

CITY OF PASADENA  
City Council Minutes  
March 20, 2006 – 5:30 P.M.  
Pasadena Senior Center, Multi-Purpose Room  
85 East Holly Street

REGULAR MEETING

**OPENING:**

Vice Mayor Madison called the regular meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. The colors were presented and posted by members of Boy Scout Troop 5 from the Pasadena Polytechnic School, Rose Bowl District of San Gabriel Valley Council of Boy Scouts (Creighton Penido, Sagar Pujara, Jordan Olivar, Jordan Smith, Max Foster, and Alex Babcock); and the pledge of allegiance was led by members of Cub Scout Den 1 of Pack 5 (Brendan McInerney, Max Beller, David Olivar, and Julian Madison).

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard (Absent)  
Vice Mayor Steve Madison  
Councilmember Victor Gordo  
Councilmember Steve Haderlein (Absent)  
Councilmember Chris Holden  
Councilmember Paul Little  
Councilmember Joyce Streater  
Councilmember Sidney F. Tyler

Staff:

City Manager Cynthia Kurtz  
City Attorney Michele Beal Bagneris  
City Clerk Jane L. Rodriguez

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON  
MATTERS NOT ON THE  
AGENDA**

No one appeared for public comment.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH WESTERN WATER WORKS SUPPLY INC., FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING MISCELLANEOUS WATER UTILITY MATERIALS FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT, SPECIFICATION WD-05-04**

**Recommendation of City Manager:**

(1) Accept the bid dated February 21, 2006 submitted by Western Water Works Supply Inc., in response to Specification WD-05-04, for Furnishing and Delivering Miscellaneous Water Utility Materials for the Water and Power Department;  
(2) Reject all other bids; and  
(3) Authorize the Purchasing Administrator to issue a purchase order for a two-year period to Western Water Works Supply Inc., with two optional one-year extensions. The contract shall not exceed \$650,000 annually.

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MARIPOSA HORTICULTURAL ENTERPRISES, INC., FOR LANDSCAPING AT STATE STREET PARKWAYS BETWEEN FAIR OAKS AND GOLD LINE RIGHT-OF-WAY AND VARIOUS AREAS IN THE BROADWAY AND GLENARM POWER PLANTS**

**Recommendation of City Manager:**

(1) Accept the bid dated February 16, 2006 submitted by Mariposa Horticultural Enterprises, Inc., in response to Specification LD-05-6 for providing labor and materials for landscaping at State Street Parkways between Fair Oaks and Gold Line right-of-way and various areas in the Broadway and Glenarm Power Plants; and

(2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into contract with Mariposa Horticultural Enterprises, Inc., for a total amount not-to-exceed \$111,700. (Contract No. 19,038)

**CONTRACT AWARD TO WESCO INFRASTRUCTURE TECHNOLOGIES FOR SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE SEWER REHABILITATION FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$86,000**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** Accept the bid dated February 15, 2006 submitted by Wesco Infrastructure Technologies for the San Rafael Bridge Sewer Rehabilitation, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required. (Contract No. 19,039)

**CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED**

Claim No. 10,058	Wilona Chong and Violet Chong	\$ Not Stated
Claim No. 10,059	Rita Padilla	Not Stated
Claim No. 10,060	Mercury Casualty Company on behalf of Lan Fung Chan	4,742.07
Claim No. 10,061	Andre Thomas and Farris Tollette	Not Stated
Claim No. 10,062	Iraida T. Cano	321.64
Claim No. 10,063	Manuel O. Calles on behalf of Christian Calles	Not Stated
Claim No. 10,064	AT&T	58,118.22

**PUBLIC HEARING SET**

April 10, 2006, 8:00 p.m. - FY 2007-2012 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget

It was moved by Councilmember Tyler, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Haderlein, Mayor Bogaard)

## OLD BUSINESS

Vice Mayor Madison recused himself at 6:37 p.m., due to a conflict of interest, and Councilmember Tyler assumed the Chair.

## **PRELIMINARY PLAN REVIEW FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A 94,645 GROSS SQUARE FOOT BUILDING (CAHILL CENTER FOR ASTRONOMY AND ASTROPHYSICS) AT 1200 EAST CALIFORNIA BOULEVARD**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** This report is being provided for information only at this time.

Mr. Lanny Woo, Associate Planner, reviewed the agenda report and responded to questions.

Councilmember Little asked to be kept informed on any problems that might arise during the design review process as the project moves forward.

The City Manager indicated staff will keep Council informed through her weekly information letter as the project is reviewed by the Design Commission and moves through the entitlement process.

Ms. Mary Lou Loper, Pasadena resident, expressed concerns regarding possible negative impacts on the neighborhood related to current parking problems caused by California Institute of Technology (Caltech) staff/students/visitors.

Mr. Woo stated staff will include Ms. Loper in the notification mailings for meetings related to the project, at Ms. Loper's request.

The City Manager reported on parking arrangements for the project, noted that staff will work with Caltech in transitioning to use of the fee-based parking structure rather than use of public streets for parking, and responded to questions.

Councilmember Tyler commented on the existing problem of overflow parking on public streets related to the Caltech facilities, noted that correspondence had been received stating objections and concerns regarding the proposed project and parking issues, and asked staff to consult with him regarding the notification process for meetings on the project to ensure that those residents who will be affected by the project will be aware of opportunities for public comment.

Mr. Hall Daily, Assistant Vice President of Government and Community Relations for Caltech, commented on steps being taken to address the concerns expressed by the neighbors regarding parking.

On order of Councilmember Tyler, the report was received and filed.

**REPORTS AND COMMENTS  
FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**REPORTS FROM  
REPRESENTATIVES**

Vice Mayor Madison returned at 6:51 p.m. and assumed the Chair.

Councilmember Streator reported on the National League of Cities (NLC) Conference held in Washington, D.C. that she had attended on behalf of the City, noted that delegates had discussed telecommunications franchising and the repeal and correction of immigration laws, and indicated that a packet of information had been distributed to each member of Council covering priority items discussed at the Conference. She also reported that the NLC had provided a copy of Patriotism, Perseverance and Posterity (a book about the national Japanese-American Memorial), which will be donated to the Pasadena Public Library, after Council has the opportunity to examine the book.

**ORDINANCES – FIRST  
READING**

**Conduct first reading of “AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA SUSPENDING SECTIONS 9.36.220(B) AND 9.36.230(B)(9) OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO LIMITATION ON HOURS OF OPERATION OF AMPLIFIED SOUND FOR SPECIFIED HOURS AND AREAS ON MAY 5, 2006 (SOCCER MATCH FEATURING THE MEN’S NATIONAL TEAM OF MEXICO - HOURS OF OPERATION ONLY)”**

The above ordinance was offered for first reading by Councilmember Little:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Holden, Little, Streator, Tyler, Vice Mayor Madison

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Haderlein, Mayor Bogaard

**Conduct first reading of “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING TITLE 17 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD ‘FLOOR RATIO ADJUSTMENT FOR FLAT LOTS’ IN THE HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PROCESS”**

The above ordinance was offered for first reading by Councilmember Streator:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Holden, Little, Streator, Tyler

NOES: Vice Mayor Madison

ABSENT: Councilmember Haderlein, Mayor Bogaard

**INFORMATION ITEM**

**MID-YEAR PROJECT PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG); EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG); HUMAN SERVICES ENDOWMENT FUND (HSEF) 2005-2006 PROGRAM YEAR; AND THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP ACT (HOME) PROGRAM**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** The report is presented for information only.

Mr. John Depew, Program Coordinator, summarized the agenda report and responded to questions regarding the billing/reimbursement process.

The City Manager clarified the process for gathering and reporting the financial information for the programs.

Councilmember Little asked to be provided with updated financial information as this becomes available.

On order of the Vice Mayor, the report was received and filed.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Little commented on a recent newspaper article involving information about the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) and remarks attributed to the COG Executive Director regarding a possible conflict of interest involving a Board member, expressed concerns regarding the content and nature of the remarks, and suggested the City Attorney review the article for possible Council action as this involves the City's relationship with the SGVCOG.

Brief discussion followed on possible steps that would be appropriate to take in conjunction with the article and remarks.

The City Attorney reminded Council of limitations to be placed on the discussion of this issue, since this was not an agenda matter.

**REPORTS AND COMMENTS  
FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**REPORTS FROM  
REPRESENTATIVES**

Councilmember Tyler, representative for the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG), updated Council on the Review Committee's review of COG's policies and operations, and noted the Committee will present a report to the COG Board at its meeting of April 20, 2006. He will update Council after the report has been discussed by COG.

Councilmember Little and Vice Mayor Madison requested that staff obtain a copy of the Review Committee's report and distribute copies to the Council.

**RECESS**

On order of the Vice Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council recessed at 7:15 p.m. to the special meeting of The 457 Deferred Compensation Plan Trustees.

**RECONVENED**

On order of the Vice Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council reconvened at 8:02 p.m. (Absent: Councilmember Haderlein, Mayor Bogaard)

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

### **PUBLIC HEARING: AMENDMENT TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT-11 (PD-11, FOOTHILL BOULEVARD, CRAIG AVENUE, AND WHITE STREET) DISTRICT**

On order of the Vice Mayor, the above public hearing was continued to April 24, 2006 at 7:00 p.m., to allow Councilmember Haderlein to be in attendance for the presentation and discussion of the report.

### **PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF 660 ELIZABETH STREET AS A LANDMARK**

#### **Recommendation of City Manager:**

(1) Acknowledge that the designation of a historic resource is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act under Class 8, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment (CEQA Guidelines, Article 19, Section 15308);

(2) As recommended by the Historic Preservation Commission, find that the house at 660 Elizabeth Street is significant under Criterion c for designation as a landmark (Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040 B) because it is architecturally intact and an excellent example of a two-story Arts and Crafts period house;

(3) Approve the designation of the property at 660 Elizabeth Street as a landmark;

(4) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 660 Elizabeth Street, Pasadena, California;

(5) Authorize the Mayor to execute a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 660 Elizabeth Street, Pasadena, California; and

(6) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder. (Resolution No. 8568)

**Recommendation of Historic Preservation Commission:** On January 17, 2006, at a noticed public hearing, the Historic Preservation Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the designation of 660 Elizabeth Street as a landmark.

The Vice Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 37 copies of the notice of public hearing were posted on March 2, 2006; 113 copies of the notice were mailed on March 2, 2006; and one letter in support was received.

The City Manager introduced the agenda item.

Ms. Emily Stadnicki, Planner, reviewed the agenda report and responded to questions.

No one appeared for public comment.

It was moved by Councilmember Streater, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Haderlein, Mayor Bogaard)

It was moved by Councilmember Streater, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to approve the City Manager's recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Haderlein, Mayor Bogaard)

**PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF 539 NORTH LOS ROBLES AVENUE AS A LANDMARK**

**Recommendation of City Manager:**

(1) Acknowledge that the designation of a historic resource is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act under Class 8, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment (CEQA Guidelines, Article 19, Section 15308);

(2) As recommended by the Historic Preservation Commission, find that the house at 539 North Los Robles Avenue is significant under Criterion c for designation as a landmark (Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040 B) because it is architecturally intact and an excellent example of a one and one-half story bungalow from the Arts and Crafts period;

(3) Approve the designation of the property at 539 North Los Robles Avenue as a landmark;

(4) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 539 North Los Robles Avenue, Pasadena, California;

(5) Authorize the Mayor to execute a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 539 North Los Robles Avenue, Pasadena, California; and

(6) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder. (Resolution No. 8569)

**Recommendation of Historic Preservation Commission:** On February 6, 2006, at a noticed public hearing, the Historic Preservation Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the designation of 539 North Los Robles Avenue as a landmark.

The Vice Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 20 copies of the notice of public hearing were posted on March 2, 2006; 54 copies of the notice were mailed on March 2, 2006; and one letter in support was received.

The City Manager introduced the agenda item.

Ms. Emily Stadnicki, Planner, summarized the agenda report.

No one appeared for public comment.

It was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Councilmember Little, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Haderlein, Mayor Bogaard)

It was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Councilmember Streater, to approve the City Manager's recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Haderlein, Mayor Bogaard)

**PUBLIC HEARING: ADOPTION OF A ZONE CHANGE TO DESIGNATE A LANDMARK DISTRICT OVERLAY FOR THE SOUTH HUDSON AVENUE LANDMARK DISTRICT (LD-13)**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** It is recommended that, following a public hearing, the City Council:

- (1) Find that the application for a zone change to establish a landmark district is categorically exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act, (Class 8, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment).
- (2) Find that the proposed zone change is consistent with the General Plan and the purposes of the zoning ordinance.
- (3) Acknowledge the decision of the Historic Preservation Commission on August 1, 2005 that the proposed South Hudson Avenue Landmark District (Attachment 1 of the agenda report) meets the criteria for designation as a landmark district (Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040 E).
- (4) Acknowledge that the petition with signatures in support of the landmark overlay district petition exceeds the 51 percent requirement in Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.070 D.
- (5) Based on these findings approve the landmark district and the zoning map overlay for the South Hudson Avenue Landmark District, LD-13.
- (6) Direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance within 60 days amending the official zoning map of the City of Pasadena established by Section 17.20.020 of the Pasadena Municipal Code to designate the landmark district with the LD-13 overlay zone.

**Recommendation of Historic Preservation Commission:** At a public hearing on August 1, 2005, the Historic Preservation Commission determined that the proposed district meets the criteria in Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040 for designation of a landmark district and unanimously recommended approval.

**Recommendation of Planning Commission:** Following a public hearing on January 11, 2006, the Planning Commission found that the proposed zone change to create a landmark district is consistent with the General Plan and the purposes of the zoning ordinance and voted unanimously to recommend that the City Council approve the designation of the South Hudson Avenue Landmark District.



The Vice Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 13 copies of the notice of public hearing were posted on March 2, 2006; 39 copies of the notice were mailed on March 2, 2006; and one letter in support was received.

The City Manager introduced the agenda item.

Ms. Emily Stadnicki, Planner, reviewed the agenda report and responded to questions.

No one appeared for public comment.

It was moved by Councilmember Tyler, seconded by Councilmember Little, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Haderlein, Mayor Bogaard)

It was moved by Councilmember Tyler, seconded by Councilmember Little, to approve the City Manager's recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Haderlein, Mayor Bogaard)


**ADJOURNMENT**

On order of the Vice Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 8:12 p.m.



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Bill Bogaard, Mayor  
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:



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City Clerk