

MINUTES

of a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held in the Renaissance Banquet Hall, 19 East Citrus Avenue, Redlands, California, at 12:00 Noon on July 19, 2005.

PRESENT

Susan Pepler, Mayor
Gilberto Gil, Mayor Pro Tem
Pat Gilbreath, Councilmember
Gary George, Councilmember
Jon Harrison, Councilmember

ABSENT

None

The Redlands Chamber of Commerce hosted the sixth annual State of the Community luncheon. Chamber of Commerce Past President Wayne Stair welcomed those present, delivered an invocation, and led the audience with the pledge of allegiance. He then introduced Mayor Pepler who called the City Council meeting to order at 12:08 P.M. and asked if there were any public comments regarding subjects scheduled on this agenda. None were forthcoming.

Mayor Pepler, Mayor Pro Tem Gil, Councilmember George, Councilmember Gilbreath, and Councilmember Harrison each spoke for approximately ten minutes each. Their presentations were followed with a brief question and answer forum. Questions included their stand on the initiative petition submitted by The Redlands Association which is scheduled for the November 8, 2005, ballot and relates to the General Plan amendments; each Councilmember indicated they did not support the initiative. A member of the audience stated the City needed to have a utility tax as he felt it would be a fair and equitable way to fund needed City services. Dr. Appleton, University of Redlands' President, asked about the status of a downtown hotel.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None forthcoming.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Pepler declared the meeting adjourned at 1:15 P.M.

/s/ Lorrie Poyzer, City Clerk
Redlands, California