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 1, 2016 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; Janice McConnell, Assistant to the City Manager; Carl Baker, Public Information Officer; Jeff Frazier, Fire Chief; Mark Garcia, Police Chief; Danielle Garcia, Management Services/Finance Director; Chris Diggs, Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director; Chris Boatman, Quality of Life Director; James Troyer, Interim Development Services Director; Amy Martin, Human Resources/Risk Management 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:

Agenda Preview - Steve Rogers read aloud each item on the closed session agenda, offered his insights and requested more details.

CLOSED SESSION:

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

1. Conference with real property negotiator – Government Code §54956.8
   Property: APN 0292-192-19 (1615 Park Avenue)
   Agency negotiators: N. Enrique Martinez, James Troyer
   Negotiating party: Patrick O'Brien
   Under negotiation: Terms of payment and price for the purchase of City property

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

   a. Facts and circumstances: Consideration of claim filed via USAA
   b. Facts and circumstances: Consideration of claim filed via Carrier Auto Club Enterprises (AAA)
The meeting reconvened at 6:00 P.M. with an invocation by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison and 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:

RUDY Pet Adoptions – Animal Control volunteer Sentil Chinnachamy introduced “Toby”, a seven year old male pure bred Shih Tzu, who is available for adoption at the Redlands Animal Shelter. Officer Miller announced that thirty dogs and thirty-five cats were adopted since the last City Council meeting. Twenty-six dogs and two cats were returned to their owners after the thunderstorms of the previous week.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Quiet Zone - Tandy Hill, Kimberly Perna and Andy Hoder expressed their support for a railroad crossing quiet zone at the intersection of Alessandro and San Timoteo Canyon Roads.

Traffic Safety – Richard Bledsoe and Gary Wollner relayed observations of speeding traffic on Nordina Street between Fern and Olive Avenues. They requested traffic calming steps be taken and were informed that the Traffic and Parking Commission would hear their request.

Outreach and Input - Greg Brittain called for more effort on the part of government to inform residents about program proposals. He said ideas such as the Redlands Passenger Rail, high density stacked housing and inefficient modes of transportation need to be subjected to public debate.

Rebuttal - Dustin Foster took issue with criticism of the Redlands Passenger Rail Project and spoke in support of the idea.

CONSENT CALLENNDAR:

Minutes – On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting of October 18, 2016.

Proclamation – On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a proclamation declaring the period from October 23 to 30, 2016 as Redlands Peace Week.

Proclamation – On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a proclamation commending Neal Waner for his years of service to the Redlands Unified School District Board of Education from 2003 to 2016.
Commission Appointment – On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the appointment of Kelly McGrail to serve the remainder of an unexpired term on the Cultural Arts Commission ending January 6, 2018.

Resolution No. 7682 – Destruction of Records – On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7682 authorizing the destruction of certain public records within the Revenue Division.

Utility Connection - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously determined that Outside City Case 16-02, APN 299-221-06, is consistent with the City of Redlands General Plan and that public health, safety and welfare and the best interests of the citizens of Redlands are served by the City's continued processing of the application submitted by Walter De Blauw.

Grant Acceptance - On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the acceptance of an Automobile Club of Southern California CarFit mini grant and authorized an additional appropriation, in the amount of $500.00 for the Police Department.

Resolution No. 7684 – Weed Abatement – Fire Chief Frazier explained the requirement for an annual weed abatement resolution. As public comment, Tandy Hill observed that the City of Redlands is not listed as a property owner in the resolution. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7684 declaring weeds to be a public nuisance and setting December 6, 2016 for a public hearing for objections to proposed weed abatement.

Youth Sports – On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved an Independent Contractor Agreement between the City of Redlands and Derek Morrison to provide youth sports instruction.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Resolution No. 7671 - Fees Schedule - Mayor Foster opened the hearing and called upon Interim Development Services Director James Troyer to summarize staff efforts to inform the public and ensure an adequate exchange of ideas associated with proposed changes to the City of Redlands fee schedule. On motion of Mayor Foster, seconded by Councilmember Barich, the City Council agreed to continue the public hearing to the regular City Council meeting scheduled for December 20, 2016 to allow time for further discourse and public information workshops on the fee changes.
NEW BUSINESS:

Transportation Planning Support - Kjeld Lindsted, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, explained transportation planning grant application requirements. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously authorized the Mayor or any City Councilmember to sign a letter of support for the active transportation planning grant application.

Well Rehabilitation – Goutam Dobey, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, presented details on the Rees Well Rehabilitation Project. On motion of Councilmember James, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, the City Council unanimously agreed approval of the contract and construction of the Rees Well Rehabilitation Project, Project No. 71271, is categorically exempt from further environmental review in accordance with Section 15301(b) of the state guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; approved the Project plans and specifications; and awarded a construction contract, in the amount of $203,753.00, to Weber Water Resources CA, LLC for the work.

Conservation Promotion – Cecilia Griego, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, presented an overview of a program to promote water conservation. On motion of Councilmember James, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, the City Council unanimously authorized City of Redlands Participation in the cost sharing for the San Bernardino basin area public outreach campaign.

Agreement Replacement – Kjeld Lindsted, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, explained the need for a new energy reduction incentive program agreement. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved an agreement between the City of Redlands and Enernoc for Energy Demand Response Management and authorized the Mayor, or his designee, to sign a letter terminating the existing agreement between the two parties.

Alabama Street Interchange – Ross Wittman, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, summarized changes and funding arrangements planned for improvements to the Alabama Street exit from Interstate 10 to make the project more economically feasible. On motions of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a Development Mitigation Cooperative Agreement with the County of San Bernardino and with San Bernardino Associated Governments for the Interstate 10 at Alabama Street Interchange Project, authorized the Mayor to execute each agreement, and determined the project is exempt under Section 15061(b) (3) of the state guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act.

Landfill Support - Quality of Life Director Chris Boatman explained the need for hydrogeologic support at the landfill. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved an agreement between the City of Redlands and Geo-Logic Associates, in an amount not
to exceed $137,202.00 for a term of three years, for landfill hydrogeological support for the California Street Landfill.

Open Space Management Guidelines - At the request of staff, this item was removed from the agenda for consideration at a later date.

Agreement Assignment and Amendment - Quality of Life Director Chris Boatman provided background on Omnitrans consolidation efforts. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the assignment and amendment of the funding agreement between the City of Redlands and Vtrans to Omnitrans.

General Plan Preparation - General Plan Update Administrator Troy Clark summarized the need to add tasks to the City's contract for the General Plan Update. On motion of Councilmember James, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, the City Council unanimously approved a second amendment to the City’s contract with Dyett & Bhatia for the preparation of an Economic Analysis Model and a Climate Action Plan as part of the comprehensive update to the Redlands General Plan for an amount not to exceed $143,810.00.

Purchase and Sale Agreement - Quality of Life Director Chris Boatman presented a summary of details involved in the sale of property at 615 West Park Avenue. On motions of Councilmember James, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, the City Council unanimously agreed that a Purchase and Sale Agreement for APN 0292-192-19 is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines and approved such a Purchase and Sale Agreement and Escrow Instruction by and between the City of Redlands and Patrick Obrien.

relating to the Uniform Housing Code; and adding Chapter 15.34 relating to the Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings, adding Chapter 15.56 of the RMC relating to Safety Assessment Placards; and rescinding Chapter 18.172 of the RMC relating to the expedited, streamlined permitting process for small residential rooftop solar systems by adding Chapter 15.60.

Homelessness - At the request of staff, this item was removed from the agenda for consideration at a later date.

COUNCILMEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

Mayor Pro Tem Harrison attended a meeting on the One Water One Watershed is an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan planning process being developed within the Santa Ana River Watershed. He also met with a group meeting to deal with flooding and erosion problems at Heritage Park and tour a splinter rail system in San Diego which is very similar to the planned Redlands Passenger Rail.

Mayor Foster and Councilmembers Gilbreath, Barich and James all participated in the Optimist Civics Day.

Mayor Foster and Councilmember Gilbreath attended the retirement observance for Neal Waner's thirteen years on the Redlands Unified School District Board of Education.

Councilmembers Gilbreath and James attended the Redlands Airport Association "Stuff a Plane" event to collect toys for the Toys for Tots.

Councilmember Barich attended a meeting of the Redlands Street Tree Committee and reminded everyone to water their trees.

Mayor Foster and Councilmember James attended the Redlands Conservancy hosting of the California Historical Commission.

Mayor Foster and Councilmembers Gilbreath and James attended the Redlands Chamber of Commerce, City Council Candidates' Forum.

The Mayor reminded everyone of the upcoming Day of Service on Saturday, November 5, 2016 and the Veterans Day Parade and Picnic on Friday November 11, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to address Mayor Foster adjourned the meeting at 7:11 P.M. The next regular meeting of the Redlands City Council is scheduled on November 15, 2016.