

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 October 20, 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, Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director; Chris Boatman, 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:

None forthcoming

CLOSED SESSION:

The meeting recessed to a closed session to discuss the following:

1. Conference with legal counsel: Existing Litigation - Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) Four Cases:
 - a. Patricia Hillrich v. City of Redlands, et al, San Bernardino Superior Court Case No. CIVDS 1404164
 - b. Jennifer Meis v. City of Redlands, et al, San Bernardino Superior Court Case No. CIVDS 1418204 – Not Discussed
 - c. Charles Ray v. City of Redlands, et al, San Bernardino Superior Court Case No. CIVDS 1314720
 - d. Vonda Zaharopoulos v. City of Redlands, et al, San Bernardino Superior Court Case No. CIVDS 1404163 – Not Discussed
2. Conference with real property negotiator – Government Code §54956.8
 - Property: 173 Eureka Street
 - Agency negotiators: N. Enrique Martinez, Chris Boatman
 - Negotiating party: Watchorn Lincoln Memorial Association and the Contemporary Club
 - Under negotiation: Terms for the lease of property to the City

3. Conference with legal counsel: Anticipated Litigation - Government Code §54956.9(d)(2)(e)(1) One Case

The meeting reconvened at 6:15 P.M. with an invocation by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison 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 – Animal Control Officer Bill Miller introduced “Two”, an eleven month old female Chihuahua mix, who is available for adoption along with fifty-six other dogs and seventy-five cats at the Redlands Animal Shelter. Officer Miller informed those present that thirty-seven dogs and thirty-six cats have been adopted since the last City Council meeting.

Command Center Donation – On behalf of the City of Redlands, Mayor Foster received a donation check in the amount of \$5,202.00, from Dayatree Patel of Comfort Suites & Inn, representing the Hotel Owners Committee, for the purchase of a mobile command center.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Solar Conversion Costs – Nancy Blastos expressed her disapproval of any fee to be charged by the electric company to any household which has converted to solar power.

Job Fair – Socorro Pantaleon, from the office of State Assemblyman Marc Steinorth announced a Job Fair sponsored by the Assemblyman and to be held on October 26, 2015 at California State University San Bernardino from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Traffic and Prospect Park – Arthur Anderson read from a series letters between himself and San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) to illustrate the lack of progress from SANBAG with respect to the traffic congestion problems at the intersection of Interstate 10 and California Highway 210. He also made several observations and suggestions with respect to the replanting of the citrus grove at Prospect Park.

New Field Representative – Gayle Covey introduced herself as the new field representative for the Chairman of the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors, 3rd District Supervisor James Ramos.

Increased Crime – Nine speakers from the neighborhood on Myrtle Street, between Fern and Olive Avenues, highlighted a trend of increased crime in their area. While they thanked the Redlands Police Department for prompt responses to their calls, they said the trend continues in the wrong direction. They asked for

relief from criminal activities and individuals centered at two abandoned residences, one located at 301 Fern Avenue and the other at 316 Clark Street. Symptomatic of the crime in the area are incidents of discarded drug paraphernalia, vagrancy, criminal trespassing, theft (ranging from petty to grand theft auto), and assault.

Water Dilemma – Carolyn Kean expressed frustration with a dilemma she is having with respect to water conservation efforts in the City of Redlands. She has been cited for the condition of her lawn due to lack of watering. Personnel from the City’s Code Enforcement Division have offered her a period of time in which to repair her lawn to avoid paying the accompanying fine, but she says she cannot successfully replace her lawn with current drought amelioration watering restrictions. She cited California Assembly Bill No. 1 which was passed by the state legislature and prohibits a city from imposing a fine under any ordinance for a failure to water a lawn or for having a brown lawn during a period for which the Governor has issued a proclamation of a state of emergency based on drought conditions.

Redlands Train – Greg Brittain spoke in opposition to the proposed Redlands Passenger Rail Project. Olivia Crowley debated the points made in opposition and offered to address others.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Minutes – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting of October 6, 2015.

Proclamation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a proclamation declaring October 25-31, 2015 to be *Lead Poisoning Prevention Week*.

Proclamation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a proclamation declaring October 17, 2015 as *Lights on Afterschool Day*.

Settlement Agreement - On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council approved the public disclosure of details of an Agreement of Settlement and General Release between the City of Redlands and Joshua Egan. Under the terms of the agreement, the parties agree to settle and dispose of disputes and controversies between the parties and that each party shall bear their own attorneys’ fees and costs incurred with respect to a civil action pending in the San Bernardino County Superior Court and entitled Joshua Egan v. City of Redlands, et al., Case No. CIVDS 1509814.

Resolution No. 7577 – Records Destruction – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7577 approving the destruction of certain public records within the Redlands Police Department.

Police Vehicle Equipment – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, the City Council unanimously approved the authorization, in an amount not to exceed \$30,971.00, to purchase equipment to outfit four police auxiliary units. The motion stipulated the source of funding for the purchase would not be the Unreserved Fund Balance.

Bid Rejection – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the rejection of all bids received for Fleet Oil and Lubricants.

Bid Rejection – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the rejection of all bids received for a used heavy duty landfill compactor.

Resolution No. 7578 – Traffic Regulation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7578 establishing loading and unloading zones at 14 and 24 East State Street and at 21 and 31 East Citrus Avenue.

Resolution No. 7579 – Traffic Regulation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7579 establishing a no parking zone in front of 301 Tennessee Street.

Resolution No. 7580 – Traffic Regulation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7580 extending the existing no parking zone on University Street at the Interstate 10 freeway.

Resolution No. 7581 – Traffic Regulation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7581 installing crosswalks and a three-way stop at Olive Avenue and Terracina Boulevard, and a crosswalk at the intersection of Laurel Avenue and Terracina Boulevard.

Bid Rejection – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the rejection of all bids received for the Fire Stations No. 262, 263 and 264 Water Efficiency Rehabilitation Project No. 71262.

River Wash Entry Permit – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved payment to San Bernardino Associated Governments, in the amount of \$2,230.00, for a right of entry permit fee for the Orange Blossom Trail Service Day.

Resolution No. 7582 – Note Cancellation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7582 authorizing a Substitution of Trustee and Full Reconveyance to Jennifer Vannatter, and cancellation of a Promissory Note with Sunset Funeral Care, LLC.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Resolution No. 7571 – Historic Resource Designation – Mayor Foster opened the public hearing and called upon Sean Kelleher, of the Development Services Department, to provide details on an application for designation as historic resource. As the owner/applicant, Rick Ferguson thanked the City Council, the Historic and Scenic Preservation Commission and staff for their assistance and the process. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7571 designating a single family dwelling located at 233 South Michigan Street, within the R-2 (Multiple-Family Residential) District, as Historic Resource No. 123.

Resolution No. 7572 – Historic Resource Designation – Mayor Foster opened the public hearing and called upon Sean Kelleher, of the Development Services Department, to provide details on an application for designation as historic resource. As the applicants, Amanda Frye and Kathleen Beall highlighted the history and significance of the Redlands Lawn Bowling Club. On motion of Councilmember Barich, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7572 designating the Redlands Lawn Bowling Club located at 411 North University Street, within the O (Open Land) District, as Historic Resource No. 124.

NEW BUSINESS:

Adult Literacy Coordinator – Library Director Don McCue summarized a proposal to change the A.K. Smiley Public Library Adult Literacy Coordinator position from part-time to full-time. As public comment, Trudy Waldron, Kim Green, and Ana Alcantar reinforced their support for the Adult Literacy Program, Waldron as volunteer administrator, Green as volunteer tutor, and Alcantar as student beneficiary. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a full-time Adult Literacy Coordinator position by combining a \$52,000.00 grant from the State of California with the City of Redlands budgeted funding for a part-time Adult Literacy Coordinator.

Electronic Document Management – Chief Innovation Officer Danielle Garcia provided background on document imaging services provided to the City from American Microimaging, Inc. and a proposal to add two more staff departments to the service. a second amendment to the Agreement between the City of Redlands and American Microimaging, Inc., in the amount of \$56,281.00, to

provide additional services for the Human Resources Department and the City Clerk's Office.

Redlands TV Upgrade – Chief Innovation Officer Danielle Garcia summarized a proposal to upgrade the equipment used by the Redlands TV office. On motions of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously agreed that approval of the contract and construction of the Channel 3 Broadcast and Audio System Upgrade and Replacement Project is categorically exempt from environmental review in accordance with Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines; approved the Project plans and specifications; awarded a contract to Pacific Video Productions, in the amount of \$113,199.88, for the work; and authorized an additional appropriation of \$31,359.00.

Ordinance 2825 – Camping and Storage on Public Property – Police Chief Mark Garcia explained the need to expand the Redlands Municipal Code (RMC) to address camping on public property. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the introduction of Ordinance No. 2825 adding Chapter 12.46 to the RMC, and amending Chapters 12.44 of the RMC, relating to unlawful camping and storage of personal property in public places.

Ordinance 2826 – Obstruction of Sidewalks – Police Chief Mark Garcia explained the need to expand the Redlands Municipal Code (RMC) to address congestion and blockage of sidewalks in the downtown commercial area of the City. On motion of Councilmember James, seconded by Councilmember Barich, the City Council unanimously approved the introduction of Ordinance No. 2826 adding Chapter 12.47 to the RMC relating to sitting or lying down on sidewalks in the City's downtown commercial area, and amending Chapters 12.44 of the RMC, relating to prohibited conduct in public parks.

Tree Trimming – Quality of Life Director Chris Boatman requested discussion and voting on a proposed tree trimming contract be continued. On motion of Councilmember James, seconded by Councilmember Barich, the City Council unanimously agreed to continue this item until the November 3, 2015 regular City Council meeting.

COUNCILMEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

Councilmember Gilbreath – Along with Councilmembers Barich and James, she attended the Open House at Fire Station One on October 10, 2015 in celebration of *Fire Prevention Week*. She attended Library Board and Omnitrans meetings and the Citrograph Foundation *Love of Food and Wine* fundraiser for student scholarships. She reminded everyone that Halloween is coming, so be safe.

Councilmember Barich – Along with Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, attended the *Coffee with the Council* at Stell Coffee on October 17, 2015. He observed there were seven to ten attendees and encouraged more participation in the future. He

attended a Street Tree Committee meeting and reminded everyone trees require special watering consideration with the cutbacks in lawn irrigation.

Mayor Pro Tem Harrison – Attended a meeting of the Inland Empire Economic Partnership and announced a summit of area leaders to be hosted by that organization on November 12, 2015. He attended the Music Changing Lives Awards Program and a meeting of the Santa Ana River Wash Plan Task Force. We can expect a Wash Plan by the end of the year.

Councilmember James – Attended State Senator Mike Morrell's *Women of Distinction Program* at which Redlanders Heidi Mayer, Jenny Wright, and Kimberly Brickley were recognized for their contributions to the community.

Mayor Foster – Announced the Redlands Service Club Council will be having a day of service on November 21, 2015. The mayor thanked the service clubs and especially the City staff for all the organizing efforts for the landscaping of portions of the Orange Blossom Trail on that date.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to address, this meeting was adjourned at 7:41 P.M. The next regular meeting of the Redlands City Council is scheduled on November 3, 2015.