

MINUTES of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held in the Council Chambers, Civic Center, 35 Cajon Street, on January 17, 2017, at 5:00 P.M.

PRESENT Paul Foster, Mayor
Paul Barich, Mayor Pro Tem
Jon Harrison, Councilmember
Eddie Tejada, Councilmember

ABSENT: Pat Gilbreath, Councilmember

STAFF N. Enrique Martinez, City Manager; Dan McHugh, City Attorney; Robert Dawes, City Treasurer; Jeanne Donaldson, City Clerk; Carl Baker, Public Information Officer; Penni Overstreet-Murphy, Fire Marshal; Mark Garcia, Police Chief; Danielle Garcia, Management Services/Finance Director; Chris Diggs, Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director; Chris Boatman, Quality of Life Director; James Troyer, Interim Development Services Director; Amy Martin, Human Resources Director; Janice McConnell, Assistant to the City Manager

Mayor Foster called the meeting to order and offered those present the opportunity to provide public comment on any item on the agenda for the closed session.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None forthcoming

CLOSED SESSION:

1. Public Employee Dismissal/Release - Government Code §54957
(Human Resources/Risk Management Director Martin)
 - a. Consideration of industrial disability retirement applications for one (1) public safety employee
2. Conference with legal counsel: Existing Litigation - Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)
(Human Resources/Risk Management Director Martin)
Two Cases:
 - a. Farmers Insurance Exchange v. City of Redlands, et al., San Bernardino Superior Court Case No. CIVDS 1515814
 - b. Darlene Medlin v. City of Redlands, et al, San Bernardino Superior Court Case No. CIVDS 1410919
3. Conference with labor negotiator - Government Code §54957.6
(Human Resources/Risk Management Director Martin)
Agency negotiator: Amy Martin
Employee Organizations: Redlands Association of Department Directors
Redlands Association of Management Employees
Redlands Association of Mid-Management Employees

- Redlands Civilian Safety Employees Association
 General Employees Association of Redlands
 Redlands Police Officers Association
 Redlands Association of Safety Management Employees
 Redlands Professional Firefighters Association
 Redlands Association of Fire Management Employees
- Unrepresented Employees: City Manager
 City Attorney
4. Conference with real property negotiators - Government Code §54956.8
 (Quality of Life Director Boatman)
 Property: APN No. 0292-184-02, 05 and 018
 Agency negotiators: N. Enrique Martinez, Chris Boatman
 Negotiating party: Gonkira LLC, Steven Kiralla
 Under negotiation: Terms of payment and price for possible purchase of City property
5. Conference with real property negotiators - Government Code §54956.8
 (Quality of Life Director Boatman)
 Property: APN No. 0169-351-02 and 03
 Agency negotiators: N. Enrique Martinez, Chris Boatman
 Negotiating party: David Jones Trust
 Under negotiation: Terms of payment and price for possible purchase of City property
6. Conference with real property negotiators - Government Code §54956.8
 (Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director Diggs)
 Property: APNs 0169-281-39
 Agency negotiators: N. Enrique Martinez, Chris Diggs
 Negotiating parties: George Krikorian
 Under negotiation: Terms of payment and price for possible purchase of easement by City

The meeting reconvened at 6:05 P.M. with an invocation by Councilmember Harrison followed by the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT:

City Attorney McHugh announced the City Council voted unanimously to approve an industrial disability retirement application of a public safety employee during the closed session.

PRESENTATIONS:

Redlands Animal Shelter – Animal Control Officer Bill Miller introduced “Richey”, a five year old male terrier mix, who is available for adoption, with twenty-six other

dogs, twenty-one cats and one chicken, at the Redlands Animal Shelter. Officer Miller informed the Council twenty-nine dogs and twenty-five cats have been adopted since the last regular City Council meeting.

National Mentoring Month – Mayor Foster presented a proclamation to Doreen Ivery, of the Children’s Network, San Bernardino County, declaring January 2017 as National Mentoring Month.

Mayor Foster offered those present the opportunity to provide public comment on any item not on the agenda for the remaining session.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Open Government – Stephen Rogers thanked Councilmember Tejada for attending the Mentone Area Community Association meeting and is hopeful about the City’s future. He requested information from the City with regards to previous complaints he has filed with the County of San Bernardino’s District Attorney.

Fees – Arlen Einertson asked how City fees and service charges are formulated and questioned the value associated with the fees. He described his recent experience with permit fees charged for work performed at his house and suggested the City strive to improve efficiency rather than raise fee structures.

Fees – Jeff Sanborn, of Sanborn’s Air Conditioning and Heating, objected to the recent increase in fees for air conditioning permits, stating the higher fees are not warranted for the type of inspections currently being done by the City.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Minutes - On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting of January 3, 2017.

Proclamation – On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved a proclamation declaring January 2017 as National Mentoring Month.

Commissioner Appointment – On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved the reappointment of Steven Frasher to serve an additional four-year term on the Planning Commission. His new term will expire January 6, 2021.

City Council Liaisons - On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved a list of liaison assignments to the City’s boards, commissions, committees, and outside agencies.

Fee Waiver – On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved a request from Big Hearts for Little Hearts Guild and Loma Lind Children’s Hospital Foundation for the waiver of fees related to the Family Fitness Fun Run and Fitness Expo event to be held on April 2, 2017.

Fee Waiver – On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved a request from the Redlands Bicycle Classic, Inc. for the waiver of fees in the amount of \$35,226.43, related to the 33rd Annual Redlands Bicycle Classic to be held from May 3 to May 7, 2017.

Fitness Classes - On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved an Independent Contractor Agreement between the City of Redlands and Valerie Tracy to provide jazzercise classes for adults and youth at the Redlands Recreation Facilities Center.

Fitness Classes – On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved an Independent Contractor Agreement between the City of Redlands and Gail Abrams to provide dance and movement classes for adults at the Redlands Recreation Facilities Center.

Park Facility Assessment Tool – Tim Sullivan, of the Quality of Life Department, provided background to the benefits of developing a park facility assessment tool and an agreement with RRM Design Group. Councilmember Harrison supported the study but suggested the source of funding be made from the development impact fees rather than from the Palmetto Grove proceeds. On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved an agreement between the City of Redlands and RRM Design Group, in the amount of \$29,900, to develop a park facility assessment tool and perform the first round of assessments of the City’s parks and approved an additional appropriation of the same amount with the funds coming from the park and open space development impact fees.

Energy Usage Data – On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously authorized the Mayor to sign a data request to Southern California Gas and Southern California Edison for energy usage data to be used to establish a baseline for current energy usage in the General Plan Environmental Impact Report and associated Climate Action Plan.

Oversight Board Appointment – On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved the appointment of James Troyer to the Oversight Board of the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Redlands as Vice Chairperson and the representative of the employees of the former redevelopment agency.

Parcel Map Approval – Emily Elliott, of the Development Services Department, provided background to the request for final approval of Parcel Map No. 18636-1

subdividing 10.42 acres into five parcels, for a project located on the west side of Eureka Street, between the Interstate-10 Freeway and Stuart Avenue. As public comment, Stephen Rogers restated his request for additional information to be added to agendas and raised concerns as to whether the City followed the proper administrative procedures for final parcel map approvals. On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved Parcel Map No. 18536-1 subdividing 10.42 acres into five parcels in the TC (Town Center) District of the Downtown Specific Plan. The property is located on the west side of Eureka Street between the Interstate-10 Freeway and Stuart Avenue.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Coffee with the Council – Councilmember Harrison proposed that in addition to the regular schedule of “Coffee with the Council” meetings, the City Council add four additional “Walking with the Council” meetings where one or two councilmembers would meet with residents interested in walking our City trails, while also having informal discussions. All Councilmembers agreed and Mayor Foster requested staff to adjust the schedule with a revised schedule to be brought back to the next regular City Council meeting, February 7, 2017.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Resolution No. 7701 – Development Impact Fees – Mayor Foster opened the public hearing and called upon Don Young, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, to provide a summary of events leading to the request to revise the development impact fees and to introduce Nehal Thumar, of David Taussig & Associates, Inc., for a brief presentation of the methodology used to derive the City of Redlands Development Impact Fee Study and the resultant proposed changes to the development impact fees. As public comment, Stephen Rogers recommended the item be tabled until after the General Plan Update is completed. Arlen Einertson questioned why some fees of the 2014 fee structure are vastly different from the 2016 fee structures. Bill Cunningham stated the Growth management section of the General Plan requires full payment of impact fees proportionate to the services indicated for each development project. Upon no further comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing. Councilmember Harrison asked for clarification as to why fee amounts changed from 2014 to those presented for 2016. Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director Diggs explained a more thorough analysis was performed on the current study. On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barich, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7701 establishing revised development impact fees for open space and parks, transportation improvements, storm drain facilities and public facilities, and rescinding Resolution Nos. 7432 and 7617.

NEW BUSINESS:

Redlands-Highland Bike Project Grant – At the request of staff, the City Council agreed to continue until a later date, discussion of the cooperative agreement between the City of Redlands and the City of Highland to implement and manage the Redlands-Highland Bike Project Grant. This will allow staff time to review edits to the agreement recently received by the City of Highland.

Radio Maintenance – Chief Garcia offered a brief explanation of a renewal to an ongoing contract with the County of San Bernardino for 800 MHz band radio system. As public comment, Stephen Rogers questioned the source of funding for the contract and stated his concerns with a different radio transmission site within the County of San Bernardino, located in Chino Hills. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember Harrison, the City Council unanimously approved a contract between the City of Redlands and the County of San Bernardino for access and maintenance of the police 800 MHz radio system.

Heavy Duty Dump Truck – Tim Sullivan, of the Quality of Life Department, explained the need for replacement of a Heavy Duty Dump Truck in the Street Maintenance Division. On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Councilmember Tejeda, the City Council unanimously approved a purchase order with Sunrise Ford, in the amount of \$102,922.43, for the purchase of a 2017 Heavy Duty Dump Truck and the additional appropriation of \$72,620.64 from the General Fund Vehicle Replacement Reserve.

Real Property Purchase – Quality of Life Director Chris Boatman presented details of a proposal to purchase property, located north of the City Yard, south of Redlands Boulevard, and east of Kansas Street for a total of 3.21 acres, for future expansion of City facilities. As public comment, Stephen Rogers restated his concerns with property negotiations carried out by the City and urged the Council to perform an environmental review of the property before approving the purchase and sale agreement. In response, City Attorney McHugh clarified the exemption for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) known as the “Common Sense Exemption”. There is no effect on the environment with the transfer of the property, hence the exemption and if and when the property is developed, appropriate CEQA review will occur at that time. On motions of Councilmember Tejeda, seconded by Councilmember Harrison, the City Council unanimously agreed the proposed purchase and sale agreement is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act; approved the Purchase and Sale Agreement for the acquisition of APN 0292-184-02, 05, 18, and APN 0169-351-07 from Gonkira Properties LLC; and approved the transfer of land sale proceeds, in the amount of \$517,000, to the Safety /City Hall Replacement Fund.

COUNCILMEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

Councilmember Tejada attended the Mentone Area Community Association meeting on January 11, 2017.

Councilmember Harrison attended the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority or SBCTA meeting, formerly known as SANBAG, where a variety of Redlands projects were discussed on January 4, 2017. He's also been attending a series of meetings related to the City Skate Park in preparation for the public outreach efforts coming up this spring.

Mayor Pro Tem Barich enjoyed his vacation time.

Mayor Foster filled in for Councilmember Gilbreath and represented the City at the Omnitrans Board of Directors meeting, held January 4, 2017, and he was the guest speaker for the Redlands Area Interfaith Council meeting held on January 11, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further action required the meeting adjourned at 7:01 P.M. The next regular meeting of the City of Redlands City Council will be held on February 7, 2017.