

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 18, 2005, at 3:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Susan Pepler, Mayor
Gilberto Gil, Mayor Pro Tem
Pat Gilbreath, Councilmember
Gary George, Councilmember
Jon Harrison, Councilmember

ABSENT

None

STAFF

John Davidson, City Manager; Daniel J. McHugh, City Attorney; Lorrie Poyzer, City Clerk; Michael Reynolds, City Treasurer; Jim Bueermann, Police Chief; Mel Enslow, Fire Chief; Tina Kundig, Finance Director; Ronald C. Mutter, Public Works Director; Marjie Pettus, Administrative Services Director; Gary G. Phelps, Municipal Utilities Director; and Jeffrey L. Shaw, Community Development Director

The meeting was opened with an invocation by Councilmember George followed by the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Award of Financial Reporting Achievement - Michael Harrison, CPA with Conrad & Associates, L.L.P., presented an award of financial reporting achievement to Finance Director Kundig and a certificate of achievement for excellence in financial reporting to the City of Redlands from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. On behalf of her staff, Finance Director Kundig accepted the award and plaque.

Field Employee of the Year - City Manager Davidson introduced the following nominees for the Field Employee of the Year award from the field category: Jack Baeza, Municipal Utilities Department-Solid Waste Division; David Dickinson, Municipal Utilities Department-Customer Service; Mark Romero, Municipal Utilities Department-Solid Waste Division; Mike Taylor, Municipal Utilities Department-Water Division; and Billy Valdivia, Municipal Utilities Department-Solid Water Division. Mayor Pepler presented a plaque with the City seal and certificates of commendation to Mike Taylor, recipient of the Field Employee of the Year award for 2004.

Safety Employee of the Year - City Manager Davidson introduced the following nominees for the Safety Employee of the Year award from the safety category: Glenn Crum, Fire Department, and Roger DeVault, Police Department. Mayor Pepler presented a plaque with the City seal and a certificate of commendation to Roger DeVault, recipient of the Safety Employee of the Year award for 2004.

Administration Employee of the Year - City Manager Davidson introduced the following nominees for the Administration Employee of the Year award from the administration category: Ruth Breslin, Administrative Services Department; Debbie Fredregill, Police Department-Records; Eileen Vance, Police Department-Recreation. Mayor Pepler presented a plaque with the City seal and a certificate of commendation to Ruth Breslin, recipient of the Administration Employee of the Year award for 2004.

Manager of the Year - City Manager Davidson introduced the following nominees for the Manager of the Year award: Bill Cranfill, Police Department; Greg Gage, Municipal Utilities Department-Administration; Charlotte Kranenburg, Municipal Utilities Department-Airport; Janet Miller, Municipal Utilities Department-Administration; and Beatrice Sanchez, Deputy City Clerk. Mayor Pepler presented a plaque with the City seal and a certificate of commendation to Charlotte Kranenburg, recipient of the Manager of the Year award for 2004.

Employee Service - In recognition of thirty years of service, gold watches were presented to: Deputy Police Chief Clete Hyman, Bob Bischoff, Fire Department; Ralph Serrano, Fire Department; Glenn Shrive, Fire Department; and Charles Workman, Public Works Department-Parks Division.

Mission Aviation Fellowship - Gene Jordan, Mission Aviation Fellowship, narrated a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the history of his organization and showing the work being done in Sumatra and Indonesia after the earthquake and tsunami that occurred on December 26, 2004.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS

Councilmembers reported on their activities and attendance at meetings during the past two weeks.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the minutes of the special meeting of January 4, 2005, were approved as submitted. The minutes of the regular meeting of January 4, 2005, were approved as amended by including Yvonne Perez as having offered her assistance in the paragraph regarding the Community Vision Process.

Bills and Salaries - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, payment of bills and salaries was acknowledged.

Comprehensive Financial Report - Audit - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously

accepted the City of Redlands' Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Single audit report for the year ended June 30, 2004.

Annual Reports - CFD 2001-1 and CFD 2003-1 - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously accepted the annual reports for Community Facilities District 2001-1 and Community Facilities District 2003-1 as required by Government Code Section 53411.

Planning Commission Actions - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the report of the Planning Commission meeting held on January 11, 2005, was acknowledged as received.

Agreement - EIR - Bulldog Commons Project - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously approved a contract with ECORP Consulting, Inc. for preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for Conditional Use Permit No. 836 and Demolition Permit No. 68 for the Bulldog Commons Project and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the document on behalf of the City.

Funding Agreement - Bulldog Commons Project - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously approved a funding agreement with RAFCO Development for preparation of an Environmental Impact Report and City administrative fees for Conditional Use Permit No. 836 and Demolition Permit No. 68 for the Bulldog Commons Project and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the document on behalf of the City.

Agreement - Natural Resources Planning - An agreement with the University of Redlands Center for Environmental Studies to provide natural resource planning and management support services was presented for consideration at this meeting. The proposal submitted outlines its concept and approach to meeting the goals and objectives of the City as it related to protection, restoration, acquisition and management of our open space. City Manager Davidson reported we received \$30,000.00, as promised, from the Redlands Conservancy and an anonymous donor earlier today. Councilmember Gilbreath expressed concerns stating she felt we needed to clearly define the scope. Following discussion, Councilmember George moved to approve the agreement with the University of Redlands Center for Environmental Studies to perform consulting services in support of the City's natural resources planning and management objectives and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the document on behalf of the City. Motion seconded by Councilmember Harrison and carried with Councilmember Gilbreath voting NO.

Contract Amendment - City Manager - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously approved

the third amendment to the employment agreement with City Manager John Davidson and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the document on behalf of the City.

Agreement - Exchange Entitlement Water - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously approved an agreement to exchange entitlement water with the Redlands Unified School District and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the document on behalf of the City.

Agreement - Parent Toddler Movement Classes - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously approved an independent contractor agreement with Leslie Bryan to provide parent toddler movement classes at the Redlands Community Center and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the document on behalf of the City.

Agreement - Poi Dance Classes - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously approved an independent contractor agreement with Tawnia Anthony to provide Poi dance classes at the Redlands Community Center and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the document on behalf of the City.

Resolution No. 6357 - Local Emergency - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously adopted Resolution No. 6357, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redlands ratifying the existence of a local emergency as a result of the devastating and severe rainstorms which began on January 6, 2005, and continued through January 11, 2005.

Pre-Disaster Mitigation Competitive Grant Program - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously authorized an application for the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Competitive Grant Program to retrofit the Civic Center located at 35 Cajon Street.

Agreement - Civic Center Retrofit - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously approved an independent contractor agreement with Johnson and Nielsen Associates to update the report prepared by them in 1998 analyzing the integrity of the Civic Center and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the document on behalf of the City.

CDBG Allocation Amendment - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember George, the City Council unanimously approved cancellation of Community Development Block Grant Project No. 111-

29311/2569 (Sylvan Park playground equipment and improvements) and transfer the \$28,000.00 balance to the City of Redlands Community Development Block Grant Contingency Fund. The Sylvan Park playground equipment was purchased through Proposition 12 funding.

PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Ordinance No. 2593 - Development Allocations - The City Council gave first reading of the title for Ordinance No. 2593, an ordinance of the City of Redlands amending Chapter 19.16 of the Redlands Municipal Code relating to the procedure for issuing development allocations, which would allow a project applicant to revise its application submittal to satisfy recommendations of staff and the Planning Commission if the project failed to receive the required number of points and there were no other competing applications pending. During the discussion on January 4, 2005, a question was raised about whether this new process should be allowed at any time during the allocation procedure or only during the last quarter of the year's allocation. The City Attorney has informed the City Council, Ordinance No. 2593, as presented on January 4, 2005, would allow the applicant and the City Council to take advantage of this revision processing during any quarter. Councilmember George said he would prefer this process only be available at year end. Following brief discussion, Councilmembers concurred with Councilmember George and asked the City Clerk to read the title of Ordinance No. 2593 (Alternative B). Ordinance No. 2593 (Alternative B) was read by title only by City Clerk Poyzer, and on motion of Councilmember George, seconded by Councilmember Pepler, further reading of the ordinance text was unanimously waived, and Ordinance No. 2593 (Alternative B) was introduced with unanimous Council approval and laid over under the rules with adoption scheduled for February 1, 2005.

COMMUNICATIONS

Appointments - Cultural Arts Commission - Mayor Pepler moved to appoint Liz Zeller to fill the unexpired term of Jean Harp to January 6, 2006, on the Cultural Arts Commission. Motion seconded by Councilmember George and carried unanimously. Mayor Pepler moved to appoint James Stewart to fill the unexpired term of Jamie Higgins to January 6, 2006, on the Cultural Arts Commission. Motion seconded by Councilmember George and carried unanimously. Mayor Pepler moved to appoint Robert Giordano and Clark Morrow to a four-year term on the Cultural Arts Commission. Motion seconded by Councilmember George and carried unanimously.

Transitional Housing Project - Councilmember George responded to questions regarding a proposal from the Redlands Charitable Resources Coalition for the creation of a transitional housing facility in the City of Redlands which was presented to the City Council at a prior meeting. He also provided a draft budget for the project and a potential screening document. Lizbeth Canteo

spoke to Councilmembers telling them she lost her home in a fire a few days after Christmas and is now homeless but that she has not been able to get government help because she has a job and does not have a drug or alcohol addiction problem. A program such as this would have helped her and her children get back on their feet. Cheryl Neesen, Redlands Family Service, and Don Wallace and Craig Turley, members of the Coalition, also addressed the City Council. Councilmembers expressed various concerns but concurred to allow the Coalition to proceed with their appeal to Congressman Jerry Lewis for Federal funds.

Northwest Redlands Projects - Discussion and possible action regarding prospective development and environmental review of projects located in northwest Redlands, west of the I-210 and north of the I-10 was withdrawn from the agenda.

JOINT MEETING - CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Resolution No. 6354 - Great Neighborhood Program - Councilmember Gilbreath moved to adopt Resolution No. 6354, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redlands authorizing the use of low- and moderate-income housing funds outside the Redlands Project Area. Motion seconded by Councilmember George and carried unanimously. (Also see Resolution No. 389 in the Redevelopment Agency minutes for January 18, 2005.)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Utility Bills - Bus Stops - Joe Gonzales, Northside Advisory Committee, asked why utility bills do not come on the first of the month. Municipal Utilities Director Phelps offered to discuss this further with Mr. Gonzales. Mr. Gonzales also asked why some of the bus stops did not have the covered shelters. Councilmember Gilbreath offered to assist him with Omnitrans.

Feeding the Homeless - Emery Milroy suggested involving the churches in town to provide two meals a day for the homeless.

CLOSED SESSION

The City Council meeting recessed at 4:51 P.M. to continue the Redevelopment Agency meeting and reconvened at 4:52 P.M. to a closed session to discuss the following:

1. Conference with labor negotiator - Government Code Section 54957.6
 - a. Agency Negotiator: Marjie Pettus and Tina Kundig
Employee Organizations: RASME, RPOA, and RPF Local 1354
2. Public Employment Appointment - Title: Redevelopment Director

3. Conference with legal counsel - Anticipated litigation - Government Code Section 54956.95 - Liability claim
Claimants: Michael and Amy Wynne
Agency claimed against: City of Redlands

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the City Council meeting adjourned following the closed session. The next regular meeting will be held on February 1, 2005.

City Clerk