

SAN GABRIEL CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2010

The regular meetings of the San Gabriel City Council and the San Gabriel Redevelopment Agency convened on Tuesday, May 18, 2010 at 7:45 p.m. with Mayor/Chair Huang, Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Gutierrez, Council/Agencymembers Costanzo, De La Torre, Sawkins, City Manager/Executive Director Preston, City Attorney/General Counsel Kress, and Deputy City Clerk/Agency Secretary Castruita present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance

ATTENDANCE

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RECESS AGENCY MEETING

Recess Agency Meeting

Agencymember Costanzo moved to recess; seconded by Vice Chair Gutierrez. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

PRESENTATIONS

Presentations

Public Works Director Bustos was presented a certificate from the City Council for National Public Works Week May 16-22, 2010. Mr. Bustos presented gifts to the City Council in return.

The City Council presented Leanne Dickson with a certificate for 2010 "Woman of the Year" in the 29th Congressional District.

Proclamation: Proclaiming May as Bike Month in the City of San Gabriel
Representatives from the West San Gabriel Valley Bicycle Coalition and Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition were not able to be present to accept the Council's proclamation.

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

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

SHOPPING CART CONTAINMENT; ORDINANCE 584-CS

Shopping Cart Containment: Ordinance 584-C.S. Approved with notice to individual stores and associations.

On March 2, 2010, staff presented shopping cart containment ordinance 584-C.S. to the City Council that would require businesses providing ten or more carts to install devices on them to prevent the removal of said carts from the businesses premises. Businesses in operation before the ordinance is passed will have 6 months (180 days) to implement a containment system. All businesses opened after the effective date of this ordinance will be required to install a containment system before a business license is issued.

Recommended Action: That the City Council waive reading in full and introduce Ordinance 584-C.S. on first reading.

Neighborhood Improvement Services Manager Anderson presented the staff report.

Councilmember Sawkins moved to approve the recommended action and to give notice to individual stores and associations prior to second reading; seconded by Councilmember De La Torre and passed by a vote on the board of five yes.

CITYWIDE BUS SHELTERS; APPROVAL FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE SERVICES

Citywide Bus Shelters;
Approval for Landscape
Architectural Services
Approved.

Capital Improvement Project No. 8-08-08 provides for the design, purchase, and installation of bus shelters and related amenities at various locations throughout the city to better serve bus riders. Through a Letter of Agreement between the City and Metro that was signed in November of 2009, the City secured Metro funds to implement this project.

Recommended Action: That the City Council authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute a purchase order for time and materials not to exceed \$95,110 with KSA for landscape architecture services for the citywide bus shelter project.

Housing and Economic Development Specialist Scherr presented the staff report.

Councilmember De La Torre moved to approve the recommended action; seconded by Vice Mayor Gutierrez and passed by a vote on the board of five yes.

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

[Consent Calendar Item #C was pulled for staff correction made by Associate Engineer Cheng]

A. MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 4, 2010

Minutes Approved

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

Recommended Action: Approval

B. MATERIAL DEMANDS: 83158 – 83322 INCLUSIVE \$1,628,561.93

Material Demands Approved

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

Recommended Action: Approval

[C. MISSION PLAYHOUSE – FIRST AMENDMENT TO BUILDING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH VERIZON WIRELESS]

Mission Playhouse – First
Amendment to Building
Lease Agreement with
Verizon Wireless Approved

Verizon Wireless leases a portion of the City property at Mission Playhouse. Verizon is now upgrading the utilities including new cables and antennas, which requires preparing an amendment to the original lease agreement. Verizon is also providing a legal description and easement documents for the existing and new undergrounded cables on City property, as part of the lease amendment.

Recommended Action: That the City Council:

1. Approve and grant the First Amendment to Building Lease Agreement and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to sign said amendment; and
2. Direct staff to sign and record the easement deed documents with Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder.

Gary Grady, resident of San Gabriel, spoke of his own knowledge of cables and antennas and supported the project.

D. REQUEST FOR BUILDING PERMIT AND PLAN CHECK FEE WAIVERS FOR HANDYWORKER PROGRAM

Request for building permit and plan check fee waivers for Handyworker Program approved.

Maintaining the quality of San Gabriel's aging housing stock for low-and moderate-income residents has been identified as a priority in the City's Housing Element and its updates. Last November, City Council approved a contract with Alta Pasa Community Improvement Center, Inc. to provide handyworker services funded by federal Community Development Block Grant funds. This City sponsored program supports older and disabled residents of limited financial means to remain in their homes and live independently.

Recommended Action: That the City Council waive building permit and plan check fees for residential properties being assisted through the Handyworker Program.

Vice Mayor Gutierrez moved to approve the consent calendar with corrections to item #C as follows: Staff report correction: Antennas are not included in the upgrade by Verizon; seconded by Councilmember Costanzo and passed by a vote on the board of five yes.

CITY MANAGER ITEMS

City Manager Items

Past agenda item, USC Real Estate Without Borders Conference was discussed with Council.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORTS

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 and reconvene Agency meeting.

Vice Mayor moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilmember Costanzo. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING:

Agency Meeting

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 4, 2010

Minutes Approved

Vice Chair Gutierrez moved to approve the subject minutes; seconded by Agencymember Costanzo. 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 at this time.

C. ADJOURN AGENCY MEETING

Adjourn Agency Meeting

Agencymember Costanzo moved to adjourn; seconded by Agencymember De La Torre. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

RECONVENE COUNCIL MEETING

Reconvene Council meeting

RECESS COUNCIL MEETING TO CLOSED SESSION

Recess Council meeting to
Closed Session

At 8:50 p.m., Councilmember Sawkins moved to recess to closed session; seconded by Councilmember Costanzo. There being no objections, it was so ordered.

Closed session

A. CLOSED SESSION

The City Council will meet in Closed Session with the city's labor negotiator, pursuant to Government Code §54957.6.

City negotiator: Steve Filarsky

Employee organizations: All recognized City labor organizations

City Attorney confirmed no reportable action.

At 10:28 p.m., City Council meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, June 1, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, Conference Room "A" for Labor Negotiations. The Council adjourned in honor of May To, Executive Director of the Asian Youth Center, who passed away the previous week.

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Albert Y. M. Huang, Chair

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