

CITY OF PASADENA
City Council Minutes
January 28, 2008 – 5:00 P.M.
City Hall Council Chamber

SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING

OPENING:

Mayor Bogaard called the special meeting to order at 5:20 p.m. (Absent: Councilmember Tyler, Vice Mayor Haderlein)

On order of the Mayor, the special meeting recessed at 5:20 p.m., to discuss the following closed session:

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE REGARDING PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Employee 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 6:42 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sergeant Chris Russ.

ROLL CALL:

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard
Vice Mayor Steve Haderlein (Absent)
Councilmember Victor Gordo
Councilmember Chris Holden
Councilmember Steve Madison
Councilmember Margaret McAustin
Councilmember Jacque Robinson
Councilmember Sidney F. Tyler (Absent)

Staff:

City Manager Bernard K. Melekian
City Attorney Michele Beal Bagneris
City Clerk Jane L. Rodriguez

CERMONIAL MATTERS

Police Commander Paul Gales introduced Sergeant Chris Russ as the Sergeant-at-Arms for the next three-month rotation.

The Mayor presented a proclamation declaring February as Scholars Month. The proclamation was received by Paris O'Kelly, Bright Futures Scholars Program participant, and Dr. Sandra Thomas, representing the Bright Futures Scholars Program through the Quality of Life Center, Inc.

Dr. Thomas acknowledged the delegation of Program Scholars who were present, and thanked the Mayor and Council for their continuing support of the Program and the development of community youth.

Nicole Hodge, Bright Futures Scholars Program participant, presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the Mayor for his participation as a mentor in the Program.

Ashlyn Brown, Bright Futures Scholars Program participant, presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the City Manager for his participation as a mentor in the Program.

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

Kathy Murrell, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority/Pasadena Alumnae Chapter First Vice President, outlined various activities/programs of this public service organization, expressed support for the work being done by the City's Youth Development and Violence Prevention Committee and asked the City Council to continue to hold these Committee meetings in various locations of the community, commended the Council for its collaboration with the Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD), and encouraged the Council to ensure that affordable housing is provided for low and moderate income persons.

Dianne Lewis, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority/Pasadena Alumnae Chapter Co-Chair of Political Awareness and Involvement Committee, outlined the Chapter's participation in various activities (Delta Days in Washington D.C., Sacramento, and Los Angeles County, and the 2008 Young African American Women's Conference to be held on March 29, 2008 at Pasadena City College); and submitted a fact sheet on the Conference.

Jeri Durham, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority/Foothill Alumnae Chapter member, also expressed support for the work being done by the Youth Development and Violence Prevention Committee and for the meetings being held at various community sites (e.g., Jackie Robinson Center), emphasized the need for the City's attention to the affordable housing ordinances that affect low and moderate income persons and the need to create more choices in the rental market, and encouraged Council to expand its collaboration with PUSD and to continue to fund and expand programs for youth (e.g., afterschool and summer jobs, gang intervention activities, volunteer opportunities, sports programs, and educational enrichment experiences).

Marvin Schachter, Pasadena Senior Advocacy Council representative, commented on the Council's role in future reviews and decisions regarding the public space use of the St. Luke Hospital site by the new owner/developer.

The following persons expressed opposition to the proposed installation of a traffic signal at the corner of East Orange Grove Boulevard and Craig Avenue, and offered suggestions to make the intersection safer:

Frank Duerr, East Orange Grove Neighborhood Association (EOGNA) member
June Takenouchi, EOGNA President, submitted a letter from the Association dated January 22, 2008 and petitions with 200 signatures in opposition to the traffic signal, and asked staff to confirm the car accidents that have occurred in this area over the past 10 years when studying the problems with the intersection.

Councilmember McAustin noted that, as a result of a community meeting about problems involving the Orange Grove Boulevard/Craig Avenue intersection, staff was encouraged and directed to study alternatives for this area that might address the safety issues and concerns raised by the neighborhood.

The City Manager indicated the original impetus for a traffic signal at the intersection came from the neighborhood, and he would follow up with staff and inform Council on the status of additional information gathered by staff.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Item discussed separately at the request of Councilmember McAustin.

AUTHORIZATION TO CONTRACT WITH EBUS, INC., TO PROVIDE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AND EXTENDED WARRANTY FOR FIVE (5) HYBRID ELECTRIC BUSES

Item discussed separately at the request of Councilmember Madison.

APPROVAL OF FINAL VESTING TRACT MAP NO. 065356, BEING THE CONVERSION OF A 64-UNIT APARTMENT COMPLEX INTO A 64-UNIT CONDOMINIUM PROJECT, AT 985 SOUTH ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD

APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF AN EASEMENT DEDICATION FOR STREET PURPOSES AT 1801 EAST WASHINGTON BOULEVARD

Recommendation of City Manager: Adopt a resolution approving and accepting a proposed easement dedication for street purposes at 1801 East Washington Boulevard. (Resolution No. 8815)

Item discussed separately at the request of Councilmember McAustin.

AGREEMENT FOR DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND CITY OF SAN MARINO

Item discussed separately at the request of Councilmember McAustin.

CONTRACT AWARD TO U.S. DEMOLITION, INC. FOR BUILDING AND SITE DEMOLITION FOR HIGHLAND PLASTICS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$231,600

REJECTION OF ALL BIDS FOR THE FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION OF MOAT SCREEN, GATE AND PLATFORMS AT PASADENA CITY HALL

Recommendation of City Manager: Reject the bid received

on December 28, 2007, in response to the Specifications for the Fabrication and Installation of Moat Screen, Gate and Platforms at Pasadena City Hall.

AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF ONE GMC VERSALIFT SST40 AERIAL TRUCK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$93,560

Recommendation of City Manager:

(1) Authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Victor GMC in an amount not to exceed \$93,560 for the Purchase of One New Replacement Aerial Truck; and

(2) Grant an exemption from competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H), contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, material, supplies or services.

MINUTES APPROVED

January 7, 2008
January 14, 2008
January 21, 2008

CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

Claim No. 10,514	Phillip A. Elmaraghi	\$ Not stated
Claim No. 10,515	Nicole Corbin	881.65
Claim No. 10,516	Gema Akuginow	Not stated
Claim No. 10,517	Team Cheverolet	935.90
Claim No. 10,518	William Bauman	2,000.00
Claim No. 10,519	Federated Insurance as Subrogee for Symes Motors, Inc.	9,200.36
Claim No. 10,520	April Boettcher	3,436.00
Claim No. 10,521	Othella Owens	1,411.68
Claim No. 10,522	Martha Munguia	120.00
Claim No. 10,523	Pamela Mahan	170.00
Claim No. 10,524	Nadine Pensis	Not stated

PUBLIC HEARINGS SET

April 7, 2008, 7:30 p.m. - Approval and Submittal of the Public Housing Agency Annual Plan (2008-2009) to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

April 14, 2008, 7:30 p.m. - Fiscal Year 2009-2013 Recommended Capital Improvement Program Budget

April 28, 2008, 7:30 p.m. - General Fee Schedule

April 28, 2008, 7:30 p.m. - Schedule of Taxes, Fees and Charges

It was moved by Councilmember Robinson, seconded by Councilmember Madison, to approve the Consent Calendar with the exceptions of Item 1 (Contract with Ebus, Inc.), Item 2 (Approval of Final Vesting Tract Map No. 065356), Item 4 (Agreement with City of San Marino), and Item 5 (Contract with U.S. Demolition, Inc.), which were discussed separately. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Tyler, Vice Mayor Haderlein)

**CONSENT ITEMS
DISCUSSED SEPARATELY**

The following four agenda items were discussed concurrently.

AUTHORIZATION TO CONTRACT WITH EBUS, INC., TO PROVIDE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AND EXTENDED WARRANTY FOR FIVE (5) HYBRID ELECTRIC BUSES

Recommendation of City Manager: Authorize a contract with Ebus, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$108,900 for routine vehicle maintenance service and extended warranty on the turbine engines of City-owned hybrid electric buses, without competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(C), contract for labor, materials, supplies or services available from only one vendor.

In response to Councilmember McAustin's question, the City Manager clarified the reason for the contract's one-year term.

APPROVAL OF FINAL VESTING TRACT MAP NO. 065356, BEING THE CONVERSION OF A 64-UNIT APARTMENT COMPLEX INTO A 64-UNIT CONDOMINIUM PROJECT, AT 985 SOUTH ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD

Recommendation of City Manager:

- (1) Adopt a resolution to approve Final Vesting Tract Map No. 065356;
- (2) Accept the offer of an easement dedication for sanitary sewer 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. (Resolution No. 8816)

Councilmember Madison commented on the loss of rental units to condominium conversion projects.

The City Manager noted there were four sites (including this project) in the pipeline prior to the City enacting the moratorium on condominium conversions.

AGREEMENT FOR DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND CITY OF SAN MARINO

Recommendation of City Manager: Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with the City of San Marino for coordinated Dial-A-Ride services for the period of January 1, 2008 to June 30, 2008, with authority to extend the agreement for one year through June 30, 2009. (Agreement No. 19,530)

In response to Councilmember McAustin's question, Cathi Cole, Transit Manager, explained the rationale for the cost sharing amounts in providing the Dial-A-Ride services.

CONTRACT AWARD TO U.S. DEMOLITION, INC. FOR BUILDING AND SITE DEMOLITION FOR HIGHLAND PLASTICS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$231,600

Recommendation of City Manager:

- (1) Accept the bid dated January 9, 2008 submitted by U.S. Demolition, Inc., for Building and Site Demolition for Highland Plastics;
- (2) Reject all other bids received; and
- (3) Authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract for a not to exceed amount of \$231,600. (Contract No. 19,531)

In response to Councilmember McAustin's question, Martin Pastucha, Director of Public Works Department, clarified the contract's contingency amount that would cover unexpected costs that could arise once the demolition is started.

It was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Councilmember Robinson, to approve the above four City Manager's recommendations. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Tyler, Vice Mayor Haderlein)

**REPORTS AND COMMENTS
FROM COUNCIL
COMMITTEES**

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Mayor announced that the Finance Committee meeting scheduled for January 28, 2008 had been cancelled due to lack of a quorum, and that the following two agenda items were being presented to Council without review by the Finance Committee.

AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH NORTEL NETWORKS, INC. TO PROVIDE LIFECYCLE UPDATES FOR THE CITY'S NORTEL TELEPHONE SYSTEMS

Recommendation of City Manager:

- (1) Authorize the City Manager to amend Contract No. 19,292 with Nortel Networks, Inc., to increase the amount of the contract from \$800,780 to an amount not to exceed \$1,616,465, for the purchase and implementation of hardware and software lifecycle updates to the City's existing Nortel telephone and automatic call distribution (ACD)/call center systems, without competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services.
- (2) Approve a journal voucher appropriating \$522,685 from the Computing and Communications unappropriated fund balance to Capital Improvement Project (CIP) 71127, Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) Equipment.
- (3) Grant the proposed amendment an exemption from the competitive selection process of the Competitive Bidding and Purchasing Ordinance pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(B), contracts for which the City's best interests are served. (Contract Amendment No. 19,292-1; Journal Voucher No. 2008-14)

The City Manager introduced the agenda item.

Steve Stark, Director of Finance Department, summarized the agenda report and responded to questions.

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

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE WESTERN JUSTICE CENTER FOUNDATION (WJCF) TO OPERATE A NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH WORKERS (NOW) PROGRAM TO RESPOND TO GANG VIOLENCE IN NORTHWEST PASADENA

Recommendation of City Manager:

(1) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with the Western Justice Center Foundation (WJCF) to continue the Neighborhood Outreach Workers (NOW) program, including the identification and employment of local "at risk" youth who will extend the program and its benefits to their peers.

(2) Approve a journal voucher appropriating \$130,000 from the unappropriated General Fund balance to the Human Services and Recreation Department's FY 2008 Operating Budget. (Contract No. 19,532; Journal Voucher No. 2008-15)

The City Manager introduced the agenda item, and noted that the Western Justice Center Foundation (WJCF) had already provided approximately \$10,000 in pro bono services related to the contract.

Horace Wormely, Neighborhood Services Administrator, reviewed the agenda report and responded to questions.

Yvette McDowell, Deputy City Prosecutor, responded to questions regarding the Neighborhood Outreach Workers (NOW) Program.

Councilmember McAustin asked staff to provide a breakdown of how the \$130,000 in funding will be used/allocated, and suggested that Los Angeles County Supervisor Michael Antonovich be approached regarding shared funding from the County for the NOW Program.

The City Manager indicated Council would be provided with a breakdown of how the \$130,000 in funding would be allocated.

The Mayor confirmed that the suggestion of shared funding from the County for the NOW Program would be discussed with Supervisor Antonovich.

Councilmember Robinson, Youth Development and Violence Prevention Committee Vice Chair, confirmed the Committee's support of the City Manager's recommendation.

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

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA CONFIRMING THE AWARD OF ITS ELECTRIC REVENUE BONDS, 2008 SERIES

Recommendation of City Manager: It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution confirming the award of its Electric Revenue Bonds, 2008 Series. (Resolution No. 8817)

Steve Stark, Director of Finance Department, summarized the agenda report, and distributed the resolution with updated financial information on the transaction to be approved by Council.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF 1000 EAST CORDOVA STREET AS A LANDMARK

Recommendation of City Manager: It is recommended that the City Council continue the public hearing, at the applicant's request, to April 7, 2008, at 7:30 p.m.

It was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Councilmember Robinson, to continue the public hearing to April 7, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Tyler, Vice Mayor Haderlein)

PUBLIC HEARING: CALL FOR REVIEW – APPLICATION FOR CONSOLIDATED DESIGN REVIEW – NEW CONSTRUCTION OF TWENTY-ONE UNIT CONDOMINIUM AT 229-247 SOUTH MARENGO AVENUE

Recommendation of City Manager: It is recommended that the City Council:

Environmental Determination:

(1) Find that the proposed project is consistent with the General Plan designation, with the General Plan goals and policies for the area, and with the applicable zoning designation and regulations; and that the project site has no value as a habitat for endangered or threatened species, and can be served by utilities and public services;

(2) Find that approval of the project will not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, pursuant to the approval of the traffic assessment by the Department of Transportation on July 25, 2006;

(3) Find that approval of the project will not result in any

- significant effects relating to noise, air quality or water quality;
- (4) Acknowledge that none of the buildings on the property meets the criteria for designation as landmarks, historic monuments, or for listing in the California or National Registers (and that the project will, therefore, have no effect on historic resources); and
 - (5) Conclude, therefore, that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15332, (Class 32) "in-fill development projects."

Findings for Removal of Specimen Trees and Replacement

Trees:

- (1) Acknowledge that the new development will cause the removal of one protected tree, a Cinnamomum Camphora (camphor tree), with a 36-inch DBH (Tree No. 6 on Sheet L-PD – Attachment B of the agenda report); and
- (2) Approve the removal based on the finding that the canopy of the replacement trees (43 new trees at 24" box or larger – tree legend, Sheet L-PD – Attachment B of the agenda report) will result in a tree canopy coverage of greater significance than the tree canopy coverage being removed within a reasonable time after completion of the project (Section 8.52.075 A, finding No. 6, of the Pasadena Municipal Code).

Findings of Consolidated Design Approval: Find that the design of the project complies with the City-wide Design Principles in the Land-use Element of the General Plan; the Multi-family Residential Development Standards in Chapter 17.22 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, and the Design Guidelines for Windows in Multi-unit Residential projects.

Based on these findings, affirm the decision of the Design Commission of November 26, 2007 to approve the application for consolidated Design Review for 229-247 South Marengo with the following conditions, subject to final review and approval by the staff:

- (1) The paving material shall relate to the base course cast-stone veneer represented on the elevations. The base course material shall be selected with special attention to the detailing of the corners and the interface with wood and stucco elements on the building.
- (2) The elevation drawings shall be revised to include wood facias on all eyebrow elements of the building.
- (3) The architect shall revise and coordinate the floor plans to reflect the final [approved] design.
- (4) The cast-stone cap detail on the balcony rail/parapet shall be included and shall reference the base material used on the building.
- (5) The corner element detail where two windows come together shall be reevaluated. (It may be wood or clear aluminum.)
- (6) The scale of the [pedestrian] entry gates shall be reinvestigated to consider making this element more substantial. The relocation of this element farther back from the street elevation shall be considered.

(7) The dimension of the horizontal railings on the balconies shall be reexamined to insure that they are sturdy/strong enough instead of the half-inch dimension presented in the drawings.

(8) The door selection (size and material) shall be reexamined on the front [street-facing] elevation.

Decision of the Design Commission: The Design Commission at its meeting on November 26, 2007 voted to approve the application for consolidated Design Review for 229-247 South Marengo Avenue (following four previous reviews during 2007) with the eight conditions of approval cited above (Attachment D of the agenda report).

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 34 copies of the notice of public hearing were posted on January 11, 2008; 259 copies of the notice were mailed on January 11, 2008; and 1 letter in support of the project was received.

Richard Bruckner, Director of Planning and Development Department, introduced Mark Odell, recently-hired Senior Planner.

Councilmember Madison indicated that he had concerns regarding the issue of the project's compatibility with the neighborhood, and that Councilmember Tyler also had concerns regarding the project. He suggested this matter be continued for one week out of deference to Councilmember Tyler's desire to be present for the discussion of the project and call for review, and asked the applicants if this would be acceptable.

Ann Higginbotham, legal representative for the applicants (Helen Woo and James Li, principals of Prominent Victoria Corporation), conferred with her clients and then stated that the applicants agree to a one week continuance of the public hearing.

By consensus, the public hearing was continued to February 4, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF 1577 OLD HOUSE ROAD AS A LANDMARK

Recommendation of City Manager: It is recommended that the City Council:

(1) Acknowledge that the designation of a historic resource is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) 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 property at 1577 Old House Road is significant under Criteria A and C for designation as a landmark (Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.40 C) because the house is the only existing structure associated with the Sierra Madre Villa Hotel (1877-1894) and embodies the distinctive characteristics of an early settlement farmhouse;

- (3) Approve the designation of the property at 1577 Old House Road as a landmark;
- (4) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 1577 Old House Road, Pasadena, California;
- (5) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Declaration of Landmark Designation for 1577 Old House Road, Pasadena, California; and
- (6) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder. (Resolution No. 8818)

Recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission: On December 3, 2007, at a noticed public hearing, the Historic Preservation Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the designation of 1577 Old House Road as a landmark.

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 11 copies of the notice of public hearing were posted on January 11, 2008; 44 copies of the notice were mailed on January 11, 2008; and no correspondence was received.

Richard Bruckner, Director of Planning and Development Department, introduced Vicrim Chima, recently-hired Assistant Planner.

Mr. Chima reviewed the agenda report.

No one appeared for public comment.

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

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

PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF 150 FERN DRIVE AS A LANDMARK

Recommendation of City Manager: It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Acknowledge that the designation of a historic resource is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality

Act (CEQA) 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 property at 150 Fern Drive is significant under Criterion C for designation as a landmark (Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.40 C) because it embodies the distinctive characteristics of Spanish Colonial Revival residential architecture and it is a locally significant work of architect Paul Williams;

(3) Approve the designation of the property at 150 Fern Drive as a landmark.

(4) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 150 Fern Drive, Pasadena, California;

(5) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Declaration of Landmark Designation for 150 Fern Drive, Pasadena, California, and

(6) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder. (Resolution No. 8819)

Recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission: On December 3, 2007, at a noticed public hearing, the Historic Preservation Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the designation of 150 Fern Drive as a landmark.

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 16 copies of the notice of public hearing were posted on January 11, 2008; 34 copies of the notice were mailed on January 11, 2008; and no correspondence was received.

Vicrim Chima, Assistant Planner, summarized the agenda report.

No one appeared for public comment.

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

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

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

APPOINTMENT OF PAUL MARTIN TO THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (Garfield Heights Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF MARIANNA MARYSHEVA-MARTINEZ TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (District 4 Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF DAVID WORRELL AS CITY REPRESENTATIVE TO THE STATE ROUTE 710 STEERING COMMITTEE (Mayor Nomination)

It was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to approve the above appointments. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Tyler, Vice Mayor Haderlein)

RECESS

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council recessed at 7:53 p.m. to the regular meeting of the Community Development Commission.

RECONVENED

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council reconvened at 7:54 p.m. (Absent: Councilmember Tyler, Vice Mayor Haderlein)

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING

Councilmember Madison was excused at 7:54 pm.

Conduct first reading of “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING TITLE 2, CHAPTER 2.05, SECTION 2.05.170, SUBSECTION A, OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD AFFORDABLE HOUSING MATTERS TO THE CHARGE OF THE COUNCIL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE”

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

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Holden, McAustin, Robinson, Mayor Bogaard

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers Madison, Tyler, Vice Mayor Haderlein

REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

2008 FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

Recommendation of City Manager: It is recommended that the City Council approve the Federal Legislative Platform for 2008.

The Mayor, Chair of the Legislative Policy Committee, introduced the agenda item and thanked staff for their work on the Platform.

Julie Gutierrez, Assistant City Manager, reviewed the revisions made to the priorities since the Federal Legislative Platform was presented to Council on December 17, 2007; distributed a handout (City of Pasadena, California 2008 Federal Priorities – Parts I, II, and III) that included revisions to the Platform; and responded to questions.

Councilmember McAustin, Legislative Policy Committee member, confirmed that the Committee had reviewed the revisions and that the Platform conformed to Council's prior discussion.

Councilmember Holden suggested the Federal and State legislative priorities be posted on the City's web page.

The City Manager indicated staff will follow up on Councilmember Holden's suggestion, and noted staff was working on integrating and bringing into alignment various goal-setting mechanisms that the City has (e.g., General Plan principles, unfunded priorities, and Federal and State legislative priorities).

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON
MATTERS NOT ON THE
AGENDA** (Continued)

John Gangemi, East Orange Grove Neighborhood Association member, expressed opposition to the proposed installation of a traffic signal at the corner of East Orange Grove Boulevard and Craig Avenue.

RECESS/CLOSED
SESSIONS

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council recessed at 8:15 p.m., to discuss the following closed sessions:

The Mayor was excused at 8:15 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING POTENTIAL LITIGATION - significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b): Two potential cases

Councilmember Madison returned at 8:20 p.m.

One potential case was not discussed; and the second potential case was discussed, with no reportable action at this time.

The Mayor returned at 8:56 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

**Property: 72 East Glenarm Street, Pasadena
Agency Negotiators: Bernard Melekian, Richard Bruckner
Negotiating Party: Art Center College of Design
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms**

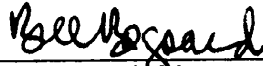
The above closed session item was discussed, with no reportable action at this time.

RECONVENED

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council reconvened at 9:20 p.m. (Absent: Councilmember Tyler, Vice Mayor Haderlein)

ADJOURNMENT

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 9:21 p.m., in memory of Sabra Clark, a local advocate for the arts, education, and progressive thinking.



Bill Bogaard, Mayor
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:



City Clerk