

MINUTES

of an adjourned regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands and a special meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Redlands held in the Council Chambers, Civic Center, 35 Cajon Street, at 1:00 P.M. on September 9, 2003.

PRESENT

Karl N. (Kasey) Haws, Mayor
Susan Pepler, Mayor Pro Tem
Pat Gilbreath, Councilmember
Gary George, Councilmember

George Webber, Chairman of the Planning Commission
James Macdonald, Vice Chairman of the Planning Commission
Thomas Osborne, Planning Commissioner
Paul Thompson, Planning Commissioner
Caroline Laymon, Planning Commissioner
Ruth Cook, Planning Commissioner

ABSENT

Jon Harrison, Councilmember
Gary Miller, Planning Commissioner

STAFF

John Davidson, City Manager; Daniel J. McHugh, City Attorney; Les Murad, Assistant City Attorney; Lorrie Poyzer, City Clerk; Ronald C. Mutter, Public Works Director; Jeffrey L. Shaw, Community Development Director; and John Jaquess, City Planner

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance led by Mayor Haws.

STUDY SESSION

Open Space - This joint meeting of the City Council and the Planning Commission was scheduled to hear presentations regarding open space. Members of the Parks Commission and Trails Committee were invited and several members were in the audience.

Wearing his Nature Conservancy tie, Councilmember George introduced Pete Dangermond, the Dangermond Group. Mr. Dangermond reviewed the park and open space plan established several years ago in Redlands which featured the "Emerald Necklace" concept of planning for selective open and park space that was not necessarily a green belt and would be connected with a trails system surrounding Redlands. He reviewed several exciting projects in the area such as San Timoteo and Live Oak Canyons as well as projects throughout the state. Pat Meyer, Urban Environs, was not able to attend this meeting; Councilmember George shared his thoughts from the developers' point of view. Councilmember George provided handouts for those present: a pamphlet entitled Conservation Options, a landowner's guide, made available through the

Redlands Conservancy, and Sonoma County's open space plan. Speaking from the audience were: Jim TenBrink, George Lessard, Tim Krantz from Crafton Hills Open Space Conservancy, and Bob Roberts. Councilmember George announced a workshop session for staff will be held on September 30, 2003, in the City Council Chambers from 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. and that evening in the Redlands School Board Meeting Room located at Lugonia Avenue and Orange Street from 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. The public is invited to both meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None forthcoming.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the City Council meeting adjourned at 2:01 P.M. The next regular meeting will be held on September 16, 2003.

The special meeting of the Planning Commission adjourned at 2:01 P.M. Its next regular meeting was held on this date and called to order at 2:10 P.M.

City Clerk