paul, Teresa, Mark and Margaret. She is also survived by her seven grandchildren: Frank Morgan, Nina and Julia Biagini, Jacob and Chiara Biagini, and Madeleine and Charlotte Matthews
- In light of current events, a celebration of life will occur at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations to the Alzheimer's Organization (alz.org) or to the 'Emo & Anne Biagini Scholarship Fund' at Downtown College Prep.
- Sogni d'oro*, (sweet dreams) Mamma e Nonna.

William Rickabaugh, Former Santa Clara Police Officer killed in the line of duty on January 11, 1966

- Yesterday - January 11, 2021 - was the 54th anniversary of the death of Santa Clara Police Officer William Rickabaugh.
- Officer Rickabaugh had observed two boys trespassing and riding a motorcycle on what is now the San Tomas Expressway, near Monroe Street and Los Padres Boulevard.
- Officer Rickabaugh rode his motorcycle up a dirt ramp and collided with a metal cable that had been stretched between two posts at a construction zone for the San Tomas Freeway. The cable impacted his chest.
- A citizen began CPR on Officer Rickabaugh, who was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead. Officer Rickabaugh was a U.S. Navy veteran and is buried in Golden Gate National Cemetery. He was 28 years old and left behind a wife and two children.
- Let's take a moment to reflect on this loss before moving to adjourn tonight's meeting.