# CITY OF PASADENA City Council Minutes April 24, 2006 – 5:30 P.M. Pasadena Senior Center, Multi-Purpose Room 85 East Holly Street

#### REGULAR MEETING

**OPENING:** 

Mayor Bogaard called the regular meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. (Absent: Councilmember Holden, Vice Mayor Madison)

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 5:35 p.m., to discuss the following closed session:

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE REGARDING PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Title: City Manager

The above closed session item was discussed, with no reportable action at this time.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 6:32 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Little.

**ROLL CALL**:

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard

Vice Mayor Steve Madison (Arrived at 7:02 p.m.)

Councilmember Victor Gordo Councilmember Steve Haderlein

Councilmember Chris Holden (Absent)

Councilmember Paul Little Councilmember Joyce Streator Councilmember Sidney F. Tyler

Staff:

City Manager Cynthia Kurtz

City Attorney Michele Beal Bagneris

City Clerk Jane L. Rodriguez

**CEREMONIAL MATTERS** 

The Mayor presented a proclamation designating April 28, 2006 as Children's Memorial Flag Day. The proclamation was received by Helen Moran Wolf, Foothill Family Services Executive Director.

Ms. Wolf thanked the City for recognizing Children's Memorial Flag Day and the many children who are victims of child abuse and domestic violence, and briefly described services provided by their organization.

The Mayor presented a proclamation designating April 24, 2006 as a Day of Remembrance of the Armenian Genocide. The proclamation was received by Lena Mounkian, Armenian Council of America representative, who was accompanied by youth members.

Ms. Mounkian thanked the City for this recognition and cited a writing of William Saroyan regarding the Armenian people.

The City Manager recognized Mary Jo Winder, (retiring) Senior Planner, for her 16 years of service to the City and her work in developing the City's Mills Act and historical landmark district programs and in assisting to preserve historical buildings in the City.

Ms. Winder thanked the City for the experience and opportunity to work with so many great people.

The Mayor thanked Ms. Winder for her accomplishments on behalf of the City.

#### **INFORMATION ITEM**

### ORAL PRESENTATION REGARDING THE ROSE BOWL AQUATICS CENTER BY WILLIAM THOMSON

Mr. William E. Thomson, Jr., Chair of the Rose Bowl Aquatics Center (RBAC) Board, introduced members of the Board who were in attendance, and commended Kurt Knop for his leadership as Executive Director of RBAC.

Vice Mayor Madison arrived at 7:02 p.m.

Mr. Knop provided an overview of RBAC's pools and programs, various community services, financial information and fundraising efforts, and capital improvements completed in 2005; and distributed a handout outlining this information. He responded to questions regarding types of lessons and programs provided at the Center, scholarships and discounted programs, use of funds provided by the City, use of RBAC funds for maintenance, and issues related to deferred maintenance and various capital improvement projects. He also distributed a brochure on the "Fit for Life" senior swimming program presented by RBAC and the Pasadena Senior Center.

Mr. Dennis Murphy, RBAC Board member and Finance Committee Chair, reported on students involved in water polo and swim/dive teams at the Center who are able to obtain scholarships to Division I schools. He also discussed impacts that may result from future increased gas bills.

Mr. Millard Murphy, RBAC Board member and Scholarship Committee Chair, discussed scholarship programs provided by the Center.

Mr. Knop indicated a copy of RBAC's independent financial audit for 2005 will be provided to Councilmember Tyler at his request, when it is completed.

Mr. Thomson briefly discussed negotiations for a revised agreement involving a financial loan between the City and RBAC, noted that RBAC's proposed changes to the agreement had been presented to the City, and suggested that representatives from the RBAC and City meet to talk through the issues involved with the loan.

Following brief discussion, the City Manager indicated a meeting between City staff and the RBAC will be planned within the next few weeks, with members of a Council committee to participate in the bilateral discussions, if that is requested.

Councilmember Streator thanked the RBAC for its report.

The Mayor indicated staff will keep the Council apprised on the agreement negotiations, and acknowledged the commitment of the RBAC Board members and the competency of the RBAC Executive Director.

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Jose Barba, 64 Mar Vista, LLC representative, expressed concerns regarding ongoing negotiations with the City involving affordable housing covenants related to a condominium conversion project, and asked Council's assistance in moving this matter forward.

The Mayor indicated Assistant City Manager Brian Williams will contact Mr. Barba regarding the situation.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER FOR PORTABLE RADIOS TO THE MOTOROLA CORPORATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$227,730 FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT Recommendation of City Manager:

- (1) Authorize the issuance of a purchase order to the Motorola Corporation in a total amount not to exceed \$227,730 for the purchase of digital radios; and
- (2) Grant the proposed purchase order exemption from competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002 (C), contracts for labor, materials, supplies or services available from only one vendor.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF TWO GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION'S CALFED WATER USE EFFICIENCY GRANT PROGRAM AND THE WATER 2025 CHALLENGE GRANT PROGRAM Recommendation of City Manager: Approve and adopt the resolution required for two grant applications to the U.S.

Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, for the CALFED Water Use Efficiency Grant and the Water 2025 Challenge Grant. (Resolution No. 8576)

AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN WITH **MEMBERS** AGREEMENT OF WATER/WASTEWATER AGENCY RESPONSE NETWORK TO PROMOTE CITY-WIDE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS. AND TO PROVIDE FOR DISASTER RESPONSE AND MUTUAL ASSISTANCE TO VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS Recommendation of City Manager: Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with members of the Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (WARN) to promote City-wide emergency preparedness, and to provide for disaster responses and mutual assistance for the Water and Power Department and the Public Works Department for water/wastewater operations. (Agreement No. 19,056)

### APPROVAL OF FINAL PARCEL MAP NO. 27164, BEING A TWO-UNIT CONDOMINIUM PROJECT AT 407 LOLA AVENUE

Recommendation of City Manager: Adopt a resolution to:

- (1) Approve Final Parcel Map No. 27164;
- (2) Accept the offer of an easement dedication for street purposes as shown on said map; and
- (3) Authorize the City Clerk to execute the certificate on the map showing the City's approval of said map and acceptance of said dedication. (Resolution No. 8577)

APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 54348 FOR A MIXED-USE PROJECT COMPRISED OF RETAIL AND OFFICE SPACES AND NINE RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM UNITS AT 141 SOUTH HUDSON AVENUE

**Recommendation of City Manager**: Adopt a resolution to:

- (1) Approve Final Tract Map No. 54348; and
- (2) Authorize the City Clerk to execute the certificate on the map showing the City's approval of said map. (Resolution No. 8578)

Item discussed separately at the request of Councilmember Little.

APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 061028 FOR A MIXED-USE PROJECT COMPRISED OF COMMERCIAL SPACE AND 34 CONDOMINIUM UNITS AT 315 NORTH HILL AVENUE

Item discussed separately at the request of Vice Mayor Madison.

REJECTION OF BID - STONE WALL RESTORATION AND CONSTRUCTION AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE LOWER ARROYO

LEASE EXTENSION FOR NORTHWEST PROGRAMS DIVISION OFFICE AT 236 WEST MOUNTAIN STREET Recommendation of City Manager: Approve the terms and conditions, as summarized in the agenda report, and authorize

the City Manager to execute a lease amendment between the City of Pasadena (Lessee), and the Flint Ridge Foundation (Lessor) and any other documents necessary to carry out this transaction. (Agreement Amendment No. 17,438-1)

Item discussed separately at the request of Councilmember Little.

AWARD OF CONTRACT TO E. C. CONSTRUCTION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SITE IMPROVEMENTS AT BROOKSIDE PARK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$310,000

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH PERRY C. THOMAS CONSTRUCTION, INC., TO PROVIDE LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF CHAIN LINK FENCING AT WATER RESERVOIRS AND VARIOUS WATER FACILITIES FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT, SPECIFICATION WD-04-04 Recommendation of City Manager:

(1) Accept the bid dated January 11, 2006, submitted by Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc., in responses to Specification WD-04-04 for providing labor and materials for the installation of chain link fencing at water reservoirs and various water facilities for the Water and Power Department; and

(2) Authorize a contract between the City and Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc., not to exceed \$260,000. (Contract No. 19,057)

MINUTES APPROVED

April 3, 2006

April 10, 2006 (Special Joint Meeting)

April 10, 2006

April 17, 2006 (Cancelled)

### CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

Claim No. 10,078	Grace Yunkung Lee	\$ Not stated
Claim No. 10,079	Terry Collier	224.52
Claim No. 10,080	Amir Youssef	1,988.74
Claim No. 10,081	Vurnice Parker	1,620.43
Claim No. 10,082	Timothy Miller	166.78
Claim No. 10,083	Jacquelin Dunagan	Not stated
Claim No. 10,084	Anthony A. Liberatore, P.C.,	Not stated
	on behalf of Tomas Avalos	
Claim No. 10,085	Maxine Fields	100,000.00
Claim No. 10,086	Joseph Bornheimer	2,716.62
Claim No. 10,087	Donald Tambayong	1,930.20
Claim No. 10,088	Vivian E. Turner	Not stated
Claim No. 10,089	Danny Abdulla	799.30
Claim No. 10,090	Danny Abdulla	799.30
Claim No. 10,091	Monica Villegas and	2,947.92
	Guillermo Villegas	•
Claim No. 10,092	Lighthouse Christian Store	1,076.65
Claim No. 10,093	Michael D. Nagle	1,912.18
Claim No. 10,094	Everado Rodriguez	24.00

PUBLIC HEARING SET

May 8, 2006, 8:00 p.m. - Fiscal Year 2007 Recommended Operating Budget

It was moved by Councilmember Tyler, seconded by Councilmember Little, to approve the Consent Calendar with the exceptions of Item 6 (Final Tract Map for 315 North Hill Avenue), Item 7 (Rejection of Bid for Stone Wall Restoration and Construction), and Item 9 (Contract to E. C. Construction), which were discussed separately. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Holden)

### CONSENT ITEMS DISCUSSED SEPARATELY

APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 061028 FOR A MIXED-USE PROJECT COMPRISED OF COMMERCIAL SPACE AND 34 CONDOMINIUM UNITS AT 315 NORTH HILL AVENUE

**Recommendation of City Manager**: Adopt a resolution to:

(1) Approve Final Tract Map No. 061028;

(2) Accept the offer of an easement dedication for street purposes as shown on said map; and

(3) Authorize the City Clerk to execute the certificate on the map showing the City's approval of said map and acceptance of said dedication. (Resolution No. 8579)

# AWARD OF CONTRACT TO E. C. CONSTRUCTION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SITE IMPROVEMENTS AT BROOKSIDE PARK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$310,000 Recommendation of City Manager:

(1) Accept the bid, dated April 5, 2006, submitted by E. C. Construction in response to the specifications for Brookside Park Renovation.

(2) Reject all other bids received;

(3) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract not to exceed \$310,000, which includes the base bid of \$282,995.64 and \$27,004.36, for any additional work the City may order pursuant to the project specifications. (Contract No. 19,058)

The above two agenda items were discussed concurrently.

Councilmember Little requested that the Inclusionary off-site transfer units come on-line before the Certificate of Occupancy is issued for the mixed-use project at 315 N. Hill Avenue.

Councilmember Streator suggested a future separate discussion be held by Council regarding the issue of off-site affordable units and the time requirement for completing the off-site units as this relates to original projects and as demonstrated in the above mixed-use project.

Mr. Brian Williams, Assistant City Manager, briefly discussed the production of off-site affordable units as currently experienced by the City.

In response to Councilmember Little's question on the Brookside Park project, Martin Pastucha, Director of Public

Works Department, confirmed that unused funds from any project are returned to the fund source.

The City Manager also confirmed that unused funds from a project may be reallocated to other projects.

It was moved by Councilmember Streator, seconded by Councilmember Little, to approve the City Manager's recommendations for the above two agenda items. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Holden)

# REJECTION OF BID - STONE WALL RESTORATION AND CONSTRUCTION AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE LOWER ARROYO

Recommendation of City Manager: Reject the bid received on February 22, 2006, in response to specifications for the repair of existing stone walls and the construction of new arroyo stone walls at various locations in the Lower Arroyo.

In response to Vice Mayor Madison's questions, Martin Pastucha, Director of Public Works Department, explained the next steps in re-packaging the project and the second bid process.

Mr. Todd Holmes, Landscape Architect, briefly described the locations included in the project, and noted the various locations of the stone wall project referenced in the third paragraph of the background section of the agenda report should be corrected to read "Central Lower Arroyo."

Vice Mayor Madison stressed the need to move forward with this work, since the funds have been budgeted for some time.

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

# REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

### CITY HALL SEISMIC RETROFIT PROJECT - QUARTERLY UPDATE

Recommendation of City Hall Restoration Oversight Committee: This report is for informational purposes only.

Councilmember Little, Chair of the Finance Committee, introduced the agenda item and thanked the Oversight Committee Chair and members for their work.

Dr. Paul Jennings, Chair of the City Hall Restoration Oversight Committee, reviewed the agenda report.

The Mayor commended Dr. Jennings for his commitment to the retrofit project.

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

#### CITY HALL SEISMIC RETROFIT PROJECT - APPROVAL OF CONTINGENCY ADJUSTMENTS AND CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 TO THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR

Recommendation of City Manager:

- (1) Approve the allocation of \$309,534 from Project activities Contingency unforeseen conditions and for discovered during the retrofit of City Hall, thereby reducing the amount of the Project Contingency from \$7,688,509 to \$7,378,975.
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to execute Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 18,768-1 with Clark Construction Group-California, LP (Clark Construction), for increases in scope of work due to unforeseen conditions discovered during the retrofit of City Hall, thereby increasing the contract amount by \$309,534 from \$79,846,403 to \$80,155,937.

Recommendation of City Hall Restoration Oversight Committee: On April 12, 2006, the City Hall Restoration Oversight Committee reviewed and discussed the topics of contingency adjustments, General Contract Change Order No. 4, and recommended the following:

The Committee concurred that these changes are reasonable and consistent with ongoing construction activities of similar projects. The Committee recommended that the City Council authorize the allocation of \$309,534 from Project Contingency and increase Contract No. 18,768-1 with Clark Construction by \$309,534.

Councilmember Little summarized the agenda report.

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

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### **PUBLIC** CONTINUED **HEARING:** FY 2007-2012 RECOMMENDED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT **PROGRAM** BUDGET

Recommendation of City Manager: Receive public comment and continue the public hearing to each subsequent regular meeting of the City Council at 7:00 p.m. until May 8, 2006, or such other later date as the City Council may determine, and at which time the City Council will be asked to close the public hearing and formally adopt the FY 2007-2012 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

The Mayor announced now was the time for the continued public hearing.

Councilmember Little, Chair of the Finance Committee. reported the Committee had discussed reports on municipal buildings and facilities, technology, and parks and landscaping at the Special Joint Meeting of the City Council and Finance Committee held on April 24, 2006 at 3:00 p.m.; and announced the Joint Meeting to be held on May 1st would discuss reports on Arroyo projects, the water system, the electric system, Pasadena Center improvements, and Rose Bowl improvements, as time allows.

No one appeared for public comment.

On order of the Mayor, the public hearing was continued to the Council meeting of May 1, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

### CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF 361 ADENA STREET AS A LANDMARK

Recommendation of City Manager:

- (1) Find that the circa 1890 house at 361 Adena Street does not meet the criteria for landmark designation in Section 17.62.040(B) of the Pasadena Municipal Code because it lacks architectural integrity due to substantial fire damage in the 1960's; and because evidence that the property has an important association with the lives of a person or persons who may have owned or occupied the house is inconclusive.
- (2) Deny the application for designation of the property as a landmark.

Recommendation of Historic Preservation Commission: On November 7, 2005, the Historic Preservation Commission voted to recommend denial of the application for designation of 361 Adena Street as a landmark.

The Mayor announced the property owner had requested a continuance of the above public hearing.

On order of the Mayor, the above public hearing was continued to June 26, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

- (1) Approve the addendum to the Initial Environmental Study prepared for the proposed project and approve the Mitigated Negative Declaration (Attachment 1 of the agenda report);
- (2) Approve the De Minimis Impact Finding on the State Fish and Wildlife Habitat (Attachment 2 of the agenda report);
- (3) Find that the proposed amendment to the PD-11 district is consistent with the policies and goals of the General Plan and the purposes of Title 17 as outlined in the agenda report;
- (4) Approve the amendment to the PD-11 (Planned Development-11, Foothill Boulevard, Craig Avenue, and White

Street) district (Attachment 4 of the agenda report);

(5) Direct the City Clerk to file a Notice of Determination and a Certificate of Fee Exemption for the California Department of Fish and Game, with the Los Angeles County Recorder (Attachment 3 of the agenda report); and

(6) Direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending the PD-11 (Planned Development-11, Foothill Boulevard, Craig

Avenue, and White Street) district within 60 days.

Recommendation of Planning Commission: The Planning Commission reviewed the proposed amendment to the PD-11 district at its meeting on January 11, 2006, and voted 7-0 with one abstention to not recommend staff's recommendation. The Commission concluded that the project does not advance General Plan policies which promote the creation of jobs and revenue for the City, and that a preferred future development on the site should be a commercial use. Earlier, in July 2004, the Commission had made the same recommendation when considering the original PD amendment and 4-story self-storage proposal for this site.

Recommendation of Design Commission: The Design Commission reviewed the proposed amendment to the PD-11 plan on November 14, 2005 and recommended approval of the project subject to concept and final design review of the new

structure by the Design Commission.

The Mayor announced now was the time for the continued public hearing.

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

Mr. Richard Bruckner, Director of Planning and Development Department, clarified that the zoning was site specific for this project.

Mr. Brett Barnard, Barnard Foothill I, LCC representative, spoke in support of the project.

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

Councilmember Gordo questioned whether the zoning in this area (White Street to Foothill Boulevard, easterly from Craig Avenue) will still allow destruction of residential properties on White Street, and reminded staff that this issue was raised when Council reviewed the proposed project a year ago. He stated his opinion that the destruction of residential properties on White Street was not appropriate in a residential neighborhood and that these properties should be protected from the encroachment from commercial projects located on Foothill Boulevard in the future.

In response to Councilmember Gordo's concern, the City Manager indicated staff will research the zoning issue and will respond through the weekly information letter to Council.

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

### <u>PUBLIC HEARING</u>: ANNUAL AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL FEE SCHEDULE

Recommendation of City Manager: It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution approving the FY 2006-2007 General Fee Schedule. These amended fees shall take effect on July 1, 2006. (Resolution No. 8580)

The Mayor opened by the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported the notice of public hearing was published on April 3, 2006 in the <u>Pasadena Star-News</u>; and no correspondence was received.

Councilmember Little summarized the agenda report, and noted the fees listed in the Fee Schedule are correct, but that the following corrections apply to page 1 of the attachment to the agenda report titled "Notes to the General Fee Schedule" – under the Fire Department section:

- 2. Hazardous Vegetation Inspection (fee #120) proposed fee \$92.00 \$138.00.
- 3. Hazardous Materials Non-Compliance Reinspections (fee #121) proposed fee \$701.00 \$573.00.
- 4. Hazardous Materials Additional Inspections four or more (fee #122) proposed fee \$338.00 \$276.00.

Mr. Steve Mermell, Acting Director of Finance Department, provided additional information on the basis for the new Police Department fee for Domestic Weapon Storage and on the fee increase for the Enterprise Zone Employment Voucher so that a \$10 fee charged by the State to the City is included in the fee for this service.

No one appeared for public comment.

It was moved by Councilmember Little, seconded by Councilmember Streator, to close the public hearing. (<u>Motion unanimously carried</u>) (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Holden)

It was moved by Councilmember Little, seconded by Councilmember Streator, to approve the City Manager's recommendation. (<u>Motion unanimously carried</u>) (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Holden)

Councilmember Gordo was excused at 8:09 p.m.

The City Manager indicated an in-depth study of the General Fee Schedule will be performed by a consultant in the next 5-8 year period to assist in ensuring that the City's fees are kept at an appropriate level.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

ADOPT A RESOLUTION URGING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO INCLUDE THE METRO GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION AS A FUNDED PROJECT IN THE 2006 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Recommendation of City Manager: It is recommended that City Council adopt a resolution urging the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board of Directors to include the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension as a funded project in the 2006 Long Range Transportation Plan for Los Angeles County. The proposed resolution also requests the Metro Board to assist the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority in their effort to obtain Federal First Starts funds from the Federal Transportation Authority. (Resolution No. 8581)

The Mayor introduced the agenda item.

Mr. Mark Yamarone, Principal Transportation Planner, reviewed the agenda report and responded to questions.

Councilmember Little suggested the City contact the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) staff for information on the project priorities the Authority may be recommending for funding prior to the public discussion of these recommendations.

Councilmember Streator requested the City provide copies of the resolution to MTA Board members John Fasana and Supervisor Michael Antonovich.

The City Manager reported the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority was coordinating efforts on behalf of the San Gabriel Valley cities involving the MTA and funding for the project.

It was moved by Councilmember Little, seconded by Councilmember Streator, to approve the City Manager's recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Holden)

The Mayor thanked staff for their efforts on the Gold Line Foothill Extension project.

at 8:17 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF CALL FOR REVIEW OF A STAFF DECISION TO THE DESIGN COMMISSION REGARDING A CONSOLIDATED DESIGN REVIEW FOR Councilmember Gordo returned CONSTRUCTION OF A TWO-STORY OFFICE/RETAIL **BUILDING (PLAZA GIMALI - 208 EAST ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD)** (Councilmember Gordo)

> Councilmember Gordo announced that staff had informed him that concerns regarding parking issues and the type of use involved with the structure can be addressed at the time that the property owner identifies a tenant for the building and/or a problem arises with the adequacy of required parking for the building.

> Consequently, Councilmember Gordo withdrew his request for consideration of the call for review and no further action was taken.

> APPOINTMENT OF VAHE ATCHABAHIAN TO THE HUMAN **RELATIONS COMMISSION** (District 2 Nomination)

> RESIGNATION OF P. MICHAEL BRADY FROM THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION (District 2 Nomination)

> RESIGNATION OF CHANNA **ARVISO** FROM THE **NORTHWEST COMMISSION** (District 3 Nomination)

> It was moved by Councilmember Little, seconded by Councilmember Haderlein, to approve the above appointment and accept the above resignations with regrets. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Holden)

> CITY COUNCIL **MEETING EFFICIENCY** RECOMMENDATIONS (Ad Hoc Committee - Vice Mayor Madison, Councilmember Gordo, and Councilmember Little)

> Vice Mayor Madison, Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee, provided a background for the Committee's charge and reported on the discussion of ways to improve the efficiency of Council meetings and presented the following proposed changes for consideration:

- move the Council meeting to Thursday evening (notice special meetings on Thursday on an experimental basis for a designated period of time as a trial during summer months)
- schedule two Thursday meetings a month (on the Thursday before a 9/80 Friday work day), with a third Thursday meeting to be scheduled, if necessary, to discuss a single topic or policy issue
- institute a guideline that items will not be taken up after a certain time in the evening, when possible

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- reduce the number of total Council meetings held (e.g. schedule a summer recess in August, eliminate meetings held around times when cancellations have occurred in the past)
- research best practices that have been implemented by other governmental bodies
- schedule a Council retreat (in September) after an experimental time period of implementing changes to discuss permanent changes
- make the new City Hall as technologically proficient and user-friendly as possible for the Council and citizens
- begin closed sessions at an earlier time (5:00 p.m.)
- provide Council with closed session materials prior to the meeting, if possible
- notice public hearings for 7:00 p.m.

Vice Mayor Madison noted that some of these changes could be implemented on an experimental basis during the summer months, and the Committee had decided that beginning the public meeting at an earlier time was not appropriate.

Councilmember Gordo outlined constituents' concerns regarding items being discussed at late hours of the evening and resultant negative impacts on accessibility of the public to these late-night discussions.

It was noted that there would be impacts to Senior Center programs if Council changed the day of its meetings to Thursday evening.

The City Clerk noted that Council could implement some changes more quickly, while the change in meeting day could possibly be held until the Council meeting location is back at City Hall. In response to the Committee's request, she distributed a memo from the City Manager dated April 10, 2006 titled "Tips for Running Short and Effective Meetings." The City Clerk outlined the work performed by her office in processing the legislative documents the day after the Council meeting.

The City Manager indicated a report on the technology aspects of City Hall would be presented to the Economic Development and Technology Committee in May 2006, and discussed possible adjustments to scheduling items on the agenda for a reduced amount of meetings.

Discussion followed on the impacts that might result from a change to a Thursday evening Council meeting: the need to modify pre-meeting preparations and post-meeting processes, possible conflicts with the City's 9/80 work schedule, and possible conflicts with scheduling meeting space at the Senior Center in the interim time out of City Hall. The discussion also included concerns regarding taking up agenda items at late

hours in the meeting and carrying over items from one meeting to another if the total number of meetings were reduced.

Councilmember Haderlein suggested written recommendations be submitted to Council for consideration at a future Council meeting to allow the opportunity for public input on the proposed changes.

Councilmember Streator expressed support for presenting written recommendations to Council for discussion, consulting with the Senior Center regarding impacts of the proposed schedule change to Thursday evening on Center programming, and exploring ways to better regulate the time allowed for speakers to participate on an item while the meetings are being held at the Senior Center. She expressed concerns involved with reducing the number of Council meetings and possible impacts on the length of meetings, and with moving the Council meeting to Thursday evening and staff's ability to perform the necessary work related to the meeting. She expressed support for reducing the number of Monday meetings to two or three a month on a trial basis.

Vice Mayor Tyler asked that verification of the number of meetings that will actually be held this year be included with the written recommendations, and expressed concerns regarding Council's ability to complete its workload with a further reduction in the number of scheduled meetings.

The Mayor offered an alternative of reducing the number of scheduled Monday meetings to allow for at least one meeting per month to be cancelled.

By Council consensus, the written recommendations will return to Council at a meeting in the near future.

The Mayor thanked the Ad Hoc Committee members and staff for their work on the task and above recommendations.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council recessed at 9:03 p.m. to the regular meeting of the Community Development Commission.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council reconvened at 9:04 p.m. (Absent: Councilmember Holden)

Conduct first reading of "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING CHAPTER 10.45 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING SECTION 10.45.100 (A), CHANGING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE OLD PASADENA PARKING METER ZONE DISTRICT"

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RECONVENED

<u>ORDINANCES – FIRST</u> READING The above ordinance was offered for first reading by Vice Mayor Madison:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Haderlein, Little, Streator,

Tyler, Vice Mayor Madison, Mayor Bogaard

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Holden

Conduct first reading of "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING TITLE 17 (THE ZONING CODE) TO CHANGE THE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS OF THE MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS (RM-16, 32 AND 48; CITY OF GARDENS), PARKING STANDARDS AND THE ENCROACHMENT STANDARDS"

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

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Haderlein, Little, Streator,

Tyler, Vice Mayor Madison, Mayor Bogaard

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Holden

Councilmember Haderlein recused himself at 9:05 p.m., due to a conflict of interest

Conduct first reading of "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF PASADENA ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 17.20.020 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO CHANGE THE DESIGNATION FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF CALIFORNIA BOULEVARD AT FAIRMONT AVENUE, A PRIVATE STREET"

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

AYES: Cou

Councilmembers Gordo, Little, Streator, Tyler,

Vice Mayor Madison, Mayor Bogaard

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers Haderlein, Holden

Councilmember Haderlein returned at 9:06 p.m.

Conduct first reading of "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF PASADENA ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 17.20.020 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE (BELLEFONTAINE LANDMARK OVERLAY DISTRICT)"

The above ordinance was offered for first reading by Vice Mayor Madison:

AYES:

Councilmembers Gordo, Haderlein, Little, Streator,

Tyler, Vice Mayor Madison, Mayor Bogaard

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Holden

#### **ORDINANCE - ADOPTED**

Adopt "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING TITLE 2, TO CHANGE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE DESIGN COMMISSION" (Introduced by Councilmember Haderlein) (Ordinance No. 7036)

The above ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Haderlein, Tyler, Vice

Mayor Madison, Mayor Bogaard

NOES: Councilmembers Little, Streator

ABSENT: Councilmember Holden

#### REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

# ORAL STATUS REPORT FROM CITY'S APPOINTEE ON THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS GOVERNING BOARD (Councilmember Tyler)

Councilmember Tyler distributed a handout titled "Status Report on the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments – April 24, 2006" that outlined the following updates presented to Council:

- Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Audit of OWP Contract: 2002-2005
- District Attorney Investigation Conflict of Interest (OWP award)
- CalTrans Investigation Conflict of Interest (OWP award)
- Expenditures for Legal Services Year-to-Date for Above 3 Cases
- Substantial By-Laws Revisions
- FY 2005 Audit Report
- Management Letter to Audit
- Strategic Planning Workshop on June 3, 2006
- Estimated FY 2006 Profits and Losses
- Preliminary FY 2007 Budget
- San Gabriel Valley Council of Government's (COG) need to "repatriate" its \$105,000 from ACE to prevent insolvency
- Arrroyo Associates Contract

Councilmember Tyler responded to questions on the above items and the solvency of the COG.

Councilmember Little asked for a copy of the by-laws revisions, when available; stated his opinion that the by-laws should reflect the intent of the COG to promote the interests of its membership; suggested the COG consider the possibility of bidding out the legal and administrative services that are currently contracted; and expressed confidence in Councilmember Tyler's ability to work within the organization on behalf of the City.

Councilmember Tyler indicated he will report to Council in September 2006.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Haderlein announced the grand opening of the Viña Vieja Park on April 29, 2006.

Vice Mayor Madison announced an event to launch the establishment of the First Tee program (non-profit organization affiliated with Brookside Park Golf Course) to be held on April 25, 2006 at the Golf Course.

Following brief discussion, Vice Mayor Madison indicated a letter would be submitted from the Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC) requesting that an item be agendized for Council's approval to refer the Valley Hunt Club Master Plan to TAC.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Bill Bogaard, Mayor City of Pasadena

ATTEST:

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