

MINUTES

OXNARD CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

April 27, 2010

A. ROLL CALL/POSTING OF AGENDA

At 7:04 p.m., the regular meeting of the Oxnard City Council convened in the Council Chambers. Councilmembers Thomas E. Holden, Andres Herrera, Dean Maulhardt, Irene G. Pinkard and Bryan A. MacDonald were present. The City Clerk stated that the agenda was posted on Thursday in the Library and City Clerk's Office. Mayor Holden presided and called the meeting to order. Staff members present were: Daniel Martinez, City Clerk; Edmund Sotelo, City Manager; Karen Burnham, Assistant City Manager; and Alan Holmberg, City Attorney.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

C. CLOSED SESSION

D. OPENING CEREMONIES

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States, followed by a moment of silence. Additional staff members present were: John Crombach, Police Chief; James Cameron, Chief Financial Officer; Grace Magistrale Hoffman, Deputy City Manager; Lou Balderrama, City Engineer; Christina Aerenlund, Public Information Officer; and Martin Erickson, Legislative Affairs Manager.

E. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Robert Thompson, Lemonwood neighborhood, students from various schools and other youth organizations did community service including painting of walls and cleaning of neighborhood.

Alicia Gil, an anti-alcohol program helping youth using street outreach (using street billboards).

Jennifer Gomez, Homelessness Commissioner, commented on the homelessness situation in the community, a recent street count being lower this year, and May 6 movie related to homelessness.

Anthony Marron, "Mental Health Month", awareness of the local NAMI Walks with funds used to educate the community on mental health.

John Korsten water conservation and loss of vehicle.

Harold Ceja, closing of Colonia Road at Oxnard Boulevard.

Pat Brown, positive action of students and need for positive stories in local newspapers.

Bert Perello, having Council meetings in Spanish and commented on Star newspaper stories regarding the Rio School District.

G. REVIEW OF INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

The following individuals questioned the method of priority used to re-surfacing/maintenance of streets (I-6, I-7): Pat Brown, Bert Perello, and Ed Ellis. The City Engineer reviewed the process of placing the priority re-surfacing/maintenance of streets and the timeline to work on the streets.

I. INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

City Clerk Department

1. SUBJECT: Minutes of the Regular Meetings of the City Council for March 9 and 23 and April 6, 2010. (001)

City Treasurer Department

2. SUBJECT: Quarterly Investment Report for the Third Quarter Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-2010. (019)
RECOMMENDATION: Accept the Quarterly Investment Report for the Third Quarter FY 2009-2010.

Development Services Department

3. SUBJECT: Acceptance of Dedication of Vehicular Access Rights to Santa Clara Avenue from the Property on the Southwesterly Corner of Auto Center Drive and Santa Clara Avenue. (025)
RECOMMENDATION: Adopt **Resolution No. 13,782** rescinding the rejection and accepting dedication of the rights of ingress and egress (vehicular access rights) to Santa Clara Avenue from the property located on the southwesterly corner of Auto Center Drive and Santa Clara Avenue.

Public Works Department

4. SUBJECT: Non-Scheduled (Emergency and Operational Priority) Repairs to Water Lines, Valves and Hydrants, and Appurtenances. (029)
RECOMMENDATION: Approve Project Specification PW10-08 for non-scheduled (emergency and operational priority) repairs to water lines, valves and hydrants, and appurtenances located throughout the City.
5. SUBJECT: Southern California Edison Company (SCE) Local Government Energy Efficiency Grant. (031)
RECOMMENDATION: Adopt **Resolution No. 13,783** authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for \$875,000 in SCE Local Government Energy Efficiency grant funds, to be used for energy efficiency programs.

6. SUBJECT: PW10-12 Rose Avenue Improvement Project. (033)
RECOMMENDATION: (1) Approve Project Specification No. PW10-12 for pavement resurfacing on Rose Avenue between Highway 101 and Camino del Sol, installation of water pipeline on Gonzales Road from Solar Avenue to Rice Avenue with subsequent resurfacing, and installation of recycled water pipeline on Rose Avenue from Camino del Sol to East Fifth Street with subsequent resurfacing and authorize staff to solicit bids for the project; and (2) Approve the appropriation of funds in the amount of \$1,700,000 from the Water Connection Fees Fund to the Recycled Water Backbone System Phase II Project No. 106002 for the installation of recycled water line on Rose Avenue from Camino del Sol to East Fifth Street.

7. SUBJECT: Proposition 1B and Traffic Congestion Relief Funds (TCRF) for Local Street Improvement. (037)
RECOMMENDATION: (1) Approve the reallocation of Proposition 1B and TCRF between the Sea Air Neighborhood Resurfacing Project and the Bartolo Square South Neighborhood Resurfacing Project; (2) Adopt **Resolution No. 13,784** allocating Proposition 1B funds in the amount of \$6,041,133 to the Sea Air Neighborhood, Bartolo Square North Neighborhood, Bartolo Square South Neighborhood and Cal-Gisler Neighborhood street resurfacing projects; and (3) Approve the appropriation of Proposition 1B funds in the amount of \$1,834,500 and TCRF funds in the amount of \$1,643,321 between the Sea Air Neighborhood Resurfacing Project and the Bartolo Square Neighborhood Resurfacing Project.

INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA ACTION: Approved as recommended (Herrera/Pinkard)
Ayes: Herrera, Maulhardt, Pinkard, MacDonald, and Holden.

J. TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

Finance Department

1. SUBJECT: Monthly Budget Status Report for the Period Ending March 31, 2010. (043)
ACTION: Received and filed.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

At 7:45 p.m. the concurrent meeting with the Community Development Commission concluded.

K. INFORMATION/CONSENT PUBLIC HEARINGS

L. PUBLIC HEARINGS

M. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

City Manager Department

1. SUBJECT: Communication Plan Update.
RECOMMENDATION: Receive verbal report concerning staff efforts to provide information to the community about public projects and other matters.

DISCUSSION: Public Information Officer reviewed several ways of communications with the community including the Oxnard News.org, government channel, mailing, newspaper publications and social networking (twitter and facebook) programs. These are ways to forward information to the public such as road conditions, calendar of events, press releases, community news, community news updates and other City events.

Bert Perello questioned if information would be placed in Spanish.

ACTION: Received the report.

N. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Clerk Department

1. SUBJECT: Appointment to the Downtown Improvement Task Force. (053)
RECOMMENDATION: That the Mayor, with the approval of the City Council, appoint a member to the Downtown Improvement Task Force.
ACTION: Mayor Holden appointed Councilwoman Pinkard to the task force.

The City Council also commented on the need to place “feel-good” stories in the eye of the public regarding the many good activities happening in the City.

O. REPORTS

P. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON REPORTS

Q. APPOINTMENT ITEMS

R. STUDY SESSION

City Manager Department

1. SUBJECT: Overview of Process for Becoming a Charter City. (057)
RECOMMENDATION: Consider a report on general information about charter cities, the advantages and disadvantages of becoming a charter city and the process for becoming a charter city, and provide direction to the City Manager.
DISCUSSION: The Legislative Affairs Manager reviewed the differences of a general law City and charter City. He commented on the various issues the City Council may address as a charter city.

The following individuals questioned the need for a Charter City: Pat Brown and Nancy Lindholm.

Harold Ceja, investigate having district Councilmembers,

The City Council discussed: prevailing wage issue, timing of the Charter City process, advantages of being a Charter City, and various issues.

ACTION: Received and provided comments.

S. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON STUDY SESSION

T. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:38 p.m. the City Council concurred to adjourn the meeting.