

MAYOR BARBARA PIERCE
VICE MAYOR ROSANNE FOUST

MINUTES

COUNCIL MEMBER ALICIA C. AGUIRRE
COUNCIL MEMBER IAN BAIN
COUNCIL MEMBER JIM HARTNETT
COUNCIL MEMBER DIANE HOWARD
COUNCIL MEMBER JEFF IRA

1017 MIDDLEFIELD ROAD
REDWOOD CITY, CA

JOINT CITY COUNCIL REGULAR/
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING
March 27, 2006
7:00 P.M.

The City Council Meeting and Redevelopment Agency Meeting were called to order simultaneously.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

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

Council Members Absent: Bain

Staff Present: City Manager Everett, Police Chief Bolanos, City Clerk Howe, City Attorney Yamamoto, Assistant City Attorney Aranda, Financial Services Director Ponty, Traffic Engineer Haygood, Volunteer Balsamo

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Jim Hartnett, Council Member

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

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS AND CONSENT CALENDAR - CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

M/S Foust/Howard 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 Bain absent.**

Sandy Paoli stated that the Redwood City School District was gracious to sponsor her for the Redwood City/SMC Chamber leadership program of which she is a 2005 graduate. She stated that during that program she was exposed to many opportunities within the City of Redwood City. During graduation, Vice Mayor Foust was the speaker exuding excitement and encouragement to find what one is passionate about. She stated that her passion is around safety and preparedness so she followed through with the community emergency response team class that San Carlos offers. She talked with Fire Chief Kohlmann who connected her with other concerned citizens and she is pleased that there has been a positive response and interest, core meetings have occurred and the expectation is to present the first proposal and implementation of a community emergency response program beginning in September.

Cherlene Wright thanked all for attending the Redwood City Education Gala this year. She stated that she is pleased to report that over \$55,000. has been raised and that it was a successful event due to the fact that Council Members supported and participated in various ways.

Stacey Wagner, representing the Redwood City/San Mateo County Chamber of Commerce, announced that Thursday, March 30 is Good Morning Redwood City at the Sequoia Club, the program being the Downtown Update, Parks for the Future, and a Redwood City real estate update. The second announcement is that the 37th Annual Progress Seminar is almost to capacity registration and will be held on April 7-9. Anyone wishing to register should contact the Chamber.

Vice Mayor Foust thanked both speakers Sandy Paoli and Cherlene Wright stating on behalf of her colleagues that it is appreciated when they hear that programs such as those mentioned are appreciated in the community.

6.1 Section – Motions -

- A. Approve the Joint City Council/Redevelopment Agency meeting minutes of February 27, 2006, as submitted (301) MINUTE ORDER 06-54**

- B. Agreement with the Redwood School District and the City of Redwood City for increased Recreation Coordinator time at John Gill School

Council Member Aguirre acknowledged that John Gill School has received this grant for after school programs and her hope that there will be opportunity for other schools.

Recommendation:

Execute the Agreement between the City of Redwood City and the Redwood City School District. (304) **MINUTE ORDER 06-55**

- C. Approval of Professional Services Agreement – Kennedy/Jenks Consultants – Redwood City Recycled Water Project – Phase I – Distribution System Design – Skyway and Seaport Project Area

Recommendation:

Approve and authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Kennedy/Jenks Consultants of San Francisco, California relating to the Recycled Water Project – Phase 1 – Distribution System Design – Skyway and Seaport Project Area, in an amount not to exceed \$546,400.00. (304)

MINUTE ORDER 06-56

- D. Parcel Map No. 2005-08 for 338 Orchard Avenue

Recommendation:

Approve Parcel Map No. 2005-08, and accept the dedication of a Public Service Easement (606) **MINUTE ORDER 06-57**

- E. Consultant Agreements for the Downtown Precise Plan EIR - **CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

Recommendation:

1. Rescind letter agreement dated February 17, 2006 with Wagstaff and Associates for preliminary work on the Downtown Precise Plan Environmental Impact Report (“EIR”) not to exceed \$60,000
2. Approve an agreement with Wagstaff and Associates for the complete scope of work to prepare the Downtown Precise Plan EIR not to exceed \$248,380.
3. Approve an agreement with Nolte Associates, Inc. to prepare the Utility and Services System Section of the Downtown Precise Plan EIR not to exceed \$124,452. (304)

MINUTE ORDER 06-58
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- F. The purchase of 16 pole-mounted speed display signs for placement in school zones.

Recommendation:

City Council authorize the purchase of 16 pole-mounted "Speed Check" speed display signs from the Information Display Company for placement in school zones. The signs will cost \$75,996 and are fully reimbursable through our current Office of Traffic Safety Grant # PS 0628. **(702)** **MINUTE ORDER 06-60**

6.2 Section – Resolutions

- A. Fiscal Year 2005/2006 Appropriation Revisions

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council approve, by resolution, appropriating and transferring certain funds for specified purposes to conform the budgeted amounts to actual expenditures approved for transactions, which have occurred during fiscal year 2005/2006. **(501)**

RESOLUTION 14698 APPROPRIATING AND TRANSFERRING CERTAIN FUNDS FOR SPECIFIED PURPOSES TO CONFORM BUDGETED AMOUNTS TO ACTUAL EXPENDITURES DURING FY 2005/06

- B. Resolution supporting placement of a proposed constitutional amendment on the November 2006 statewide ballot to ensure 2002 Proposition 42 gasoline tax revenues are used exclusively for their intended state and local transportation purposes, and to reinforce the requirement to reimburse local governments for such funds previously diverted by the state.

Recommendation:

Adopt the resolution supporting placement of the proposed constitutional amendment on the November 2006 statewide ballot. **(307)**

RESOLUTION 14699 SUPPORTING PLACEMENT OF A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ON THE NOVEMBER 2006 STATEWIDE BALLOT TO ENSURE 2002 PROPOSITION 42 REVENUES ARE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THEIR INTENDED STATE AND LOCAL TRANSPORTATION PURPOSES AND TO REIMBURSE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR SUCH FUNDS PREVIOUSLY DIVERTED BY THE STATE

6.3 Section – Ordinances (Second Reading)

- A. **ORDINANCE 2296** OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY ESTABLISHING MAY 1, 2006, AS THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF AMENDMENTS TO SECTIONS 20.96 THROUGH 20.96.21 OF CHAPTER 20, ARTICLE VII, OF THE REDWOOD CITY MUNICIPAL CODE, AS ADOPTED ON JULY 25, 2005 (*First Reading February 13, 2006*) **(305)**

6.4 Section – Claims and Warrants

- A. Approve warrants dated through March 27, 2006 and usual and necessary payments through April 3, 2006. **(303)** **MINUTE ORDER 06-60**

7. STAFF REPORTS

- A. Missed Collections by Allied Waste Industries

Finance Director Ponty provided an update on complaints of missed garbage and recycling collections due to scheduling changes that occurred on February 6, 2006.

Public Comment:

Nancy Terranova, speaking as a board member of a townhouse association located near Sequoia High School, stated that she has placed three calls to Allied Waste to schedule a clean-up day and has received no response. She asked for assistance with process.

Council concerns involved complaints being received but not checked for validity, but that most concern involves area wide or blocks of missed service. Comments included that all three recommendations would not take a great amount of time, but that it should focus on full streets and blocks. Regarding the March 16 meeting to discuss the request for proposal development the desire to hear a briefing about the process, next steps, concerns and the need for guidelines was expressed.

Recommendation:

M/S Hartnett/Ira to direct staff to: 1) review the Hilton, Farnkopf and Hobson findings and return to Council to report and make recommendations; 2) for a temporary period of time that a City employee(s) be assigned to both respond to

complaints of larger misses and to randomly for a temporary period of time check in areas for major misses; 3) a briefing be made to Council regarding the Request for Proposal process with SBWMA. (803)

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote by those present.

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B. Engine Company 9 Service Impact Report (705)

Fire Chief Kohlmann provided the context to his staff report utilizing a PowerPoint presentation (on file).

Council questions ensued regarding the drop from 85% to 82% in hitting the five minute response time and any impacts in resulting service. Encouraging of prevention was stated as well as the desire for staff to gather data from San Mateo for the 3 months prior and after the opening of their Cinema in preparation for the Retail Cinema opening in downtown. Council requested in the budget package, a proposal with the price of a phased Engine 9 reinstatement.

Public Comment:

John Wise, representing the Boy Scouts of America as a merit badge counselor, stated that in the audience are 12 scouts working toward their Eagle Scout badges in communication. They are attending the meeting, taking notes, writing and report and sending letters from their point of view on the proceedings. The two items: Engine Company 9 Service Report and the Downtown Law Enforcement Plan were chosen as very exciting topics by the scouts.

Council thanked both Chiefs Kohlmann and Bolanos for the thorough reports pointing to the fact that both departments are integrated into the community and when referring to the downtown plan, emergency preparedness and the community as a whole, it is an integrated system.

C. Downtown Law Enforcement Plan

Police Captain Matuszak gave a summary of the retail cinema complex and Courthouse Plaza project and the law enforcement plan stating that 1.5 million more people are expected to come to downtown Redwood City. He continued explaining the plan utilizing a PowerPoint presentation (on file).

Council comments included that a police presence will be important with the anticipate activity in the downtown and the need to know that the plan is not a compromise but exactly what meets the anticipated needs. Questions about gang activity before and after in San Mateo were asked. The idea of the surveillance system is excellent and publicizing that information would be important because a main difference is that Redwood City will have the plaza. It was also suggested that an estimate might be sought to provide surveillance in the underground and

Marshall Street parking lots. The volunteer group concept was appreciated as a positive and welcoming friendly face to Redwood City.

Public Comment:

Nancy Terranova stated that a comprehensive plan is important so that the crime does not move and spread to the outlying areas given the train station proximity to the downtown.

Council Member Hartnett stated in making the recommendation, he is hoping that a large portion of the funding will come from the parking management fund. As with the Fire Engine 9 reinstatement, there will be significant General Fund impact

Recommendation:

M/S Hartnett/Ira to approve the hiring of three police officers, three part time parking enforcement officers and overtime funds to provide enhanced police services to support the revitalization of downtown. **(706) MINUTE ORDER 06-62**

8. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Transportation Impact Fee Ordinance Amendment – Deletion of the Three Vacancy Limit for Credits

Traffic Engineer Haygood explained the reason for the amendment to the Transportation Impact Fee.

Council asked various questions.

Mayor Pierce opened the public hearing.

Public Comment:

Bill Devine, representing the Aho family who are owners of the Emerald Market, stated the market's presence will do much in keeping traffic in the area rather than onto El Camino Real. He stated that the surveys in the neighborhood about the opening of the market produced positive remarks. He further requested approval of an early pick-up of building permits in order to begin construction and move forward based on the ordinance amendment provisions, if approved by Council. He cited monetary concerns related to potential delays related to weather should the applicants need to wait for the ordinance to be in place. He further thanked the Council and staff for the time and effort on this subject.

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

Council asked questions related to the possibility of meeting the request of the Aho family. City Attorney Yamamoto responded with the explanation of the ordinance and statute and law requirements stating that he could return with information at the second reading regarding the request.

Recommendation:

M/S Howard/Ira to approve the recommended amendment to Section 18.249 C.1 of the City Code, which would delete the requirement that existing structures must have been occupied within the past three years to receive a credit for prior use in determining Transportation Impact Fee payment. **(305)**

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 18.249 OF ARTICLE XV TO CHAPTER 18 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEES FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT

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

M/S Hartnett/Foust to introduce an amendment to the transportation impact fee ordinance that allows for a refund of traffic mitigation fees paid from today's date to the effective date of the ordinance previously introduced and approved for those projects which would have paid the transportation mitigation fee based upon the vacancy of the premises for the time period stated in the current ordinance.

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

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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. 9 -2006, 10-2006 and 11-2006. 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. Council Member Aguirre** – invited the City and departments able to participate in the Annual KinderCaminata on April 28 at Canada College. A booth with any of the City workers would be extraordinary for the 1,500 students that will be in attendance.

- C. **Council Member Howard** – invited the community to join the Pride & Beautification in celebrating Earth Day on April 22 where the focus will be on cleaning up Redwood Creek and the nearby waterways, as well as the Historic Union Cemetery. Folks should meet at the Public Works Yard on Broadway and Woodside Road at 8:30 a.m. The clean-up ends at noon where a donated lunch is served.
- D. **Vice Mayor Foust** – serves on the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (TA) representing the South County area. She stated that the TA is finalizing the strategic plan for the last four years of the original Measure “A”, which is the quarter-cent sales tax and with that the TA is gearing up for the strategic plan for the renewed Measure “A”. As a Council and city, she encouraged writing a letter to the TA addressed to John Lee as the Chair, along with the entire Board, also including John Hurley, Executive Director, as a statement of interest. The letter would outline the City projects that were on the original Measure “A” funding program and those planned for the renewed Measure “A” so that documentation of Redwood City’s interests exists in plans for the future.
- E. **Mayor Pierce** – stated that on a future agenda she would like to place consideration of confirming moving forward with the exploration of ferry service in Redwood City consistent with Council priorities as requested by letter from the Port of Redwood City. She also stated that recently she and Vice Mayor Foust attended a conference where they learned about smart growth and the more sustainable forms of formed based codes pertaining to storm water management.

10. **ADJOURNMENT** – 9:25 p.m.

M/S Ira/Foust to adjourn until the next City Council meeting of April 3, 2006. **The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote by those present.**

Council Member Hartnett requested adjournment in memory of Redwood City Police Captain Dale Switzer who passed away. He served 30 years in the department in various positions and received numerous commendations including the Medal of Valor. His contributions to the community are immeasurable and he leaves a void with his death although his brother Steve Switzer is a tremendous member of the Police Department. Adjournment is requested in recognition of Captain Dale Switzer’s dedication to the community and public service.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia S. Howe