

MINUTES: of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held on September 2, 2014, at 5:00 P.M. This was a teleconference meeting held at the following locations:

1. Council Chambers, Civic Center, 35 Cajon Street, Suite 2, Redlands, California, and
2. Main Lobby, Glacier Park Lodge, East Glacier Park, Highway 2 & 49, East Glacier National Park, Montana.

All votes during this teleconferencing meeting were conducted by roll call vote.

PRESENT: Pete Aguilar, Mayor
Paul Foster, Mayor Pro Tem
Jon Harrison, Councilmember
Bob Gardner, Councilmember
Pat Gilbreath, Councilmember

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Enrique Martinez, City Manager; Dan McHugh, City Attorney; Sam Irwin, City Clerk; Robert Dawes, City Treasurer; Carl Baker, Public Information Officer; Jeff Frazier, Fire Chief; Mark Garcia, Police Chief; Danielle Garcia, Chief Information Officer; Chris Diggs, Municipal Utilities and Engineering Assistant Director; Fred Cardenas, Quality of Life Director; Tina Kundig, Finance Director; Oscar Orci, Development Services Director

Mayor Aguilar 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. Conference with real property negotiator – Government Code §54956.8
Property: APN 0168-121-13
Agency negotiators: N. Enrique Martinez, Oscar Orci
Negotiating party: Diversified Pacific
Under negotiation: Terms and price for purchase of City property
2. Conference with legal counsel: Existing Litigation – Government Code §54956.9(a) - Three Cases
 - a. Alechman v. City of Redlands, et al, San Bernardino Superior Court Case No. CIVDS 1210203
 - b. Zeiner v. City of Redlands, et al, San Bernardino Superior Court Case No. CIVDS 1306108
 - c. Sirowy v. City of Redlands, et al, San Bernardino Superior Court Case No. CIVDS 1306246

The meeting reconvened at 6:03 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 no reportable action was taken by the City Council during closed session.

PRESENTATIONS:

Redlands Animal Shelter – Animal Control Officer Bill Miller, introduced “Bailey”, a two year old female Rat Terrier mix, who is available for adoption at the Redlands Animal Shelter along with sixty-one other dogs and fifty-nine cats. Officer Miller informed the Council thirty dogs and eighteen cats have been adopted since the last City Council meeting.

Emergency Services Academy Support – Mayor Aguilar, Fire Chief Jeff Frazier and Police Chief Mark Garcia presented Cory Nomura, University of Redlands Vice President of Finance & Administration, with a plaque of appreciation in recognition for the University’s continued support for the Redlands Emergency Services Academy.

Purple Heart City Designation – Mayor Aguilar presented a proclamation to Len Traverneti, Service Officer for the Military Order of the Purple Heart, designating Redlands as a Purple Heart City.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Community Reaction – Ed Gomez, Chairman of the Human Relations Commission (HRC), highlighted planned activities of the Commission in response to residents’ requests to address recent events within the Redlands Unified School District student bodies which may have offended sensibilities within the community. Interested parties were invited to attend the HRC meeting at 5:45 P.M. on Monday, September 15, 2014 in the City Council chambers. Mr. Gomez requested more frequent meetings of the HRC to maintain continuity in dealing with such matters.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Minutes - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the minutes of the regular meeting of August 19, 2014 as submitted.

Proclamation - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, a proclamation declaring September 8, 2014 as *Adult Literacy Day*.

Proclamation - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call

vote, a proclamation declaring September 2014 as *Childhood Cancer Awareness Month*.

Proclamation - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, a proclamation declaring the week of September 17-23, 2014 as *Constitution Week* and September 17, 2014 as *Constitution Day*.

Proclamation - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, a proclamation declaring Redlands as a designated *Purple Heart City* on the California Purple Heart Trail.

Resolution No. 7447 – Traffic Regulation - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7447 establishing no parking zones on the east side of Nevada Street at the Montessori School parking lot exits for approximately 80 feet on the south side of the two exits.

Resolution No. 7448 – Traffic Regulation - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7448 installing a four-way stop at the intersection of Iowa Street and Park Avenue.

Geotechnical Services - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, an agreement between the City of Redlands and Hilltop Geotechnical, Inc., for geotechnical services associated with compaction and density testing for the construction of pipelines.

Employee Insurance Agreements - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, one-year renewals of an agreement between the City of Redlands and Principal Insurance for life insurance coverage and an agreement between the City of Redlands and California Dental Network for dental insurance for all City of Redlands employees.

Fee Waiver - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, a request from the Optimist Club of Redlands for the waiver of all fees associated with the annual Oktoberfest event to be held on September 20, 2014 at Sylvan Park.

Police Department Computer Software Maintenance Payment - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the annual maintenance payment to Spillman Technologies, Inc. for the Police Department computer aided dispatch/ records management system.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Legislative Support – Councilmember Harrison presented an overview of efforts to establish a Santa Ana River Conservancy (SARC) to restore, conserve, enhance and protect the river. On motion of Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Foster, the City Council unanimously agreed, by roll call vote, to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter to Governor Brown encouraging his signature of SB 1390 to establish the SARC.

Resolution No. 7445 – Redlands Historical Museum Administration – On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously agreed, by roll call vote, to continue this item for consideration at the next regular meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution No. 7449 – Local Emergency Termination – Redlands Emergency Operations Manager Fay Glass summarized events leading to the declaration of a Redlands local emergency and described steps taken to mitigate the impacts of the damage incurred during a recent storm. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, Resolution No. 7449 terminating the local emergency.

Grant Acceptance – Police Chief Mark Garcia introduced details on a grant from the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS). On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously, by roll call vote, approved the acceptance of the grant, authorized the Chief of Police to sign the OTS Selective Traffic Enforcement Program PT 1524 for local law enforcement agencies, and authorized an additional appropriation to the Police Department in the amount of \$155,410.00.

Street Light Conversion – Celina Suarez, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, provided an update on the LED Street Light Conversion Project. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously agreed, by roll call vote, the light conversion, Project No. 40086 is categorically exempt from environmental review in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act guidelines, awarded a construction contract agreement between the City of Redlands and Southern California West Coast Electric, Inc. for the work, and approved an additional appropriation of \$127,365.00 to the Project for FY 2014-2015.

Sludge Removal – Chris Diggs, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, provided background on a purchase order request for sludge removal services. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, a purchase order with One Stop Landscape for sludge removal services at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Alarm Service Termination - Quality of Life Director Fred Cardenas provided background on a proposal to terminate a ten year relationship for alarm services and open the selection process to competitive bidding. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the City Council unanimously approved, by roll call vote, the termination of an agreement between the City of Redlands and Pacific Alarm Services, Inc. for burglar and fire alarm monitoring to be effective on June 30, 2015.

Cemetery Consulting Services - Quality of Life Director Fred Cardenas provided background on a proposal to hire a consultant to address problems at Redlands Hillside Cemetery. As a public comment, Dennis Bell asked why the streets within the cemetery weren't included for repaving under the Pavement Accelerated Repair Implementation Strategy Program. Andy Hoder suggested monies proposed to be spent for consulting would be better spent on maintenance and repairs within the cemetery. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gardner, the City Council approved, by roll call vote, an agreement between the City of Redlands and Ryan M. Lee, in the amount of \$85,000.00, for cemetery consulting services. Councilmember Gilbreath voted No on this item stating concerns about privatizing cemetery operations.

COUNCILMEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

K-9 Fundraiser – Mayor Aguilar and Mayor Pro Tem Foster congratulated the Police Department for a successful fundraiser in support of the K-9 Unit. Due to the support of an exceptional anonymous donor, the event raised \$11,600.00, more than twice the goal.

EOC Tour – Councilmembers Harrison and Gilbreath thanked staff for their tour of the recently finished Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and complimented them for accomplishing so much with so little funding.

Ball 4 A Cause – Councilmember Harrison attended a celebrity basketball game fundraiser event hosted by Music Changing Lives, Hip Hop Artists Against Drugs, and the Redlands Police Department and remarked at how tall professional basketball players are.

EBT at the Market – Councilmember Gilbreath pointed out that the acceptance of Electronic Benefit Transfer cards for payment at the City's Farmers' Markets will begin Saturday, September 6, 2014.

PARIS Phase I – Mayo Aguilar announced the imminent finish of Phase I of the Pavement Accelerated Repair Implementation Strategy (PARIS) and complimented staff for the success of the program.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further action required, Mayor Aguilar adjourned the meeting at 6:45 P.M. The next regular meeting of the City of Redlands City Council will be held on September 16, 2014.