

**Partnership Academy for Community Teamwork (P.A.C.T.) reception took place at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Lobby**

REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL  
JUNE 6, 2005  
7:00 P.M.

**1. CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 P.M.**

**2. ROLL CALL**

Council Members Present: Aguirre, Bain, Foust, Hartnett, Howard, Vice Mayor  
Pierce and Mayor Ira

Staff Present: City Manager Everett, City Clerk Howe, City Attorney Yamamoto,  
Senior Civil Engineer Lee, Economic Development Coordinator  
Webb, Redevelopment Manager Moeller, Downtown Development  
Coordinator Zack, Financial Services Director Ponty, Fire Chief  
Kohlmann, Public Communications Manager Smith, Volunteer  
Balsamo

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Rosanne Foust, Council Member**

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

**5. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY – P.A.C.T. Graduation Ceremony**

Mayor Ira and Vice Mayor Pierce thanked and congratulated the P.A.C.T. graduates and presented them with certificates. Public Communications Manager Malcolm Smith stated that the next P.A.C.T. session begins on September 7 and will be held on Wednesday evenings. Applications will be accepted beginning in mid July and information can be found on the City website in the near future.

Mayor Ira announced the City E-News that gives current information such as the Live in Downtown Concerts on Friday nights beginning on June 17, summer concert series at Stafford Park starting on June 29, and other events. Other areas of information are also announced such as high efficiency toilets, retail cinema construction street detours and vacancies on various boards, committees and commissions with a deadline of June 24. He encouraged the community to sign-up for E-News on the City website.

## **6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS AND CONSENT CALENDAR**

M/S Foust/Bain 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.**

Ralph Nobles spoke on behalf of the "No on Q Committee" which has now merged with "The Friends of Redwood City". He stated that a Redwood City issues forum is being sponsored in the main library community room on Thursday, June 30 from 7-9 p.m. He stated that the purpose of the forum is to provide voters an opportunity to help define a debate and voice their concerns before decisions are made and prepare for the November election. For facilitation, the meeting will be organized around general discussion categories that includes transportation/traffic; housing; bay front issues; Marina Shores; Seaport Boulevard Salt ponds; downtown height and density; water supply rates and reliability; recycled water and miscellaneous topics. Background information can be found at [www.forwc.org](http://www.forwc.org). RSVP is appreciated and refreshments will be served, telephone no. 369-7268.

Greg Greenway, representing the Redwood City/San Mateo County Chamber of Commerce announced an event scheduled for June 24, Progress Seminar Remixed, is a follow-up to the annual Progress Seminar. It will be held at the Oracle Conference Center from 7:30-11:30 a.m. He also announced the Leadership Program that is an adult education course that is a commitment of once a month for 9 months dealing with such topics as education, healthcare, housing, transportation and public safety. The Chamber phone no. is 364-1722 and the website is [www.redwoodcitychamber.com](http://www.redwoodcitychamber.com).

Mayor Ira stated that the Council and City Manager have received questions regarding the Cargill Lands and that it is important to address the issue. He stated that the study session set for June 13 regards guiding principles so the issue is not appropriate for discussion at that time. He asked that staff report back to Council on the history of the overlay, analysis of whether the criteria used for the overlay is still in effect and required and any legal issues related to removing the overlay.

**6.1 Section – Motions**

- A. Approve the minutes of the May 23, 2005 City Council meeting as submitted; (301)

**MINUTE ORDER 05-99**

**6.2 Section – Claims and Warrants**

- A. Approve warrants dated through May 23, 2005 and usual and necessary payments through June 6, 2005; (303)

**MINUTE ORDER 05-100**

**6.3 Section – Resolutions**

- A. Countywide National Pollution Discharge Elimination (NPDES) General Program, Stormwater Management Plan

**Recommendation:**

Adopt the resolution authorizing the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, acting as the governing board of the San Mateo County Flood Control District, to impose charges on parcels of real property in Redwood City necessary to fund the Countywide NPDES General Program in Fiscal Year 2005-2006. (802)

**ADOPT RESOLUTION 14646 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY RECOMMENDING THAT THE SAN MATEO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT IMPOSE BASIC AND ADDITIONAL CHARGES FOR FUNDING THE EXPANDED SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE 2005-06 COUNTYWIDE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) GENERAL PROGRAM**

**6.4 Section – Ordinances (*Introduction/First Reading*)**

- A. Restatement and Adoption of Franchise Collection Services Agreement with BFI Waste Systems of North America, Inc.

Council Member Foust asked for an explanation of a paragraph on page 6.4A-3, stating that the SBWMA voted 11-0-1 (the County abstained) to approve a resolution directing the SBWMA staff to begin the work necessary to prepare a request for proposals (RFP) for solid waste and recycling services. City Manager Everett stated that part of the agreement is to move forward with an RFP for trash pick-up four years out. This ensures that at the end of the extension there is a formal bidding process for trash collection which should yield some economies and efficiencies, while the competition should lead to a better price and service.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the City Council introduce the attached ordinance approving adoption of the amended and restated Franchise Agreement for Solid

Waste, Recyclable Materials and Plant Materials Collection Services between the City of Redwood City and BFI Waste Systems of North America, extending the Agreement by four years until December 31, 2010.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY ADOPTING THE AMENDED AND RESTATED FRANCHISE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY AND BFI WASTE SYSTEMS OF NORTH AMERICA, INC. ("BFI") FOR SOLID WASTE, RECYCLABLE MATERIALS, COMMERCIAL ORGANIC MATERIALS, AND PLANT MATERIALS COLLECTION SERVICES (803)  
**MINUTE ORDER 05-101**

## 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

### A. Water Utility Service Rates and Charges

Public Works Services Director Ingram gave the background on the water rate increase process that involved the Utilities Committee working with staff on recommendations and eliciting community input prior to development of a recommendation. He further explained the Utilities Committee recommendation and the impacts on customers.

Council Members asked various questions and thanked the Utilities Committee and staff for the report.

Mayor Ira opened the public hearing.

Public Comment:

Andy Talbot asked what the average single family dwelling usage is and what the dollar amount per unit is.

PWS Director Ingram stated that the average bill would be \$61.72 per billing period which is a two-month statement.

M/S Aguirre/Pierce to close the public hearing. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

### Recommendation:

M/S Howard/Foust to approve the following:

1. Introduce ordinance amending Redwood City Code – Section 38.5 – Water Basic Service Charge

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 38.5 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY RELATING TO WATER SERVICE CHARGES AND FEES (802)  
**MINUTE ORDER 05-102**

2. Adopt a resolution amending Section 3 of the Rules and Regulations of the Redwood City Water Department (Public Works Services Department) related to water rates

**RESOLUTION 14647** AMENDING SECTION 3 OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE REDWOOD CITY WATER DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES DEPARTMENT) RELATING TO WATER RATES; AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 14598

3. By resolution, adopt water enterprise guiding principles and rescind all prior adopted principles, as those principles may have been amended from time to time.

**RESOLUTION 14648** OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY ADOPTING WATER ENTERPRISE GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND RESCINDING ALL PRIOR ADOPTED PRINCIPLES, AS THOSE PRINCIPLES MAY HAVE BEEN AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME

**The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.**

## **8. STAFF REPORTS**

### **A. Downtown Parking Management Plan**

Downtown Development Coordinator Zack explained the background and workshops conducted on the Plan with the Downtown business community. He explained that this is the time for input and direction with the ordinance scheduled to return to Council on July 11, 2005. He further explained recommendations 1-5 in detail utilizing a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the City Clerk's Department).

Council asked various questions and commented on the Plan.

#### **Public Comment:**

John Anagnostou stated that there will be two downtowns, a daytime and nighttime. He strongly encouraged studying the agreement with the Cinema developer, education of the community, signage, permits without penalization while applauding the creativity involved.

Billy James referred to a proposed plan to charge library patrons a parking fee of \$.50 per hour and suggested a validation option be applied. He further stated that if we provide bicycle lanes and sidewalks, the people will come, and that is a way to relieve congestion downtown. He stated that it would benefit City employees to park further away and his final point was to request the sign prohibiting bicycles

from entering the Marshall Street parking lot be removed and bicycle racks be provided.

Hilary Paulson, Planning Commission Chair and Downtown Advisory Group member, Commended staff and stated two concerns. The first concern was spill over parking into the Mezes and Stambaugh-Heller. The second concern is the desire to not penalize the families using the library.

Adrian Brandt suggested the option of a parking cash out program for employees that could provide for an incentive to split the value of a permit so that the employee receives a portion of the value and agrees to utilize public transit. This would equate to the City buying a spot that can then be sold at market rates for even more people coming into town. He encouraged the use of a grace period and offered the example of Caltrain's recent method. He supported the Plan.

Don Wilson stated that he has tried to obtain a clear understanding of the agreement with Mr. Imer and whether parking really means free parking. He stated that the parking plan is good and the concept to adopt market rate parking is good. His concern is that there would be two classes served by the Plan with retail/cinema patrons entitled to free parking and everyone else paying market rate.

Pat Taviss, a member of the Downtown Advisory Group commended staff's team and commented on the library and employee parking lot stating that when the restaurants went in across the street, as early as 11:00 a.m., people would pay the meter and the lot and jaywalk across. With the smartcard system, she expressed hope that a library card might be read and provide for validation. She stated the disadvantage that the employee parking at the library is visible and the parking behind City Hall is invisible and asked if the fleet vehicles could be parked elsewhere to allow for metered or validated parking for library patrons. She stated that the traffic flow must be considered pointing to the intersection of Jefferson and Middlefield that does not encourage people to easily maneuver across the four corners. She summarized that while individual pieces of the Plan are good; putting them together makes sense and provides a good plan.

Kim Wilkins stated that her family owns the building at 702 Marshall Street, adjacent to the Marshall Street parking garage and in 1994 a settlement agreement was reached with the City after eminent domain proceedings. She stated that the agreement provided for parking spaces for the building and she estimated that 170 spaces are needed during business hours. She further stated that the building is occupied up to 90% by attorneys who often work until 7:00 p.m.

Council comments included acknowledging staff's extensive research and benchmarking. The need for more information before July 11 in order to react before consideration of the ordinance was expressed; general support for the 5

recommendations; the need for more information on the permit options; exploration of the smart card; meter system must be easy and simple for the patron; working with the neighborhood associations on a plan for possible spillover into the neighborhoods; more information on library patron validation, fleet parking and employee parking during off hours; exploration of the cash out concept; promotion and marketing opportunities to be explored along with working with the Peninsula Congestion Relief Alliance on public transit. Council stated that the Plan expands the downtown core and creates a better retail environment, economic opportunity, and a heightened sense of safety and security due to the parking being extended outward. Signage coordination is absolutely critical, encouragement of pedestrian and bicycle friendliness was expressed and the need to be flexible as the Plan will be a dynamic document changing as the needs for downtown change.

**Recommendation:**

Received the Downtown Parking Management Plan ("The Plan") and provided input and direction related to the plan in anticipation of introduction and consideration of appropriate ordinances and resolutions on July 11, 2005 necessary for the implementation of recommended changes. **(703)**

**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. 20-2005. 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. Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency and San Francisco Bay Area Regional Water System Financing Authority**

Mayor Ira stated that Richard Claire has served on both boards of directors and requested Council's support to appoint him to serve for the two four-year terms commencing on July 1, 2005.

**Recommendation:**

Hartnett/Pierce to appoint Richard Claire to the four year appointments to the boards of directors of the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) and San Francisco Bay Area Regional Water System Financing Authority (RFA), commencing July 1, 2005. **The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. (209)** **MINUTE ORDER 05-103**

- C. **Mayor Ira** – stated that various developers have expressed interest in converting apartments to condominiums. He stated that the cities having implemented housing conversion are increasing the stock of ownership units and there is always a 15% dedication to low and moderate housing. He requested staff analyze other cities, explore any restrictions that might exist and determine the feasibility of such a program.

**10. ADJOURNMENT – 10:00 p.m.**

M/S Howard/Hartnett to adjourn until the next Joint City Council, Planning Commission, and Architectural Review Committee meeting of June 13, 2005 in memory of John Boyle. Mr. Boyle died on June 5, 2005 after crossing and building many bridges before settling in Redwood City for 33 years. He leaves behind his wife, sons, daughter and grandsons.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia S. Howe  
City Clerk