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 November 15, 2011 at 5:00 P.M.

PRESENT:
Pete Aguilar, Mayor
Paul Foster, Mayor Pro Tem
Jon Harrison, Councilmember
Jerry Bean, Councilmember
Bob Gardner, Councilmember

ABSENT: None

STAFF: N. Enrique Martinez, City Manager; Dan McHugh, City Attorney; Sam Irwin, City Clerk; Carl Baker, Public Information Officer; Jeff Frazier, Fire Chief; Shawn Ryan, Police Lieutenant; David Hexem, Chief Information Officer; Fred Mousavipour, Interim Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director; Fred Cardenas, Quality of Life Director; Tina Kundig, Finance Director/City Treasurer; Oscar W. Orci, Development Services Director; Debbie Scott-Leistra, Human Resources 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:

The meeting recessed at 5:01 P.M. to a closed session to discuss the following:

1. Conference with real property negotiator – Government Code §54956.8
   Property: APNs 0169-011-38 and -39
   Agency negotiators: N. Enrique Martinez, Oscar Orci
   Negotiating party: John Semcken, III, Redlands Joint Venture
   Under negotiation: Terms and price for City purchase of property.

2. Conference with labor negotiator - Government Code §54957.6
   Agency Negotiator: Mayor Aguilar and Mayor Pro Tem Foster
   Unrepresented Employees: City Manager

The meeting reconvened at 6:13 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 actions were taken during the closed session.

PRESENTATIONS:

Redlands Animal Shelter – Animal Control Volunteers Linda Ackerman and Cyndy Dunham introduced Chico, a one year old, male Affenpinscher mix, who is available for adoption at the Redlands Animal Shelter along with seventy-one other dogs and sixty-six cats. Ms. Ackerman informed the Council thirty-nine dogs and ten cats have been adopted since the last City Council meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ed Hales Park Renovation – Lane Snyder requested a breakdown of the expenditures totaling $542,836.69 on the renovation project at Ed Hales Park.

CITY COMMISSION, BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Street Tree Committee – Chairperson Chris Sedmack began with a review of the past accomplishments and future goals of the Committee. She discussed the size and complexity of the urban forest in the City of Redlands and introduced a proposed "Policy Manual" developed by the Committee and City staff. As a public comment, Janet Ward expressed her support for the Manual and urged the City Council to address its adoption as an agenda item in the near future.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Minutes – On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gardner, the City Council unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting of November 1, 2011.

Water Exchange Entitlement - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gardner, the City Council unanimously approved a water exchange entitlement agreement between the City of Redlands and Nathan Paul Cloar for one share of Redlands Water Company stock.

Bid Rejection – The City of Redlands advertised the Capital Improvement Program Safe Routes to Schools, Cycle 6, Project No. 41027 and received eight bids which were opened on October 5, 2011. The two lowest bidders failed to submit their sub-contractors list at the time of the opening and the third lowest bidder was nearly 20% higher than the lowest bidder which would result in a reduction to the scope of work in the contract. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gardner, the City Council unanimously approved the rejection of all bids submitted for the Project.

COPS Funds - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gardner, the City Council unanimously approved the allocation of the FY2011-2012 Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS) funds and authorized the additional appropriation of $111,874 to the Police Department. The money will be used to pay for a part-time Applied Technology Specialist, increase part-time Video Camera Operators from three to four and for specialized training.

Contract Assignment - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gardner, the City Council unanimously approved the assignment of the landfill operations support agreement from Vector Engineering to Geo-Logic Associates.

Park Renovation Donation - As a public comment, Kristin Saukel, of the Friends of Prospect Park (FOPP), provided an overview of the group's annual work project which this year is to renovate the bathrooms in the Park. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gardner, the City Council unanimously approved accepting a donation in the amount of $15,000 from the FOPP for the renovation project and authorized the supplemental appropriation in that amount to the Quality of Life Department.

Fee Waiver - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gardner, the City Council unanimously approved a waiver request from the YMCA of the East Valley for fees associated with the annual Holiday Home Tour on December 4, 2011.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Ordinance No. 2754 – Nonpotable Water Rates - Mayor Aguilar opened the hearing and called upon Chris Diggs, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, who provided a summary of events leading to proposed establishment of a two tiered nonpotable water rate structure. David Raley, Chairman of the Utility Advisory Committee, spoke in support of the Ordinance as part of an effort to meet a mandated goal of 20% reduction in potable water usage. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Harrison, the City Council unanimously approved the introduction of Ordinance No. 2754 amending Chapter 3.53 of the Redlands Municipal Code relating to non-potable water usage charges. The new ordinance introduces the two-tiered rate structure to encourage existing customers to undertake the conversion of their plumbing system to accept nonpotable water in exchange for receiving a fixed rate reduction in their water bill.

Ordinance No. 2759 and Resolution No. 7095 – Recreational Vehicle Storage – Mayor Aguilar opened the hearing and called upon Manuel Baeza, of the Development Services, who provided a summary of events leading to a request for Conditional Use Permit (CUP) No. 990 to establish an indoor and outdoor

recreational vehicle and boat storage facility located at 300 Kansas Street in the I-P (Industrial) District and to utilize fencing in conjunction with landscaping as a suitable screening material for outdoor storage areas. Kathy Oswalt, of Miller AIP, spoke on behalf of the applicant and described the intended business plan for the site. No comments were received in opposition to the CUP. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Harrison, the City Council unanimously approved a Negative Declaration for Ordinance No. 2759 and CUP No. 990, approved the introduction of Ordinance No. 2759 amending Chapter 18.112 of the Redlands Municipal Code relating to conditional uses permitted in the I-P District, and approved Resolution No. 7095 approving CUP No. 990.

NEW BUSINESS:

Internship Program – Debbie Scott-Leistra, Human Resources Director, introduced an agreement between the City of Redlands and California State University San Bernardino (CSUSB) for participation in the College of Business and Public Administration Internship Program. On motion of Councilmember Bean, seconded by Councilmember Harrison, the City Council voted to approve the agreement. Mayor Aguilar and Councilmember Gardner recused themselves from discussion and voting on this item due to employment relationships with CSUSB.

Resolution No. 7088 – Salary Resolution Amendment - On motion of Councilmember Gardner, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Foster, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7088 amending Resolution No. 7061 to reflect organizational changes within the City of Redlands staff. The cumulative saving from the changes is approximately $90,000 over the next seven months, not including salary savings from vacancies or payouts to separating employees.

Ordinance No. 2761 – Local Preference Program – On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gardner, and subject to a language change to clarify that local preferences for city businesses and county businesses are exclusive and not cumulative, the City Council unanimously approved the introduction of a version of Ordinance No. 2761 amending Chapter 2.16 of the Redlands Municipal Code to establish a local business preference program for the City of Redlands procurement of goods, equipment and services, including public projects with an expenditure of less than $30,000. City Manager Martinez pointed out the ordinance included a sunset clause to end the program after four years if no further action is taken by the City Council.

Resolution No. 7091 – Disestablishment of PBIA B – On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Bean, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7091 disestablishing Parking and Business Improvement Area (PBIA) B and setting December 6, 2011 as the date for a public hearing to consider the disestablishment.

Ordinance No. 2764 – Parks and Animals – Mayor Aguilar opened discussion on Ordinance No. 2764 as an effort to address concerns expressed by residents concerning dogs at the Redlands Sports Park during soccer games. Opinions expressed by Councilmembers present supported the ordinance; however, the City attorney was directed to modify the ordinance on first reading to include a provision that would exempt the Dog Park from the leash laws contained in the current chapter of the City's code governing parks. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Harrison, the City Council voted to approve the introduction of Ordinance No. 2764 amending Chapter 12.44 of the Redlands Municipal Code relating to park regulations and animals. Councilmember Gardner recused himself from discussion and voting on this item due to his ownership of property close to the Redlands Sports Park.

COUNCILMEMBER ACTIVITIES:

Ed Hales Park – Mayor Aguilar described the special joint meeting of the City Council, Planning Commission, Historic & Scenic Preservation Commission, and Parks & Recreation Commission earlier today at Ed Hales Park to provide a tour of the changes resultant from the renovation project as part of the Downtown Reinvestment Program. He and Mayor Pro Tem Foster complimented the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department for the added flexibility of the Park and its adaptability to many new uses.

League of Cities – Councilmember Harrison attended the National Congress in Phoenix and after action reports are forthcoming. He was very impressed by the many efforts across the nation to provide healthier communities.

Veterans' Day – Mayor Aguilar, Mayor Pro Tem Foster, and Councilmember Gardner attended the Veterans' Day ceremony at Jennie Davis Park and announced the Hometown Heroes Banner Project is progressing nicely, recognizing all those Redlands residents currently serving in the active duty military.

Water District Advisory Board – Councilmember Bean attended a Board meeting recently where ongoing efforts are in progress to collect and store water underground for provisions during periods of drought.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to address, this meeting was adjourned at 7:22 P.M. Mayor Aguilar dedicated the meeting adjournment to Jim Gebara, a long time supporter of the Redlands Community Music Association who has passed away. Most recently, Jim was instrumental to the successful efforts at restoration and beautification of the Redlands Bowl. The Council will meet at their next regular meeting on December 6, 2011.