

MAYOR RICHARD S. CLAIRE
VICE MAYOR JEFF IRA

MINUTES
1017 MIDDLEFIELD RD

COUNCIL MEMBER JIM HARTNETT
COUNCIL MEMBER DIANE HOWARD
COUNCIL MEMBER COLLEEN M. JORDAN
COUNCIL MEMBER BARBARA PIERCE
COUNCIL MEMBER IRA RUSKIN

REDWOOD CITY, CA

CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 25, 2003
7:00 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – 7:02 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Council Members Present: Hartnett, Howard, Pierce, Ruskin, Vice Mayor Ira, Mayor Claire

Council Members Absent: Jordan

Staff Present: City Manager Everett, City Clerk Howe, City Attorney Yamamoto, Planning Manager Church, Community Development Services Manager Passanisi, Associate Planner Riordan, Project Planner Mehra, Assistant Planner Lynch, Volunteer Balsamo

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Diane Howard, Council Member

4. **INVOCATION** - Dennis Logie, Sequoia Christian Church

5. **SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY**

A. Proclamation: Community Health and Wellness Month (207)

PRCS Manager Chris Beth received the proclamation and announced the second annual Health and Wellness Fair at Veteran's Memorial Senior Center on Saturday, September 13 from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. He further stated that Thursday, September 18 is the American Heart Walk beginning at Oracle Corporation and lastly, he announced the Fall Recreation Guide with over 600 classes and programs listed.

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Pete Hughes invited the community to the annual levee clean-up on Saturday, September 13 beginning at 8:30 a.m with bagels and coffee, to enjoy the sunshine while picking up along the way, and a barbecue lunch. The location is Mariner Park, at the corner of Bridge and Redwood Shores Parkway. He stated that BFI and the San Mateo Credit Union is partnering to provide assistance and food.

Rudy Luca spoke of the conservation program and that staff indicated it would never work. His second point regarded the Marina project and 600 apartments to be built when Century 12 moves out. His question is how we are going to get the water allocated.

Mayor Claire clarified that there is no deal on the Syufy property across the Bayshore freeway and any project will go through the same process as any other development proposal.

Merrily Robinson, a member of the Pride and Beautification Committee, stated that her and her mother traveled to Alaska and that her father had helped build the Alcan Highway 60 years ago. She stated that in researching in preparation for the trip, she found that 61 years ago, a lonely military man put up a sign of his hometown in Iowa, beginning a tradition. Pride and Beautification made a beautiful sign for Redwood City and she and her mother took it to Alaska and posted it in the sign forest where at the end of 2002 there was a total of 55,000 signs. She disseminated pictures of her and her mother beside the sign and pictures of a portion of the sign forest.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine by the City Council and are enacted by one motion and one vote.

M/S Hartnett/Ira to waive reading of the Consent Calendar except the ordinances by title, adopt the resolutions and the ordinances, and approve other items. **The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote by those present with Council Member Jordan absent.**

7.1 Section – Motions

- A. Approve the minutes of July 28, 2003, as submitted; (301) **MINUTE ORDER 03-198**
- B. Acceptance of Grant of Public Service Easement – Kaiser Permanente – 1150 Veterans Boulevard (606)

Motion to direct the City Clerk, by motion, to accept on behalf of the City, the Public Service Easement offered by Kaiser Permanente, pursuant to Resolution No. 10944, adopted December 5, 1988, and to record a certified copy of the Resolution and Order with the deed in the office of the County Recorder of San Mateo County.

MINUTE ORDER 03-199

- C. Purchase and Repair Sanitary Sewer System ITT Flygt Submersible Pumps

By motion, authorize the purchase, replacement and/or repair of various sized ITT Flygt Submersible sewage pumps to Pump Repair Service Company of Daly City, CA for \$130,905.00. (304)

MINUTE ORDER 03-200

- D. Utility Systems Pumps and Flap Gate Repair (304)

By motion, authorize the repair/reconditioning of various sized water, storm and sanitary sewer pumps and storm pump station flap gates to Pump Repair Service Company of Daly City, CA for \$132,178.00.

MINUTE ORDER 03-201

- E. Street Tree Maintenance Contract (304)

By Motion, extend the agreement for the 2003/2004 Comprehensive Street Tree Maintenance Project to the Professional Tree Care Company of Berkeley, CA, for the not-to-exceed amount of \$271,800.00.

MINUTE ORDER 03-202

- F. Approval and authorization to execute agreement between San Mateo County Human Services Agency Office of Housing and the City of Redwood City Fair Oaks Community Center for FY 03-04 (304)

Motion to approve and authorize City Manager to sign the agreement.

MINUTE ORDER 03-203

- G. Award of Contract – Redwood City Police Department Lobby Remodel Project

Motion to approve the contract documents and award the contract for the Redwood City Police Department Lobby Remodel Project to the lowest responsible bidder, Coast Side Associates of Half Moon Bay, California, for their low bid of \$58,100.00, and reject all other bids. (304)

MINUTE ORDER 03-204

- H. Agreement with the Redwood City School District and the City of Redwood City for After School Program Services (304)

Motion to execute the agreement between the City of Redwood City and the Redwood City School District for 2003/2004. **MINUTE ORDER 03-205**

- I. Application to participate in the Large Landscape Water Conservation Audit Program (802)

By Motion, authorize funding in the amount of \$87,920.00, to continue participation in the Large Landscape Water Conservation Audit Program, for Fiscal Year 2003/2004. **MINUTE ORDER 03-206**

7.2 Section – Claims and Warrants

- A. Approve warrants dated through August 25, 2003 and usual and necessary payments through September 8, 2003; (301) **MINUTE ORDER 03-207**

7.3 Section – Ordinances (2nd Reading and Adoption)

- A. Adoption of 2003/04 Budget Ordinance (301)

ADOPT **ORDINANCE 2256** OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY ADOPTING THE FINAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2003 – JUNE 30, 2004; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE OF ALL SUMS SET FORTH IN SAID BUDGET; PROVIDING FOR EMERGENCY EXPENDITURES, TRANSFERS, ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS, CANCELLATIONS AND REAPPROPRIATIONS OF EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS; ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1-64 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2003 – JUNE 30, 2004; MAKING PROVISION FOR INTERIM EXPENDITURES AS OF JULY 1, 2003; AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2215, AND ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTION IN CONFLICT HEREWITH (*introduced on 8/11/03*)

- B. General Plan and Zoning Map Amendment for 20 Avondale Avenue (602)

ADOPT **ORDINANCE 1130-322** AMENDING ARTICLE 60, ZONING MAP NO. 11 (ARLINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD), OF ORDINANCE NO. 1130, THE REDWOOD CITY ZONING ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED, TO REZONE PROPERTY AT 20 AVONDALE AVENUE IN THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY FROM THE SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL-COMBINED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (*introduced on 8/11/03*)

9. MATTERS OF COUNCIL INTEREST

B. Appointments to the Planning Commission (3 three-year terms, expiring June 30, 2006). In roll call order, Council Members were polled by the City Clerk to vote for up to three applicants. (209)

- Julia Cheng
- A.D. Cline, Jr.
- Tom Cronin – *Council Members Hartnett, Howard, Pierce, Ruskin*
- Cecilia M. Ellis
- Dee Eva - Ira
- Rosanne Foust – *Council Members Hartnett, Howard, Pierce, Ruskin, Vice Mayor Ira, Mayor Claire*
- Henry T. Gaw
- Michael Hitchcock
- Rachel Holt
- Gabriella Judd
- Kenneth C. Knutsen
- Rudy Luca
- Robert Lyman
- Hilary Paulson – *Council Members Hartnett, Howard, Pierce, Ruskin, Vice Mayor Ira, Mayor Claire*
- Fred Thiemann – *Mayor Claire*
- Kristina Vetter
- Roy Yost

The three successful applicants were Tom Cronin, Rosanne Foust and Hilary Paulson.

MINUTE ORDER 03-208

Public Comment:

Rudy Luca stated he applied and was interviewed for the position on the Planning Commission. He stated that he was not told after the first interview that he did not make it and he found out on the internet.

Council Member Hartnett stated that the decision to appoint the Planning Commission members was publicly announced for tonight and it is done at the meeting. There is nothing announced on the City website as to the appointees because the decision was just made in public. He stated that the speaker, regrettably, consistently, based upon his comments on every subject he speaks about before the Council, fails to read the agenda and agenda packet, fails to recall what was done publicly in prior meetings that he attends.

Mayor Claire stated that a subcommittee of Council Members Jordan and Pierce formulated a process so that the Council could go through all of the applications and interview in a fair and equitable manner. Mayor Claire further explained the process agreed to in public and stated that all applicants, unless an applicant withdrew, were eligible to be voted upon.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Kaiser Permanente Master Plan – Precise Plan and New Planned Community Zoning District (602)

Senior Planner Riordan introduced the various staff and consultants available for questions and explained the purpose for the public hearing is for Council to approve three items: the findings resolution for the Kaiser EIR; rezoning of the Kaiser campus and approve a precise plan which includes a mitigation measure for traffic signals at Marshall and Maple. Senior Planner Riordan further explained the topic.

Terry Bottomley, City's Urban design Consultant, explained the project in detail.

Mayor Claire opened the public hearing.

Timothy Wong, Assistant Physician in Chief of Kaiser, Redwood City, Physician Member of Kaiser Oversight Group, practicing endocrinologist with Kaiser for 12 years, stated his excitement at the Council's potential approval of the precise plan. He stated as shown in the presentation there has been a great deal of work put into the proposal to achieve a plan that serves the interests of both Redwood City and Kaiser. He thanked everyone for the work.

Public Comment:

Pete Hughes, Board of Trustees Member of Casa de Redwood, stated that the parking garage and first phase of the plan is adjacent to the building. He stated that so far nobody at the facility has spoken with or been informed of the progress. He stated that Casa de Redwood supports Kaiser, but that some items may have an effect such as vibration, noise, traffic patterns and pedestrian patterns. He requested that they be allowed to give input in these areas.

Pauline Truscelli stated she has been a member of Kaiser for 56 years and Kaiser has served Redwood City for over 50 years. She stated that the hospice plan is exciting and has served on the task force. She further stated that Kaiser shuttles seniors between the senior center and Kaiser for appointments and she stated her happiness upon the potential approval of this project.

Rudy Luca agreed with Kaiser being in Redwood City and has been satisfied with the services. He asked that any impact to Casa de Redwood be considered and dealt with.

Janet Borgens stated her agreement with Mr. Hughes and the concerns of Casa de Redwood related to the residents' current difficulties getting across the street to K-Mart and other businesses. She stated that the closest crossing is at Maple Street and the shortest walk for them might be to cross the street where there is no crosswalk.

M/S Ira/Ruskin to close the public hearing. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote by those present.

Council comments and questions ensued that included a need for additional work on the architecture and concerns about construction noise. Kaiser was complimented for both accomplishing its objectives in serving its patients and the community while coming together with a plan that makes sense for the City in terms of its functional and esthetic impact on downtown and the entire City.

M/S Ruskin/Ira to:

1. Approve the resolution making findings concerning mitigation measures, project alternatives, a mitigation monitoring and reporting program and a statement of overriding considerations in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

ADOPT RESOLUTION 14549 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS CONCERNING MITIGATION MEASURES, ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM, MAKING FINDINGS CONCERNING ALTERNATIVES, AND ADOPTING A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FOR THE KAISER PERMANENTE REDWOOD CITY MEDICAL CENTER MASTER PLAN PROJECT FOR WHICH AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT HAS BEEN PREPARED.

The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote by those present with Council Member Jordan absent.

M/S Ruskin/Ira to:

2. Adopt an ordinance amending Article 60, Zoning Map No. 1 (Downtown Neighborhood) to rezone property at the Kaiser Downtown Medical Campus from "CA" (Commercial Administrative) and "CB" (Central Business) to "P" (Planned Community) zoning district.

ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 60, ZONING MAP NO. 1 (DOWNTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD), OF ORDINANCE NO. 1130, THE REDWOOD CITY ZONING ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED, TO REZONE PROPERTY AT THE KAISER PERMANENTE DOWNTOWN MEDICAL CAMPUS FROM THE CENTRAL

BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL ADMINISTRATIVE ZONING DISTRICTS TO THE
PLANNED COMMUNITY ZONING DISTRICT

**The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote by those present with
Council Member Jordan absent. MINUTE ORDER 03-208**

M/S Ruskin/Ira to:

3. Concurrently adopt an Ordinance approving the Precise Plan for the Downtown Medical Campus, with the addition of language to the capital improvement section, starting on page 36, specifying that a traffic signal be installed at Marshall and Maple Streets and that Kaiser will pay its fair share of such cost.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY,
ADOPTING THE DOWNTOWN MEDICAL CAMPUS PRECISE PLAN

**The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote by those present with
Council Member Jordan absent. MINUTE ORDER 03-209**

**B. Proposed Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance relating to provisions of Child
Care Facilities**

Principal Planner Passanisi explained that in addition to the ordinance update that includes definitions and adding Article 39, consideration of revised provisions for large family day care homes was also being presented. He explained the three State options stating that conditions must be limited to reasonable standards on parking, traffic control, noise, spacing and concentration. He continued to explain the time line from 1991.

Council asked various questions.

Public Comment:

Robert Hoffman stated that in representing the Maxwell Lane homeowners he is strongly recommending Option #3 which gives the residents in the community some voice in the matter. The other options provide residents with no voice at all. He referred to the staff report of February 28, 2000 and the ordinance passed by City Council at that time giving background on his research. He stated that the ordinance adopted was Option #3, calling for notification of residents within 100 feet and an appeal process. He strongly urged the Council to support Option #3 in the State Law for whatever change in the ordinance is to be made.

Paul Sanfilipo gave the history on the issue when he served on the Planning Commission. He stated that each time it was considered, the Planning

Commission chose Option #3 so that the citizens would have some input and that his recollection is that the same was adopted by the City Council .

Ralph Nobles stated he came to advocate to the Council for the discretionary use permit or Option #3. He stated that the Council still makes the final decision and it provides democracy.

Sally Cadigan from the Child Care Coordinating Council stated she was highlighting a letter from the San Mateo County Child Care Partnership Council (Attachment #6) dated June 3, 2003. She explained that family child care is a key part of the child care supply in the community and that large family child care is more financially viable than smaller centers. The large center operators are more like to have attained college credits and therefore, specialized training in child development and more likely to utilize resources to care for low income children such as subsidies. She urged Council to choose the next best alternative, the non-discretionary permit.

David H. Wolfskill recalled his involvement in a dispute with a family daycare home operator regarding the operator's use of Mr. Wolfskill's front yard in furtherance of operation of the family day care from January 1996 through December 1997. He stated that the condition was alleviated after spending two years and over \$85,000.00. He strongly encouraged Council to select the sole option provided by the State that provides the slightest notification of a subset of potentially affected neighbors, Option #3. He stated that he would support a less onerous option if it preserved the right of potentially affected neighbors' notification.

Veronica Glaser, a large day care family provider in Redwood City, stated she was present to support the child care providers. She described her history as a child care provider for three years and that she has a nice working relationship with her neighbors, the neighbors enjoy the children, there are elderly people who live nearby and there is a retirement home from which residents walk by and enjoy the children. She stated that there is harmony in the neighborhood and that traffic is not an issue in that drop off occurs at various times in the morning and pick-up begins at 4:00. She encouraged working together and communicating.

Lillian Clark stated that she was a parent affected by the lack of child care 8 years ago and had two weeks to place 70 children in the city and there were no slots available. She stated that parents with school age children can be accommodated at large day care centers and that it should be less restricted.

Nita Spangler stated that the problem is the cul-de-sac is poorly designed with a tight fit that enters out to Alameda de las Pulgas making it difficult to get in and out of when school lets out. She stated that it is not a very good place for people to

deliver and pick-up small children and that the people should be involved in the decision.

Rudy Luca agreed with Option #3 so that the people have a right to a hearing to express views on why they do or do not approve. Whether there are restrictions or not, the problem exists because the right option is not in place. There are problems to be considered and the only way to approach that is to have a hearing.

Shannon Lee Collins, a family child care provider, stated that it is difficult to get people to come out and make a stand when something works. She stated that young families depend on it and love coming to a home based center in their community. It is a misperception that these are large centers and she stated that there is a limit on the growth and most providers do not care for the maximum of 14 children due to scheduling and other considerations. She urged that Option #1 is the best and Option #2 would be the next best alternative.

Lori de Martini stated that she is a day care provider in Belmont where there are conditional use permits, therefore, there are very few child care spots available and she often times needs to refer clients outside of the Belmont area. She stated that she charges higher rates than most Redwood City providers because of the limited openings in the area. She stated that there is a 40% turnover which would mean conducting many hearings before the City Council and encouraged studying how this might encourage or discourage future providers.

Mayor Claire explained that the issues mentioned by Mr. Wolfskill were land use problems where the front yard had an easement across it that was owned by his next door neighbors who were using it as a driveway to get to a garage many years ago. The problem had more to do with many cars sitting right in his front yard that he did not own.

Mayor Claire asked various questions of staff. Council comments included that it is important that residents have the opportunity to discuss concerns and Option #3 will encourage working toward consensus with neighbors.

M/S Hartnett/Ira to adopt Option #3, involving a modified conditional use permit process with a public notice and hearing to approve large family day care homes. A draft ordinance to be prepared and placed on a future consent calendar. **The motion passed by a majority roll call vote with Mayor Claire voting no and Council Member Jordan absent.**

MINUTE ORDER 03-210

9. MATTERS OF COUNCIL INTEREST

- A. **Legislation (information only)** - This sub-section involves possible discussion of City Position on Proposed Legislation described in the League of California Cities Priority Focus Bulletin No. 31-2003 and No. 32-2003. Council may direct staff to

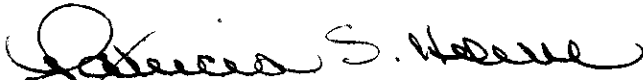
act on positions taken by Council. (Copies of League of California Cities Priority Focus available in City Clerk's Department.)

B. Vice Mayor Ira – provided to Council the most current report of the State legislation that C/CAG and its Legislative Committee has addressed. The report reflects 75% support from Assembly Members Simitian and Mullin.

10. ADJOURNMENT – 10:05 p.m.

M/S Ira/Howard to adjourn until the next City Council meeting of September 8, 2003 in memory of former Redwood City Police Sergeant Donald E. Wilkes who recently passed away. Sergeant Wilkes retired from Redwood City in 1983 after serving many years in the Police Department. **The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote by those present.**

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia S. Howe, CMC
City Clerk