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 September 15, 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; 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:

Real Estate Offer – Ryan Lal, of Lee & Associates Commercial Real Estate Services, provided further details on an offer to purchase the property in Item C-3 of the closed session agenda.

CLOSED SESSION:

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

1. Conference with real property negotiator – Government Code §54956.8
   Property:  21 East Citrus Avenue, APN 0171-121-17, and 31 East Citrus Avenue, APN 0171-121-18
   Agency negotiators:  N. Enrique Martinez, Chris Boatman
   Negotiating party:  Brad Hundman, Roger Schneider and David B.W. Ahlers Trust
   Under negotiation:  Terms and price for the purchase of property by the City

2. Conference with real property negotiator – Government Code §54956.8
   Property:  APNs 0292-034-02, -05 and -08
   Agency negotiators:  N. Enrique Martinez, Oscar Orci
   Negotiating party:  Robert W. Best Family Trust
   Under negotiation:  Terms and price for the purchase of property by the City
3. Conference with real property negotiator – Government Code §54956.8
   Property: APN 0292-041-08 and -44
   Agency negotiators: N. Enrique Martinez, Oscar Orci
   Negotiating party: Jeffrey N. Trenton, Proficiency Capital
   Under negotiation: Terms and price for the purchase of City property

4. Conference with real property negotiator – Government Code §54956.8
   Property: APNs 0301-191-019
   Agency negotiators: N. Enrique Martinez, Oscar Orci
   Negotiating party: Larry Jacinto Living Trust and Property One, LLC
   Under negotiation: Terms for the donation of property to the City

5. Conference with real property negotiator – Government Code §54956.8
   Property: 173 Eureka Street
   Agency negotiators: N. Enrique Martinez, Oscar Orci
   Negotiating party: Watchorn Lincoln Memorial Association and the Contemporary Club
   Under negotiation: Terms for the donation of property to the City

The meeting reconvened at 6:07 P.M. with an invocation by Mayor Foster 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 Volunteer Carly Carlson introduced “Joey”, an eight year old male Jack Russell mix, who is available for adoption along with thirty-three other dogs and eighty-three cats at the Redlands Animal Shelter. Ms. Carlson informed those present that fourteen dogs, twenty cats and two rabbits have been adopted since the last City Council meeting.

Excellent Procurement – Mayor Foster and Finance Director Tina Kundig introduced Dan Howell, Director of Purchasing and Contracts for Eastern Municipal Water District, who presented the Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award from the National Procurement Institute to Dana Abramovitz-Daniel, the City of Redlands Purchasing Manager.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Sister Cities – Roy Cencirulo introduced chaperones and students from the most recent exchange trip to Hino, Japan. The group expressed their gratitude to the City Council for the experience and presented a Furoshiki to the Mayor as a memento of their trip.
Sk8PARK – Bill Barris, Andy McLaren, and Jesse and Jacob Marin, all spoke as representatives of Sk8PARK, an organization formed to raise funds for the Redlands Skate Park. They each spoke to a different element of the City of Redlands government and expressed thanks for the support and progress made thus far toward the building of the park.

Redlands Train – Andy Hoder, Greg Brittain and Sam Wong spoke in opposition to the proposed Redlands Passenger Rail Project. Hoder found fault with the decision making process rather than directly opposing the Project.

Parklets – Victoria Hargrave expressed her disapproval of the appearance of the parklet installed at 301 Citrus Avenue. She asked that the permit for the structure not be renewed when the option is due and requested a set of design standards be established to preserve the unique charm of the downtown business area.

Public Safety – Fernando Munoz thanked the Redlands Police Department for the fine job they are doing providing for the safety of Redlands residents.

Scenic Preservation – David Billick asserted that the trademark views of Redlands center around three things: palm trees, orange groves and snow-capped mountains. He said all three are vanishing and planning decisions need to be made to preserve them as much as possible.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Minutes – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting of September 1, 2015.

Proclamation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a proclamation to the California State University San Bernardino on the occasion of their 50th anniversary.

Proclamation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a proclamation declaring September 19, 2015 as the beginning of the Vision2Read Initiative.

Ordinance No. 2823 – Permitted Uses of City Parks – The Ordinance changes permitted uses of City parks and permitting authority to allow the consumption of alcohol and commercial sales within parks and other City-owned facilities. As a public comment, Andy Hoder asked why alcohol was not specifically mentioned in the changed ordinance. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the adoption of Ordinance No. 2823 amending Chapter 12.44 of the Redlands Municipal Code relating to municipal parks.
Fee Waiver – As public comment, Andy Hoder asked for more detail and questioned the accuracy of some of the estimates in the staff report on this item. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a request from Redlands Optimist Club for the waiver of all fees associated with the 5th Annual Oktoberfest event to be held on October 3, 2015.

Donation Acceptance – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the acceptance of a donation of $5,000.00 from Redlands Lawn Bowling Association for improvements to the lawn bowling facility and authorized an additional appropriation to the General Fund Parks Division in that amount.

Stuff-a-Plane – On motions of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously agreed that a Stuff-a-Plane with Toys for Tots event is categorically exempt from further environmental review pursuant to Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines, directed staff to file a Notice of Exemption with the Office of the San Bernardino County Clerk, and approved the Redlands Airport Association’s Stuff-a-Plane with Toys for Tots event at the Redlands Municipal Airport.

Bid Rejection – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council approved the rejection of all bids received for fleet oil and lubricants Bid Number QOL07282015JS.

Ordinance No. 2824 – Massage Establishment Regulation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the adoption of Ordinance No. 2824 amending Chapters 5.28, 18.82 and 18.96 of the Redlands Municipal Code relating to massage establishments within the City of Redlands and permitted and conditionally permitted uses within the A-P-C and C-4 zoning districts.

Grant Submission – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the authorization to submit an application to the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for the 2015 Emergency Management Performance Grant.

Resolution No. 7562 – Traffic Regulation – This item was continued for further information prior to consideration and voting.

Resolution No. 7563 – Traffic Regulation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7563 establishing loading zone parking restrictions at 201 Brookside Avenue and a no parking zone at the southeast corner of Brookside Avenue and Eureka Street.
Resolution No. 7564 – Traffic Regulation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7564 establishing two hour time limit parking restrictions in front of 420 and 430 East Fern Avenue and removing the parking restriction in front of 460 East Fern Avenue.

Resolution No. 7569 – Traffic Regulation – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7569 establishing a no parking zone in front of 836 West Colton Avenue.

Trail Construction – On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Amendment No. 3 to the Common Use Agreement between the City of Redlands and the San Bernardino County Flood Control District for construction of the Orange Blossom Trail between the California and Nevada Streets and a portion of the Trail between Alabama and Iowa Streets.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Healthy Redlands – Councilmember Gilbreath summarized the accomplishments of the Healthy Redlands Program year to date and listed several of the new partnerships formed to accomplish the program.

CivicSpark – Tabitha Kevari, of the Quality of Life Department, summarized an analysis of the City of Redlands sustainability efforts and introduced Susie Kirschner, AmeriCorps member for CivicSpark, who provided a brief presentation of the CivicSpark Program outcomes and partnership.

Public Art – Public Information Officer Carl Baker introduced Brenda Spoelstra, of the Cultural Arts Commission, who presented a report recommending potential locations for art in public places around the City of Redlands.

Utility Box Art – Public Information Officer Carl Baker introduced Julia Lenhardt, of the Cultural Arts Commission, who presented the Downtown Art Box Project, a proposal to decorate five utility boxes as a pilot program to introduce the program throughout the City of Redlands.

Proposed Development – Pat Meyer, representing Larry Jacinto as the developer, provided a significant project presentation concerning Tentative Tract No. 19956 to subdivide 18.54 acres into forty residential lots and two common lots, located on the east side of Wabash Avenue, north of Highland Avenue and south of Citrus Avenue. The proposal involves annexation of the property, a General Plan Amendment and a Zone Change, so the City Council will be the final acting body on the project.

Veterans’ Housing – Tara Verasquez, of A Community of Friends, offered a significant project presentation concerning a Density Bonus Agreement, Zone Change, and Conditional Use Permit to develop an affordable housing project for
veterans with mental illness and low income families consisting of an 80-unit multiple family complex on 4.47 acres, situated on the southwest corner of Texas Street and Lugonia Avenue in the R-1 (Single Family Residential Family Residential) District [Proposed change to R-2 (Multiple Family Residential) District]. As public comments, Gregg Brittain called for more transparency in the development approval process for this project. Mario Saucedo summarized outreach efforts to date for the project and expressed the support for this development from the North Redlands Visioning Committee.

**Weather Forecast** – Alex Tardy, from the National Weather Services, and Fay Glass, City of Redlands Emergency Operations Manager, described what is expected from the El Nino forecast for 2015.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**Resolution No. 7566 – CAPER** – Mayor Foster opened the public hearing and called upon Development Services Director Oscar Orci to provide a summary of the 2014-2015 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7566 approving the CAPER and directed staff to submit Resolution No. 7566 and the CAPER to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in accordance with federal regulations prior to September 30, 2015.

**Resolution No. 7536 – Fees Schedule** – Mayor Foster opened the hearing and called upon Finance Director Tina Kundig for a report of proposed fee schedule changes. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7563 establishing the amounts of fees and charges levied in connection with the City’s provision of regulations, products and services; and rescinding Resolution No. 7501.

**Resolution No. 7568 – Improvements Waiver** – Mayor Pro Tem Harrison opened the hearing and called upon Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director Chris Diggs for background on a request to waive a requirement for construction of public improvements along Ramona Drive. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council approved Resolution No. 7568 waiving the construction of public improvements required as a condition of approval along Ramona Drive, Parcel Map 5914. Mayor Foster recused himself from the hearing, discussion and voting on this item due to his source of income relationship with the applicant.

**Improvements Deferral and Waiver** – Mayor Foster opened the hearing and called upon Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director Chris Diggs for background on a request to defer and waive requirements for construction of public improvements on property on Wabash Avenue. As public comment, Jerry Bates expressed concerns over the lack of erosion control on the property if no public improvements are made. On motion of Mayor Foster, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harrison, the City Council unanimously agreed to continue this item to allow
discussions with the area neighbors and an assessment of the impacts of the decision.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution No. 7565 - Measure I CIP – Ross Wittman, of the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department, provided an executive summary of proposed amendments to the City of Redlands Capital Improvement Program. On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gardner, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 7565 adopting the Five Year Capital Improvement Program for FY 2015-2016 through FY 2019-2020.


Crime Impact of Realignment – Police Chief Mark Garcia provided specifics on funds provided to the City for the purpose of addressing the crime impacts of the realignment of prison inmates. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the acceptance of funds from the Board of State and Community Corrections, in the amount of $55,214.58, and authorized an additional appropriation for that amount.

Traffic Signal Repair – Quality of Life Director Chris Boatman presented details on necessary repairs to the traffic signal at Barton Road and Terracina Boulevard. On motions of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously agreed that approval of a contract to replace a traffic signal cabinet is exempt from review under Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines and approved a contract between the City of Redlands and DBX, Inc., in the amount of $42,835.00, for the Traffic Signal Cabinet at the intersection of Barton Road and Terracina Boulevard.

Data Storage – Chief Innovation Officer Danielle Garcia defined the need for a dynamic system for storing the City’s data, server clusters and encrypted data files. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved the authorization to purchase new storage area network equipment at a cost not-to-exceed $72,928.00 from Synegi, Inc.

Database Support – Chief Innovation Officer Danielle Garcia defined the need for advanced database administration and support for the City’s financial and accounting system. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a purchase order with Sungard Public Sector for Remote Service Provider support, in an amount
not-to-exceed $101,000.00 for a period of twelve months with an option to continue month-to-month for a maximum twelve months.

**Land Donation** – Development Services Director Oscar Orci provided details of a proposed donation of land to the City. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Redlands, Larry Jacinto Family Trust and Property One LLC to allow the City to acquire APN 0301-191-19 as a donation for open space and conservation purposes, and authorized the Mayor to execute such MOU.

**Fire Equipment Assignment** – Fire Chief Jeff Frazier explained the fire equipment assignment process of the emergency response mutual aid system. On motion of Councilmember Gilbreath, seconded by Councilmember James, the City Council unanimously approved an assignment agreement between the City of Redlands and the California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services for the placement of a Type III Fire Engine in the Redlands Fire Department.

**COUNCILMEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES:**

**Councilmember James** – Attended a meeting of the Advisory Commission on Water Policy for the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District and is looking forward, with Councilmember Barich, to the Coffee with the Council Saturday, September 19, 2015, at Cuca’s on Lugonia Avenue, at 9:00 A.M.

**Mayor Pro Tem Harrison** – Attended a meeting of the Redlands Service Club Council with Mayor Foster where a plan was developed to use volunteers to perform landscaping along the next phase of the Orange Blossom Trail. He also attended a meeting of the Upper Santa Ana River Wash Land Management and Habitat Conservation Plan Task Force where he sees the final stages of an agreed upon Wash Plan Memorandum of Understanding for the area.

**Councilmember Barich** – Thanked staff for the quick response and rapid repair for a broken water main on his street.

**Councilmember Gilbreath** – Described a great reception she attended with the Inland Chinese Council at Ed Hales Park and the K-9 Fundraiser at Gerrard’s Market.

**Mayor Foster** – Attended a very “hot and sticky” Responsible Redlands Initiative project at the University of Redlands area, going door to door to discuss efforts to make safer neighborhoods.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to address, this meeting was adjourned at 8:26 P.M. The next regular meeting of the Redlands City Council is scheduled on October 6, 2015.