

SAN GABRIEL CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

MINUTES OF JULY 17, 2007

The regular meetings of the San Gabriel City Council and the San Gabriel Redevelopment Agency convened on July 17, 2007 at 7:34 p.m. with Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Baldwin, Council/Agencymember Costanzo, Council/Agencymember Huang, Council/Agencymember Gutierrez, Mayor/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 7:35 p.m., Vice Chair Baldwin moved to recess; seconded by Agencymember Costanzo. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

PRESENTATION: PROCLAMATION FOR 2007 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Proclamation

PUBLIC HEARING: 2006-2007 WEED CLEARANCE CHARGES

Public Hearing
2006-07 Weed
Abatement
Clearance Charges
Approved

The City contracts with Los Angeles County to perform annual weed abatement services. Pursuant to Resolution 07-04, the City Council held a public hearing on February 20, 2007 regarding those properties identified as vacant properties in the City that require inspection services. Property owners were duly noticed and abatement services have been rendered as necessary for the 2006-07 Weed Abatement program. The County is requesting Council approval of the costs to be assessed to property owners.

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

Councilmember Gutierrez moved to open the public hearing; seconded by Vice Mayor Baldwin. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

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

Councilmember Huang moved to confirm the charges as presented; seconded by Councilmember Costanzo. The motion passed by a vote on the board of five yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT: PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.3, THIS IS THE TIME PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON ITEMS OF INTEREST THAT ARE NOT ON THE AGENDA WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE SAN GABRIEL CITY COUNCIL

Public Comment

Wen Wen Zhang, San Gabriel Librarian, addressed the Council regarding library outreach programs and an update on the library renovation.

Fran Dyer, 5433 Charlotte Avenue, San Gabriel, queried the Council regarding weed clearance and the status of street improvements. City Engineer Mattern gave a status report of street improvements in the City.

The following persons spoke in opposition to the route of MTA bus 176:

Steve Hartman, 305 West Broadway, San Gabriel, spoke on behalf of Broadway residents
Armando Miramontes, 217 West Broadway, San Gabriel

Vice Mayor Baldwin will follow up on the matter.

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH RIO HONDO COLLEGE

Instruction Service
Agreement with
Rio Hondo College
approved

Rio Hondo Community College has submitted a proposed Instructional Service Agreement to utilize the Emergency Operations Center as a training facility for state approved programs.

The staff report was given after which Councilmember Gutierrez moved to:

- A. Authorize the Instructional Service Agreement between the Rio Hondo Community College District and the San Gabriel Fire Department for revenue sharing for State approved programs.
- B. Establish a separate Fire Training Account using proceeds from this agreement to enhance Fire Department training.
- C. Authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement, which will be in effect until April 18, 2012, unless it is terminated by either party with 60 days notice.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Huang and passed by a vote on the board of five yes.

CASH CONTRACT 07-08 – VEHICLE ACQUISITION

Cash Contract 07-
08 Vehicle
Acquisition
approved

The current lease for an administrative staff vehicle expires this month.

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

There was discussion regarding alternate fuel vehicles.

Vice Mayor Baldwin moved to waive compliance with the formal purchasing procedures and authorize the lease of one 2007 Ford Explorer staff vehicle from New Century Ford on a 36-month lease. The motion died for lack of a second.

Councilmember Gutierrez moved to table this matter until the August 21, 2007 meeting at which time staff is to provide a report regarding hybrid vehicles; seconded by Mayor Sawkins. The motion passed by a vote on the board of three yes with Vice Mayor Baldwin voting no and Councilmember Huang abstaining.

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 JULY 3, 2007

Minutes approved

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

Recommended Action: Approval

B. MATERIAL DEMANDS: 70502 – 70527 INCLUSIVE \$1,464,913

Material Demands
approved

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

Recommended Action: Approval

- C. **REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY STREET CLOSURE TO HOLD A BLOCK PARTY ON NATIONAL NIGHT OUT** National Night Out street closures approved
- Six requests for temporary street closures have been submitted for the purpose of holding a block party to participate in National Night Out on Tuesday, August 7, 2007 as follows:
- Alahmar Terrace cul-de-sac from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.
200 block Bradbury Drive from Gurdon to Hermosa from 5:30 to 10:00 p.m.
300 block Milton Drive from Leslie to Adelyn from 6:00 to 9:30 p.m.
400 block Daroca from Leslie to Roses Road from 6:00 to 9:30 p.m.
500 block Milton Drive from Roses Road to Coolidge from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.
400 block Milton Drive from Roses to Adelyn from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.
- Recommended Action: That the Council approve the request subject to the following conditions:
- (1) A minimum width of 20 feet of one side of the street shall remain unobstructed for access by public safety vehicles.
 - (2) Fire hydrants shall remain unobstructed at all times.
 - (3) There shall be no consumption of alcohol within the public right-of-way.
 - (4) There shall be no fireworks or other pyrotechnic displays.
 - (5) A resident shall be identified as the responsible party for all contacts by City agencies and for installing and removing the street barricades.
 - (6) Parties are subject to disturbing the peace laws.
 - (7) The street closure shall be between the hours as indicated on the request form.
 - (8) Applicant is responsible for moving the barricades when City officials arrive at the event.
- D. **ORDINANCE 569-C.S. – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN GABRIEL, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 11 OF THE SAN GABRIEL MUNICIPAL CODE AS IT PERTAINS TO AN ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION PROGRAM** Ordinance 569-C.S. Administrative Citation Program
- In accordance with provisions of the California Government Code, being presented for Council consideration is an Administrative Citation Program. The proposed program provides an alternative enforcement method for violators of the San Gabriel Municipal Code. On July 3, 2007, the Council unanimously approved the ordinance on first reading.
- Recommended Action: That the City Council adopt the subject ordinance on second reading.
- E. **ORDINANCE 572-C.S. – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN GABRIEL CLARIFYING REFERENCES TO THE FEDERAL EXCISE TAX IN THE SAN GABRIEL MUNICIPAL CODE** Ordinance 572-C.S. Federal Excise Tax in San Gabriel Municipal Code
- Currently, the City makes reference to the Federal Excise Tax (FET) in the Utility Users Tax portion of the San Gabriel Municipal Code (SGMC). Recent administrative actions by the IRS require the City to clarify the references to the FET in the SGMC. This will not result in the collection of additional tax revenues nor will it expand the base upon which the tax is levied. On July 3, 2007, the Council unanimously approved the ordinance on first reading.
- Recommended Action: That the City Council adopt the subject ordinance on second reading.

- F. ORDINANCE 573-C.S. – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN GABRIEL SETTING CITY COUNCIL SALARIES Ordinance 573-C.S. City Council Salaries
- On July 3, 2007, the Council unanimously approved the subject ordinance on first reading.
- Recommended Action: That the City Council adopt the subject ordinance on second reading.
- G. COUNCIL APPROVAL OF SANITATION DISTRICTS BOARD ALTERNATE DIRECTOR FOR THE MEETING OF JULY 25, 2007 Sanitation District Board Alternate approved
- The Mayor and Vice Mayor are unavailable to attend the Sanitation Districts Board meeting being held July 25, 2007. Mayor Sawkins wishes to authorize Councilmember Costanzo to serve as the Alternate Director at the subject meeting, which requires Council approval.
- Recommended Action: That the City Council approve Councilmember Costanzo serving as the alternate director as indicated above.
- H. BJA FY-07 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) approved
- The Police Department is allocated funding annually through the federal JAG Program.
- Recommended Action: That the City Council approve the Police Department's application for funding under the 2007 JAG Program in the amount of \$21,533.00 for the purpose of purchasing synthetic duty gear.
- Vice Mayor Baldwin moved to add as a late item a request for temporary street closure of the 700 block of Alabama from Longden to Roses Road to hold a block party as part of the annual National Night Out event; seconded by Councilmember Gutierrez. There being no objections, it was so ordered. National Night Out street closure late item approved
- Councilmember Gutierrez moved to approve the consent calendar as amended; seconded by Councilmember Costanzo. The motion passed by a vote on the board of five yes.
- COUNCIL COMMENTS AND CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORTS Council Comments
- 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.
- RECESS COUNCIL MEETING AND RECONVENE AGENCY MEETING Recess Council meeting and reconvene agency meeting
- At 8:59 p.m. Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Baldwin moved to recess and reconvene as indicated above; seconded by Council/Agencymember Gutierrez. There being no objections, it was so ordered.
- REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING: Agency meeting
- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 3, 2007 Minutes approved
- Agencymember Gutierrez moved to approve the minutes; seconded by Agencymember Costanzo. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one who wished to address the Agency Board.

ADJOURN AGENCY MEETING, RECONVENE COUNCIL MEETING AND RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §54957.6, FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSE:

Agency Negotiators: City Council, City Attorney

Unrepresented employee: City Clerk

At 9:00 p.m., Vice Chair/Vice Mayor Baldwin moved to adjourn and recess as indicated above; seconded Agency/Councilmember Gutierrez. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

At 9:30 p.m. the Council reconvened in open session at which time City Attorney Kress announced that the Council had met in closed session for the purpose stated above and that as part of the labor negotiations, the City Council reached a retirement agreement with Cynthia Trujillo. The agreement was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN COUNCIL MEETING IN MEMORY OF NORM ARCE AND RICHARD GILLESPIE TO AUGUST 7, 2007 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE CIVIC AUDITORIUM PARKING LOT, 320 SOUTH MISSION DRIVE, SAN GABRIEL, AT WHICH TIME THE CITY COUNCIL AND OFFICIALS WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT.

SAN GABRIEL REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

SAN GABRIEL CITY COUNCIL

Cynthia A. Trujillo, Secretary

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

Kevin B. Sawkins, Chair

Kevin B. Sawkins, Mayor