

**SAN GABRIEL CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 20, 2007**

The regular meetings of the San Gabriel City Council and the San Gabriel Redevelopment Agency convened on February 20, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. with Council/Agencymember Baldwin, Council/Agencymember Costanzo, Mayor/Chair Gutierrez, Council/Agencymember Huang, Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Sawkins, City Attorney/General Counsel Kress, City Manager/Executive Director Paules and City Clerk/Secretary Trujillo present.

Pledge of Allegiance

RECESS AGENCY MEETING

Recess Agency Meeting

At 7:33 p.m., Agencymember Baldwin moved to recess; seconded by Agencymember Costanzo. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

PRESENTATIONS: CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL AND AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 10851 AWARDS TO SAN GABRIEL POLICE OFFICERS VINCENT SALAZAR, CRUZ HERNANDEZ, RAY LARA AND MARTIN GARCIA

PUBLIC HEARING WITH REGARD TO ANNUAL WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM

Public Hearing
Annual Weed Abatement
Protest Hearing
Abatement Order 07-01
Approved

Each year, the City's goal is to establish a fire-safe community through voluntary compliance of informed property owners and residents. The City contracts with Los Angeles County to perform annual weed abatement services. At the February 6, 2007 meeting, the Council adopted Resolution 07-04 declaring certain vacant properties in need of monitoring with regard to hazardous vegetation growing on the site. The resolution also established February 20, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. as the date and time for the Hearing of Protests, which has been duly noticed to the appropriate property owners.

The staff report was given after which Councilmember Baldwin moved to open the public hearing; seconded by Councilmember Costanzo. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

There being no one in the audience who wished to address the Council, Councilmember Baldwin moved to close the public hearing; seconded by Councilmember Costanzo. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

Vice Mayor Sawkins moved to adopt Abatement Order 07-01 directing the Los Angeles County Agricultural Commissioner/Director of Weights and Measures to abate the nuisance by having the weeds, rubbish and refuse removed; seconded by Councilmember Costanzo. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment

San Gabriel Librarian Wen-Wen Wei advised the Council of programs and events being offered at the library.

COUNCIL REQUEST CONCERNING "GOLDEN MILE" DESIGNATION FOR VALLEY BOULEVARD CORRIDOR

Proposed "Golden Mile"
Designation for Valley Blvd.
Corridor
Referred to Staff

As requested by Councilmember Huang at the February 6, 2007 meeting, staff has prepared a report regarding consideration of marketing the City of San Gabriel's Valley Boulevard using the phrase "The Golden Mile."

The report was given during which staff responded to Council questions.

City Clerk Trujillo advised that a letter had been received from Henry Lo, a member of the Garvey School District Board of Education, supporting the subject proposal.

The following persons spoke in support of the proposal:

Betty Mui, 1001 Euclid Ave., San Gabriel
Robert Strohman, 208 W. Wells St., San Gabriel
Colleen Doan, 422 Gerona, San Gabriel
David Lee, 140 W. Valley Blvd., San Gabriel

After further discussion, the Council directed staff to prepare a draft timeline during the next 30 days for Council review that would allow the City to proceed with recommendations 1 and 2 in the staff report (developing capacity and working with stakeholders) while the other recommendations could be further developed. Those first phase actions would include copyright research and identification of stakeholders.

CONSENT CALENDAR: ALL ITEMS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE AND ENACTED IN ONE MOTION UNLESS A MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OR AUDIENCE REQUESTS SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Consent Calendar

A. MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 6, 2007

Minutes Approved

The minutes are a record of the official actions taken at the last Council meeting.

Recommended Action: Approval

B. MATERIAL DEMANDS: 68315 – 68543 INCLUSIVE \$2,212,389.89

Material Demands
Approved

This is the presentation of the “Register of Demands and Warrants” for the payment of City expenditures.

Recommended Action: Approval

C. TAXICAB PERMIT APPLICATION FOR LIMO CAB CO.

Taxicab Permit
Limo Cab Co.
Approved

SGMC Section 119, Chapter 119.03 requires City Council approval to operate a taxicab service in San Gabriel. Limo Cab Co. is requesting permission to operate two vehicles and has provided all required documentation. Staff has reviewed the matter and has no objections to approving the request.

Recommended Action: That the City Council approve the subject request.

Councilmember Costanzo moved to approve the consent calendar as presented; seconded by Vice Mayor Sawkins. The motion passed by a vote on the board of five yes.

Council Comments

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORTS

Each Council Member addressed the Council and public on matters of general information and/or concern. Also, the Council gave reports on meetings they had attended.

ADJOURN COUNCIL MEETING AND RECONVENE AGENCY MEETING

Adjourn Council Meeting &
Reconvene Agency Meeting

At 8:34 p.m., Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Sawkins moved to adjourn and reconvene as indicated above; seconded by Council/Agencymember Costanzo. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING:

Agency Meeting

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2007

Minutes Approved

Councilmember Costanzo moved to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Agencymember Baldwin. The motion passed by a vote on the board of five yes.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment

There was no one in the audience who wished to address the Agency Board at this time.

C. EXTENSION OF EXCLUSIVE NEGOTIATING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND SAN GABRIEL DEVELOPMENT GROUP LLC – SGRA CASE 03-02 (SITE C)

ENA Extension to 8/21/2007
S. G. Development Group
SGRA 03-02 – Site C
Approved

The current Exclusive Negotiating Agreement (ENA) expires February 20, 2007. The development team has requested an extension. The matter is being presented to the Agency for consideration.

The staff report was given after which Agencymember Costanzo moved to approve the letter to extend the ENA SGRA Case No. 03-02 with San Gabriel Development Group LLC to August 21, 2007; seconded by Vice Chair Sawkins. The motion passed by a vote on the board of five yes.

D. EXTENSION OF EXCLUSIVE NEGOTIATING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND WCE GENTON – SGRA CASE 04-05 (SITE D)

ENA Extension to 8/21/2007
WCE Genton
SGRA 04-05 – Site D
Approved

The current Exclusive Negotiating Agreement (ENA) expires February 20, 2007. The development team has requested an extension. The matter is being presented to the Agency for consideration.

The staff report was given.

The following persons spoke in opposition to the subject ENA extension.

Edward Chang, 220-222-224 San Gabriel Blvd., San Gabriel
Sabino Cici, 1029 E. Broadway, San Gabriel Blvd., San Gabriel

After discussion, Vice Mayor Sawkins moved to approve the letter to extend the ENA SGRA Case No. 04-05 with WCE Genton to August 21, 2007; seconded by Chairperson Gutierrez. The motion passed by a vote on the board of four yes with Agencymember Huang voting no.

E. ADJOURN AGENCY MEETING

At 8:55 p.m., Agencymember Baldwin moved to adjourn; seconded by Agencymember Costanzo. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

SAN GABRIEL REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

SAN GABRIEL CITY COUNCIL

Cynthia A. Trujillo, Secretary

Cynthia A. Trujillo, C.M.C., City Clerk

David R. Gutierrez, Chair

David R. Gutierrez, Mayor