

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 May 19, 2015, at 5:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Paul Foster, Mayor  
Jon Harrison, Mayor Pro Tem  
Pat Gilbreath, Councilmember  
Paul Barich, Councilmember  
John James, 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 Innovation Officer; Chris Diggs, Interim Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director; Fred Cardenas, Quality of Life Director; Tina Kundig, Finance Director; Oscar Orci, Development Services Director; Amy Martin, Human Resources Director

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:

Agreement Deferral – Steve Rogers requested the City Council to delay any decision as to the employment agreements for the City Attorney and the City Manager to allow more time to consider and evaluate the job performance of each individual.

CLOSED SESSION:

1. Conference with labor negotiator - Government Code §54957.6  
Agency negotiator: Mayor Foster  
Unrepresented Employees: City Attorney, City Manager

The meeting reconvened at 6:07 P.M. with an invocation by Councilmember Gilbreath followed by the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT:

City Attorney McHugh announced that no reportable action was taken by the City Council during the closed session.

PRESENTATIONS:

Redlands Animal Shelter – Shelter staff member Lori Weber introduced “Buster”, a one year old male Chihuahua/Beagle/Basset mix, who is available for adoption along with twenty-five other dogs and one hundred and two cats at the Redlands Animal Shelter. Officer Miller informed the Council twenty-two dogs and ten cats have been adopted since the last City Council meeting.

Energy Partnership – Joanna Chang and Annette Franco, of Southern California Edison presented Mayor Foster with a check in the amount of \$10,170.84 for the City’s participation in the Energy Efficient Partnership Program. Tabitha Kevari and Ashley Johnson, of the Quality of Life Department, were singled out for their supportive efforts to the success of this Program.

Spirit Champs – Mayor Foster presented congratulations and a Certificate of Commendation to the National Champion Redlands High School Varsity Cheerleading Squad; consisting of Hailey Behunin, Missey Bibo, Brooke Blaylock, Olivia Bouffard, Kelly Bradshaw, Kourtney Carranza, Madison Garner, Hann Grinnan, Alissa-Marie Grud, Marissa Guillen, Heather Lingad, Chastity Mendez, Cathryn Niebres, Sabrina Ramos, Kirsten Redden, Katelyn Richardson, and Akia Turner; and the National Champion Redlands High School Mascots Squad; consisting of Cassie Brackett, Kaycee Burns and McKenna Avery; for their winning first place at the United Spirit Association High School Spirit Nationals. The squads received further recognition from the offices of State Senator Mike Morrell and Assemblyman Marc Steinorth.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Redlands Passenger Rail – Tamara Madai, Carolyn Hays, Greg Brittain, Ken Hunter, and Sam Wong all spoke in opposition to the proposed San Bernardino Associated Governments project to provide mass transit from the City of Redlands to San Bernardino.

Facility Fee – Gail Howard questioned the necessity for charging a \$1.00 entry fee to youths wishing to utilize the Redlands Community Center and called for reconsideration and cancellation of the fee.

Staff Recognition – Ingrid Biglow, representing the Redlands Airport Committee, presented a thank you card to Chris Boatman, of the Quality of Life Department, in recognition of his many hours of effort to coordinate and accommodate the varied and diverse concerns during the planning and preparations for the very successful 2015 AirFest at the Redlands Municipal Airport on May 16, 2015.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Minutes – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting of May 5, 2015 and the special meeting and the joint meeting of May 12, 2015 as submitted.

Board Appointment – This item was removed from the evening’s agenda to be considered at a later date.

Settlement Agreement - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the public disclosure of details of a settlement and release agreement between the City of

Redlands and Food N' Fuel. Under the terms of the agreement, the City will pay the sum of \$15,000.00 to Food N' Fuel as the total amount of compensation for claims related to a lawsuit filed in the San Bernardino County Superior Court as Case No. CIVDS 1315423.

Lease Amendment - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a third amendment to a lease agreement between the City of Redlands and Dill Lumber for the property located at 1740 West Redlands Boulevard to extend Redlands Police Department use of the property to June 30, 2016.

Contraband Detection - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a contract between City of Redlands and the Redlands Unified School District for the provision and operation of a Contraband Detection Canine Program in an effort to control crime and possession of drugs on school campuses.

RESA – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved an agreement between the City of Redlands and the University of Redlands for the use of facilities for the Redlands Emergency Services Academy (RESA).

CDBG Subrecipients – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the 2015-2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program subrecipient agreements with YMCA of the East Valley, Inland Temporary Homes, Family Service Association dba FSA, Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board and Family Service Association of Redlands.

Termination Right Extension – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved an amendment to a Purchase and Sale Agreement and Escrow Instruction between the City of Redlands and Diversified Pacific Opportunity Fund I, LLC to allow a thirty day extension of the Buyer's Termination Right related to the acquisition of property, approximately 7.3 acres in size, located south of San Bernardino Avenue, west of Judson Street, and designated R-E (Residential Estate).

Parcel Map Approval – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Parcel Map No. 19461subdividing 50.67 acres into two parcels in the EV/SD (Special Development) District of the East Valley Corridor Specific Plan. The property is located at the southeast corner of Lugonia Avenue and Bryan Mawr Avenue.

Dog Obedience School – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved an Independent Contractor Agreement between the City of Redlands and Bryan Woodward to provide dog obedience instruction at the Redlands Community Center.

Facility Use MOU – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Redlands and the San Bernardino Retired and Senior Volunteer Program to use the Redlands Senior Center as a Volunteer Station.

Fee Waiver – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a request from Youth Hope Foundation for the waiver of \$425.00 in fees associated with the use of Sylvan Park for the 2nd annual *Day in the Park* event to be held on September 12, 2015.

Electrical Panel Installation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a license agreement between the City of Redlands and Main Street USA, LLC for the installation of an electrical panel on private property for electrical service to be provided for the Orange Street Alley Project.

#### COMMUNICATIONS:

Treasurer's Report – City Treasurer Robert Dawes provided an update on the City's investment portfolio by answering the following three questions: (1) How much do we have? \$120,672,881.00; (2) What are we doing with it? Funds are invested in six categories of investments, all closely regulated and dictated by law; and (3) How are we doing? The return on investments is improving, but it is still not enough to beat the rate of inflation.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Traffic Light Repair – Quality of Life Director Fred Cardenas provided background on repairs necessary for the traffic signal at the intersection of Brookside Avenue and Center Street. On motions of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously agreed approval of a contract for replacement of the traffic signal cabinet and conduit at Brookside Avenue and Center Street is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines and approved an agreement between the City of Redlands and DBX, Inc., in the amount of \$119,000.00, for the work.

Fleet Maintenance – This item was removed from the evening's agenda to be considered at a later date.

Storm Drain Repair – Goutam Dobey, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, described the need to repair the storm drain at the intersection of Cypress Avenue and San Mateo Street. On motions of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, the City Council unanimously agreed approval of a contract and construction of the 2015 Storm Drain Repair Project, Project No. 40087 is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to

Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines, approved the Project plans and specifications, and awarded a contract to AToM Engineering Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$62,398.00, for the work.

Resolution No. 7523 – Water Efficiency Rebates – Cecilia Griego, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, summarized enhancements to the Redlands Water Efficiency Rebate Program. As public comment, Bill Cunningham introduced a paper proposing avenues of opportunity to address the current drought with the use of gray water and contaminated well water from within the City of Redlands infrastructure. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7523 approving additional enhancements and provisions to the Redlands Water Efficiency Rebate Program and authorized the hiring of three part-time employees to enforce water waste restrictions.

Custody Services – Police Chief Mark Garcia presented details on a request for renewal of an agreement for contract custody services. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved an agreement between the City of Redlands and G4S Secure Solutions, for an annual amount not to exceed \$128,225.00, for custody services for FY 2015-2016 through FY2017-2018.

Lobbying Services – Public Information Officer, Carl Baker provided background on a request for the renewal of a professional services agreement for lobbyist services. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, the City Council unanimously approved an agreement between the City of Redlands and Innovative Federal Strategies, LLC, in the amount not to exceed \$49,000.00, for federal legislative advocate services for one year.

Office Improvements – Janet Miller, of the Development Services Department, presented a funding plan and contract for completing office upgrades for the Department. On motions of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously agreed approval of a contract and construction of the Development Services Department Office Improvement Project No. 01082 is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Sections 15282 and 15302 of the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines and excluded from such review in accordance with 24 CFR Part 58, Subpart D of the Code of Federal Regulations; approved the Project plans and specifications; awarded a contract to R. Dependable Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$100,000.00, for the work; and approved reprogramming \$10,000.00 from current year unallocated Community Development Block Grant funds to Project No. 01082.

Staff Augmentation – Development Services Director Oscar Orci explained the need to continue to augment the Building and Safety Division. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the second amendment to an agreement between the City

of Redlands and CSG Consultants, Inc. to provide professional plan review, building inspections and Certified Accessibility Specialist consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for FY 2014-2015.

Employment Agreements – On motion of Mayor Foster, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, the City Council unanimously approved the Tenth Amendment to an Employment Agreement between the City of Redlands and Daniel J. McHugh, City Attorney, and between the City and N. Enrique Martinez, City Manager.

#### COUNCILMEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

SCAG Conference – Mayor Pro Tem Harrison attended the Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) Regional Conference & General Assembly in Palm Desert, CA on May 7 and 8, 2015. The announcement was made that SCAG will soon begin circulating the 2016 Regional Transportation Plan.

Ribbon Cutting – Councilmember James attended a Redlands Chamber of Commerce reopening ceremony at Porcelynn's Fabric Boutique on My 8, 2015.

AirFest – Councilmembers Gilbreath and James remarked at the success of the AirFest and complimented the Police and Fire Departments for their part in maintaining order with such a large crowd.

Coffee – Mayor Pro Tem Harrison and Councilmember Gilbreath enjoyed a lively exchange of ideas at the Coffee with the Council on May 16, 2015.

Koble Luncheon – Councilmember Barich congratulated Bill Solberg as recipient of the Annual Roy Koble Award for service to youth.

Preservation Festival – Mayor Foster and Councilmember Barich attended the Redlands Area Historical Society/Redlands Conservancy Preservation Festival and remarked about what a worthwhile event it was

Prayer Breakfast – Mayor Foster and Councilmember Gilbreath commented on the success of the Prayer Breakfast on May 7, 2015.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further action required, the meeting adjourned at 7:09 P.M. The next regular meeting of the City of Redlands City Council will be held on June 2, 2015.