

COUNCIL MEMBERS

MAYOR, JEFF IRA
VICE MAYOR, BARBARA PIERCE

COUNCIL MEMBER, IAN BAIN
COUNCIL MEMBER, ROSANNE FOUST
COUNCIL MEMBER, JIM HARTNETT
COUNCIL MEMBER, DIANE HOWARD
COUNCIL MEMBER, IRA RUSKIN



MINUTES

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CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

JOINT MEETING
CITY COUNCIL AND
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
NOVEMBER 22, 2004
7:00 P.M.

******A RECEPTION IN HONOR OF OUTGOING COUNCIL MEMBER IRA RUSKIN WAS HELD IN THE CITY HALL FOYER DIRECTLY AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING******

1. **CALL TO ORDER – 7:02 P.M.**

2. **ROLL CALL**

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

Staff Present: City Manager Everett, Assistant City Manager
González, City Clerk Howe, Deputy City Clerk Conly,
City Attorney Yamamoto, Assistant City Attorney
Brower, Fire Chief Kohlmann, Fire Marshall Vella, Fire
Battalion Chief Skinner, Police Chief Bolanos,
Administrative Sergeant Harper, Public Works Services
Director Ingram, Volunteer Balsamo

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Ira Ruskin, Council Member**

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

4a. **SPECIAL ORDERS**

**DRAFT –
NOT FOR CITATION**

Mayor Ira acknowledged Council Member Howard for 10 years of service, Vice Mayor Pierce for 5 years of service and Council Member Hartnett for 10 years of service.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS AND CONSENT CALENDAR

Maria Diaz Vivian thanked Council Member Ruskin for the many years of service to the community on behalf of the Latino community, in particular, and on behalf of the minority community and the Stambaugh-Heller Neighborhood Association of Redwood City. She stated that he has served the city well, has been a voice to speak at times of concern such as when the Jewish temple was vandalized. She expressed her hope that Council Member Ruskin serves the State of California as well as he has the citizens of Redwood City and takes the ethical status that is so much a part of him. She stated that the residents of Santa Clara are really benefiting because he is a top notch, quality and ethical man who has been her friend over the years. She stated that he has also mentored members of the Council that will continue to serve the City well and although going to the State level, Council Member Ruskin will still serve Redwood City.

M/S Hartnett/Foust 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.**

5.1 Section – Motions

- A. Approve the Joint City Council and Redevelopment Agency Meeting minutes of November 8, 2004 as submitted; **MINUTE ORDER 04-210**
- B. 2004-2005 Cost Shared Sidewalk Repair Project

Recommendation:

By Motion, ratify the annulment of the award of contract to J.W. Riley and Son, Inc., of Emeryville, CA, for the 2004-2005 Cost Shared Sidewalk Repair Project, in the amount of \$279,500.00, and award the contract for the 2004-2005 Cost Shared Sidewalk Repair Project to Vanguard Construction, Inc., of Oakland, CA (the second lowest bid) in the amount of \$336,250.00. **MINUTE ORDER 04-211**

- C. Award of Contract – Seaport Block Wall and Sewer Pump Stations Improvement Project – ***continued from November 8, 2004***

Recommendation:

Approve the Contract Documents, and award the contract for the Seaport Centre Block Wall Repair and Sewer Pump Stations Improvement Project, to the lowest responsible bidder, Bamer Construction of Castro Valley, California, for their low base bid of \$368,975.00. **MINUTE ORDER 04-212**

5.2 Section – Final Acceptances

A. Final Acceptance – Construction of Improvements at 490 El Camino Real

Recommendation:

1. Accept, by motion, the construction improvements at 490 El Camino Real, and release the bonds following the submission of a Maintenance Bond in the amount of \$40,000.00, in accordance with paragraph 9 of the Agreement.
2. Direct the City Clerk to accept on behalf of the City, the Grant of Sidewalk Easement and the Grant of Public Service Easement from SFP Whipple, LLC, and to record a Certificate of Acceptance with the Grant Deeds, in the office of the San Mateo County Recorder. **MINUTE ORDER 04-213**

5.3 Section – Claims and Warrants

- A. Approve warrants dated through November 22, 2004 and usual and necessary payments through December 6, 2004; **MINUTE ORDER 04-214****

5.4 Section – Resolutions

A. Disposal of Surplus Property

Recommendation:

Approve a resolution declaring various vehicles and equipment surplus.

RESOLUTION 14616 DECLARING CERTAIN DESCRIBED CITY-OWNED PROPERTY SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING SALE THEREOF

B. Conflict of Interest Code Adoption – City and Redevelopment Agency – *CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY*

Recommendation:

1. Adopt City Council resolution and exhibits adopting the City's Conflict of Interest Code.

RESOLUTION 14617 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY RE-ADOPTING THE CITY'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NOS. 9007, 9753, 10699, 11361, 11761, 12231, 12796, 13381, AND 14017

2. Adopt Redevelopment Agency resolution with exhibits adopting the Agency's Conflict of Interest Code.

RESOLUTION RD 04-04 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE REDWOOD CITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY RE-ADOPTING THE AGENCY'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. RD 87-04 AND RELATED RESOLUTIONS

M/S Ruskin/Pierce to adjourn the Redevelopment Agency Meeting. **The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.**

6. STAFF REPORTS

A. Emergency Preparedness Plan

Fire Chief Kohlmann made the PowerPoint presentation that included explanation of the organizational structure, chain of command and functional responsibilities.

Council Members asked various questions and made comments. Comments included a request that staff compose a summary document of the presentation to send out to the neighborhood association newsletters, the PTA's, schools and other places where the community might access the information. Council Member Foust thanked Chief Kohlmann and Battalion Chief Skinner for their assistance in the certification of Redwood City employee Juan Ochoa who is part of the Friendly Acres neighborhood. She further commended Mr. Ochoa and Brian Mulver from San Mateo County.

Public Comment:

Janet Borgens stated that Friendly Acres does have a great emergency bin that contains various available items. It was co-sponsored by the neighborhood and initiated by Bonnie Miller's obtaining a grant. She asked if there would be any further action in reinstating the NERT program which is the Neighborhood Emergency Response Team. She referred to the system in Palo Alto model of notifying people via telephone in an emergency.

Maria Diaz Vivian spoke of the NERT program and her experience with it stating that she received a lot of practical experience. She stressed that the neighborhoods need assistance from the City to obtain further grants for certification and re-certification. She referred to the fact that many of the City emergency workers had lived out of the Redwood City area and it is important to know if that is still the case.

Recommendation:

Information-only. No Council Action is requested at this time.

7. 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. 43-2004 and No. 44-2004. 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. Recognition of Outgoing Council Member Ira Ruskin

Council Members gave acknowledgements and extended congratulations to Council Member Ruskin upon his departure to serve as California State Assembly Member of District 21.

Mayor Ira recognized Council Member Ruskin for his years of service to Redwood City and presented him with a proclamation and plaque. Council Members presented him with a gift.

Council Member Ruskin thanked the Council, community and his wife. He stated that he feels very honored and blessed to have served the great people of Redwood City. He further stated that it has been rewarding to see the city grow and change knowing that he helped in that process and he will take that with him. Upon his leaving, his advice to Council would be to remember precisely where Council has cut budget, shave services and reduce funding during the last few years due to the economic downturn and other reasons. He asked that those cuts be remembered and that the City gets returned to the old levels of service as soon as possible because the people of Redwood City deserve the very best. He stated that he would do his very best for the city and the entire district as the Assembly Member in Sacramento. He thanked all for the trust, friendship and confidence placed in him.

C. Mayor Ira – thanked John Adams of Wells Fargo Bank and Barry Gillette from the San Mateo Credit Union for the generous donations toward the reception for Council Member Ruskin.

8. ADJOURNMENT – 8:30 p.m.

M/S Hartnett/Bain to adjourn to a reception in honor of outgoing Council Member Ira Ruskin and until the next regular City Council meeting of December 6, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment was in memory of Leslie John Gallagher who passed away on November 6, 2004. He was a Redwood City resident and husband of 52 years to his wife, Ruthie, former head nurse at Sequoia Hospital for many years. He was a very supportive father and grandfather.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia S. Howe
City Clerk