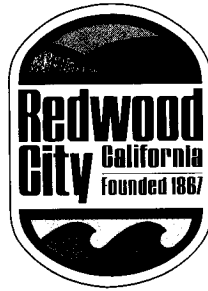


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**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF REDWOOD CITY**

FEBRUARY 5, 2005
8:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.
MAIN LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM
1044 MIDDLEFIELD ROAD
FACILITATOR: DR. CECIL REEVES

BUDGET STRATEGY SESSION

**ON FEBRUARY 5, 2005, THE CITY COUNCIL OF REDWOOD CITY CONDUCTED A
BUDGET STRATEGY SESSION TO SET POLICIES AND GUIDELINES**

*** REFRESHMENTS**

1. **CALL TO ORDER – 8:35 a.m.**
2. **ROLL CALL**

Council Members Present: Aguirre, Bain, Foust, Hartnett, Howard, Vice Mayor
Pierce and 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, Financial Services Director Ponty, Financial Services Manager Freeman,
Financial Services Senior Accountant Khin, Community Development Director
Patterson, Planning Manager Church, Redevelopment Manager Moeller, Fire Chief
Kohlmann, Acting Human Resources Director Alvarez, Parks, Recreation and
Community Services Director Centeno, Parks, Recreation and Community Services

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Supervisor Beth, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Superintendent Hover, Police Chief Bolanos, Public Works Services Director Ingram, Library Director Genesy

3. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NO. 4 AND NO. 5

Rudy Luca thanked Council for the done on the budget and expressed interest in saving jobs, specifically, safety jobs because of their important service to the community. He also asked for an explanation of the acronym ERAF (Education Revenue Augmentation Fund).

4. INTRODUCTION

- A. Review Council's direction as stated at the January 2004 budget session
- B. Review of last-year service level cuts
- C. Review of 04/05 priority categories

5. FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006

- A. Summary of Revenues Committee
- B. Policy direction regarding use of reserves
- C. Direction on Format/Data needed for June Budget Hearings
- D. Approval of budget timeline

Council consensus was to use 75% from reserves for FY 2005/2006; give projections of next 2 years using option C and D in June 2005; and consult with Revenue Committee to consider increase to business license tax and Coro Foundation development fees study results. Further Council direction was to balance expenses and revenues three years out (by end of FY 2007/2008); no proposals for across the board reductions for all departments; departments to state both long and short term impacts of any new reductions; departments to state how past reductions have impacted service levels; staff to provide recommended budget with options.

Council approved setting of budget study sessions for June 20, 27 and 29 (if necessary), 2005.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEM NO. 7

7. REVIEW OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

- A. Discussion

Council overarching guidelines:

- I. Community Building
- II. Communication
- III. Creating Pedestrian-Friendly Places
- IV. Quality of Life
- V. Aesthetics

Council discussion resulted in the following Council agenda topics to follow at a later date: Redwood City joining Housing Endowment and Trust of San Mateo County (HEAT-SMC); availability of water to support future housing; joint study session with Planning Commission regarding various considerations pertaining to the General Plan; discussion and update of the high speed rail; Council communication of its downtown vision to residents; neighborhood traffic issues; shuttles; and future City revenues.

B. Prioritization

Council ranking of priorities resulted in the following order:

1. Infrastructure
2. Downtown
3. Youth and Education
4. Transportation/Traffic
5. Housing
6. Water Supply
7. Doing Business Efficiently/Effectively
8. Cultural

8. ADJOURNMENT - 12:30 p.m.

Adjourned into the special closed session City Council and Redevelopment Agency meeting of February 5, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia S. Howe
City Clerk

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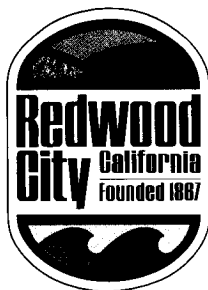
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**JOINT MEETING
CITY COUNCIL AND
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

**JOINT STUDY SESSION WITH PLANNING COMMISSION
AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

FEBRUARY 7, 2005
7:00 P.M.

****A reception in honor of newly-appointed Council Member Alicia Aguirre was held in the City Hall foyer directly after the installation ceremony.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Staff Present: City Manager Everett, City Clerk Howe, Deputy City Clerk Conly, City Attorney Yamamoto, Assistant City Attorney Brower, Senior Civil Engineer Lee, Community Development Director Patterson, Community Development Services Manager Passanisi, Supervising Civil Engineer Lynch, Economic Development Coordinator Webb; Senior Planner Ekas, Principal Planner Jany, Redevelopment Manager Moeller, Downtown Development Coordinator Zack, Fire Chief Kohlmann, Acting Human Resources Director Alvarez, I.S. Technical Analyst Batsford, Traffic Engineer Haygood, Volunteer Balsamo

2. ROLL CALL**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Jim Hartnett, Council Member**

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

5. **INSTALLATION OF NEWLY-APPOINTED COUNCIL MEMBER, CONDUCTED BY CITY CLERK**

A. Administration of ceremonial Oath of Office and presentation of Certificate of Appointment to newly-appointed Council Member Alicia Aguirre

B. Comments by Council Members, newly-appointed Council Member Aguirre and Mayor Ira

Council Member stated that she is honored to be serving as a new member of the City Council. She further stated that she has already met several staff members and that Redwood City is a very professional and wonderful organization.

Council Members commented that Council Member Aguirre is a wonderful addition, that it is an honor to be working with her that 6 lives are breathing easier, that the Council has trust in her judgment, respect for her views, that the community will enjoy what she brings, and that she has vast experience in budget reductions. Applicants for the vacant seat were encouraged to continue to be involved in the community in other ways.

C. Public Comment

Nita Spangler commented on the Channel 27 background noise and reminded Council that Edgewood Park is a San Mateo County preserve.

7:15-7:45 – Reception in honor of Council Member Aguirre

6. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS AND CONSENT CALENDAR**

Rudy Luca stated he has strong feelings about the February 5 Budget Strategy Session. He stated that it was a very informational meeting but expressed disappointment in that there were few citizens present and that the meeting agenda adjourning to the February 5 meeting did not state the time. He further stated that we have a budget crisis and we need to do a better job of informing the community of such meetings.

M/S Hartnett/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.**

6.1 Section – Motions

- A. Approve the Joint City Council, Redevelopment Agency, and Public Financing Authority Meeting minutes of January 24, 2005 as submitted;

MINUTE ORDER 05-18

- B. Award of Contract – Broadway/Woodside Road Intersection Improvements Project

Recommendation:

Approve the Contract Documents and award the contract for the Broadway/Woodside Road Intersection Improvements Project to the lowest responsible bidder, Interstate Grading & Paving, Inc. of South San Francisco, California, for their bid of \$143,463.25.

MINUTE ORDER 05-19

- C. Maintenance Agreement with the Town of Woodside

Recommendation:

By Motion, approve the maintenance agreement with the Town of Woodside for Redwood City's Public Works Services staff to maintain specified traffic signals and street lights for the Town of Woodside in the amount of \$800, plus call-back service.

MINUTE ORDER 05-20

- D. Motion to approve the Executive Management Summary of Benefits effective February 7, 2005

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council, by motion, approve changes to Executive Management Summary of Benefits effective February 7, 2005, as recommended by the Personnel Committee.

MINUTE ORDER 05-21

6.2 Section – Claims and Warrants

- A. Approve warrants dated through February 7, 2005 and usual and necessary payments through February 14, 2005;

MINUTE ORDER 05-22

6.3 Section – Resolutions

- A. By resolution approve Memorandum of Understanding with the Redwood City Management Employees Association for the period October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2009; authorize amendments of the salary and wage plan for classifications represented by the Redwood City Management Employees

Association effective with the first full pay period on or after October 1, 2007 and October 1, 2008.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council, by resolution, approve a new Memorandum of Understanding with the Redwood City Management Employees Association for the period of October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2009. It is also recommended that the City Council, by resolution, approve the amendments of the salary and wage plan for classifications represented by the Redwood City Management Employees Association effective with the first full pay period on or after October 1, 2007 and October 1, 2008.

RESOLUTION 14627 APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY AND THE REDWOOD CITY MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2005 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2009; AND AMENDING THE SALARY AND WAGE PLAN FOR CLASSIFICATIONS REPRESENTED BY RCMEA; AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 14386 AND ANY AND ALL AMENDMENTS PERTAINING THERETO

B. Disposal of Surplus Property

Recommendation:

Adopt a resolution declaring the fire hose inventory referenced herein (Exhibit "A") surplus and convey same to the Fire Science Program at the College of San Mateo in San Mateo.

RESOLUTION 14628 DECLARING CERTAIN DESCRIBED CITY-OWNED PROPERTY SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING SALE THEREOF

2.A. ROLL CALL

- Planning Commission Members Present: Claire, Piulle, Radcliffe, Cronin, Vice Chair Seybert and Chairperson Paulson

Planning Commission Members Absent: Garcia

- Architectural Review Committee Members Present: Howard, Raymundo, Vice Chair Spotorino and Chairperson Gilman

Architectural Review Committee Members Absent: Gee (arrived at 8:08 p.m.)

7. STUDY SESSION

A. Courthouse Square Preferred Design (*continued from July 12, 2004*)

Redevelopment Agency Manager Moeller stated the purpose of the session was to consider some design development issues related to the preferred design concept that was selected for the Courthouse Plaza. On July 12, there were questions raised and clarifications requested in terms of the design and those issues were most appropriately addressed in the design development stage. Michael Freedman of Freedman, Tung and Bottomley (FTB) was present to respond to the issues raised, most significantly, the massing of the pavilions, issues related to heat build-up with glass roofs, and the feasibility of an interactive pop-up fountain in the center of the plaza. She stated that the plan is to return in March with a contract for the construction drawings.

Michael Freedman of FTB used a PowerPoint presentation of slides with his explanation.

Planning Commission, Architectural Review Committee and Council Members all made various comments on the proposed changes.

Mr. Freedman summarized the comments as the following: Reduce maintenance costs as much as possible moving thru the design development phase; incorporate anti-pigeon devices; make the inside of the pavilions cooler, not the same as the inside and noticeably cooler; investigate reflecting the rounded columns from the Courthouse portico into the double column corner pieces and see if any more lightness is achieved; no jets in the fountain; bring back pictures at night with the lighting for review of the entire lighting concept. The need to further explore if additional shade type trees should be used was also noted.

Public Comment:

Keith Bautista stated that there is a tremendous lighting program for the Courthouse itself and one of the elements not totally coordinated was the lighting of the Courthouse from below up in correlation with the plaza design as there was no plaza design at the time. He stated his belief that a budget exists for some up lighting around the plaza next to the Courthouse and there should be some coordination with the architects about that point. He stated his concern that due to the size, space and number of palm trees we may block the view of the Courthouse. He further pointed to the maintenance of the palm fronds in order to mitigate liability and expressed concern about pigeons and potential for obtrusive

mechanisms to control a pigeon problem. He stated that water features are not appropriate for this project. He asked about any flagpole and restrooms planned for the project.

Ken Rolandelli stated that Redwood City is about to recapture a highly significant part of its past both in terms of uncovering the beautiful old county Courthouse as well as rediscovering an important and vital piece of open space that fronts it. As a member of the Historic Courthouse Restoration Committee and the City's Historic Resources Advisory Committee he has been involved with the project for four years. He stated his contentment up until two weeks ago when he thoroughly read the Courthouse Facade Reconstruction and Plaza Project EIR. He submitted his letter dated February 7, 2005 which outlines his concerns and comments.

Alan Bygdnes stated that it's not about the structure, columns, fountains but the concern is the unique walking feature designed to get across to the Fox Theatre. He stated that there should not be a pedestrian crosswalk right in the center of the block and that people are accustomed to having stop signs that assist in protecting the pedestrians. He further stated his concern that there will be a major catastrophe at that location.

Nita Spangler stated that her view is tempered by the fact that in 1944 she was a reporter in that building and has a different feel for the plaza area. She stated that if there is not a budget to spend on the maintenance it will look shabby. She suggested using solar energy; that she would be happy with one pavilion that is open for a breeze to come through, less palm trees and emphasized the operating costs. She asked about location of garbage cans and restrooms. She stated that it is inappropriate to name anything in the project for anyone other than the Arguello or Mezes families. Another name she mentioned was Horace Haas.

Jeri Joseph, Parks and Recreation Commissioner and San Mateo County History Museum employee, stated that she agrees with the concern with providing restrooms. Another concern she mentioned was where the pedestrian or school drop off will be located as it will have a great impact on the museum.

Mayor Ira requested a response to the crosswalk concern. Mr. Freedman stated that, typically, unsignalized crosswalks are not used except in very slow moving areas. He further stated that with the amount of activity expected in the downtown center and without stop signs on the corners it would not work. With the plaza and the two front doors in front of it, he stated his certainty that people will not walk to the corner and will cross in the middle of the street no matter

what is done. He stated the importance that it not be flush, that there is an actual curb and a visible color change.

Regarding flagpoles, Mr. Freedman stated the assumption that they would go to the left and right of the portico. After the workshops, it seemed that the restrooms would be part of the second phase when the rest of the block is improved and makes sense to be located in the center but not right at the front door.

M/S Foust/Pierce to adjourn the Redevelopment Agency Meeting. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote by those present.

8. 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. 3-2005 and No. 4-2005. 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. Council Member Foust – stated that in December, she and Council Member Hartnett were elected to serve on countywide transportation boards. Council Member Foust was elected to the Transportation Authority as the South County representative and Council Member Hartnett was re-elected and selected as Vice Chair of the SamTrans Board. She proposed that once a month or every other month each of them present to Council a brief update report.

C. Vice Mayor Pierce – stated that a Council representative is needed on the 2020 Peninsula Gateway Corridor Study Policy Advisory Committee that meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. Former Council Member Ira Ruskin sat on the committee prior to his leaving office.

9. ADJOURNMENT - 10:00 p.m.

M/S Hartnett/Bain to adjourn until the next regular City Council meeting of February 14, 2005 in honor of Frank Guida who died over the previous weekend. Council Member Hartnett referred to the honoring of Mr. Guida in 2003 with a proclamation in recognition of 40 years of service to the city while coaching Pop Warner Football for that entire period of time. Mr. Guida was nationally recognized for his activities, received the bronze star for valor, Purple Heart and P.O.W. medals for service in WWII. He was involved in Little League Baseball, Redwood City boards and

committees and never stopped contributing being named Citizen of the Year in 1999.
The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia S. Howe
City Clerk