

CITY OF PASADENA  
City Council Minutes  
July 22, 2013 – 5:30 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

**OPENING:**

Mayor Bogaard called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 5:50 p.m., to discuss the following closed session:

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)**

**Case Name: Kingston v. City of Pasadena, et al.**

**Case No.: LASC GC047079**

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)**

**Case Name: In re Pasadena Neighborhood Housing Services, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Central District of California, Los Angeles Division**

**Case No.: 2:11-bk-50790-BR**

The above two closed session items were discussed, with no reportable action at this time.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 6:38 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Kennedy.

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard  
Vice Mayor Jacque Robinson  
Councilmember Victor Gordo  
Councilmember John J. Kennedy  
Councilmember Margaret McAustin (Arrived at 6:43 p.m.)  
Councilmember Steve Madison  
Councilmember Gene Masuda  
Councilmember Terry Tornek

Staff:

City Manager Michael J. Beck  
City Attorney Michele Beal Bagneris  
Senior Assistant City Clerk Silvia Flores

**CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

Councilmember McAustin arrived at 6:10 p.m.

Vice Mayor Robinson, briefly spoke about the newly reconstituted, "Volunteers in Pasadena" or "VIP" program and introduced those volunteers who were present, and thanked everyone who attended and assisted with the event at Brookside Park this past weekend.

Mayor Bogaard recognized Vice Mayor Robinson for her significant contribution in strengthening and re-energizing Pasadena's traditions and fundamental values. Michele Harris, VIP volunteer, also expressed her appreciation to the Vice Mayor for starting the "VIP" program, providing the volunteers with the opportunity to give back to individuals in need and to the community as a whole.

The Senior Assistant City Clerk administered the oath of office to Warren Sata as Accessibility & Disability Commissioner.

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

Genevieve Clavreul, Pasadena resident, expressed disappointment regarding the City's response to her ongoing issue with the overgrown trees near her home at Locust Avenue and Hudson Street. She also asked that the City Council address the issue of frequent cancellations of Senior Commission meetings.

Mustang Sally Ramirez, Los Angeles resident, expressed concerns regarding gang violence in Pasadena and spoke of an incident she had encountered on July 16, 2013 near Lake Avenue and Colorado Boulevard.

Floyd Folven, Pasadena resident, expressed concerns regarding the 2012-2013 Civil Grand Jury Report and it's reporting on Pasadena, and submitted a copy of the report.

Emanuel Najera, Pasadena resident, cited the on-going issues with the City of Detroit, and raised questions regarding how Pasadena will address its future financial plan.

In response to the public speaker comments regarding Pasadena's finances, the Mayor briefly discussed the Finance Committees duties pertaining to the City's five year plan.

The City Manager encouraged Mr. Najera to attend the next Finance Committee meeting and indicated he would provide Mr. Najera with a copy of the City's five year financial report.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**COMMENT TO STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER ON THE NOMINATION OF 1111 AND 1121 NORTH LOS ROBLES AVENUE FOR LISTING IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES**

**Recommendation:** Authorize the transmittal of a letter (Attachment B to the agenda report) from the Mayor to the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) in support of the nomination of 1111 and 1121 North Los Robles Avenue for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

**Recommendation of Historic Preservation Commission:** On Monday, July 1, 2013, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the City Council approve staff's recommendation.

**APPOINTMENT OF DAVID J. JACOBS TO THE SENIOR COMMISSION (District 3 Nomination)**

**APPOINTMENT OF ROB SHEPHERD TO THE RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION (Mayor Nomination)**

CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

Claim No. 11,962	Carlos Cruz	\$274.00
Claim No. 11,963	Gerald W. Himes	\$320.90
Claim No. 11,964	Leslie Livesay	\$100.00
Claim No. 11,965	Rosa Soto	\$10,000.00

No one appeared for public comment.

It was moved by Councilmember Masuda, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

Councilmember Kennedy introduced Commissioner David Jacobs, and briefly highlighted his career and accomplishments.

**INFORMATION ITEM**

**PREDEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW OF PROJECT LOCATED AT 377 - 395 SOUTH MARENGO AVENUE**

**Recommendation:** This report is intended to provide information to the City Council, no action is required.

Vincent Bertoni, Director of Planning, introduced the agenda item and responded to questions.

Leon White, Principal Planner, reviewed the agenda report as part of PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

No one appeared for public comment.

By consensus and on the order of the Mayor, the report was received and filed.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Gordo expressed concerns regarding the discontinued parking passes for frequent visitors in neighborhoods and asked that this issue be addressed through the Economic Development and Technology Committee.

Councilmember Masuda spoke on parking issues around Pasadena City College stating students are parking in the neighborhoods, questioned what the City can do to help resolve this ongoing issue, and urged PCC to implement enforcing the students to park in PCC lots or offer free parking to the students.

Councilmember Madison asked staff to provide an update on the Enterprise Zones program either at a City Council or Legislative Policy Committee meeting.

The City Manager stated information on the Enterprise Zone program will be provided in the City Manager's Newsletter and if more information is needed it will be agendized.

Councilmember Madison discussed briefly his attendance at a press conference Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority this past Saturday regarding the proposed SR710 Tunnel project, and indicated that efforts are underway with staff to determine a date to agendize the issue.

Councilmember Kennedy commended Mercy Santoro, Director of Human Services, Horace Wormely, Neighborhood Service Administrator and City staff for organizing the 4th Annual Robinson Park Summer Festival that took place on Saturday, July 20, 2013.

Councilmember Kennedy asked the City Council to consider agendizing a discussion regarding the plight of African American males in Pasadena, and invite Dr. Ross from the California Endowment to speak on the activities and programs that the Endowment offers throughout Los Angeles County.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Councilmember Gordo was excused at 7:32 p.m.

**ADOPT A REVISED PROGRAM OF ENFORCEMENT AND ASSOCIATED PROCUREMENT PLAN FOR THE PASADENA WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT (PWP) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCES ACT, SENATE BILL X1-2  
Recommendation:**

(1) Find that the adoption of the revised Enforcement Program and the Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) Procurement Plan, pursuant to Section 399.30 of the Public Utilities Code (PUC), is exempt from the California

Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15061(b)(3);  
(2) After a public hearing, adopt the proposed revised Enforcement Program for PWP pursuant to Section 399.30(e) of the PUC; and

(3) Adopt the proposed RPS Procurement Plan for PWP pursuant to Section 399.30(f) of the PUC.

**Recommendation of Municipal Services Committee:** On July 9, 2013, the Municipal Services Committee recommended that the City Council adopt the proposed revised Enforcement Program and Procurement Plan.

**Recommendation of Environmental Advisory Committee:** On June 18, 2013, the Environmental Advisory Committee recommended that the City Council adopt the proposed revised Enforcement Program and Procurement Plan.

The Senior Assistant City Clerk reported the notice of public hearing was published on July 11, 2013 in the Pasadena Journal; and no correspondence was received.

Councilmember McAustin, Chair of Municipal Services Committee, noted the above item had been heard and unanimously approved by the Municipal Services Committee.

Phyllis Currie, General Manager of Water and Power Department, introduced the item, and Gurcharan Bawa, Assistant General Manager, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation.

Floyd Folven, Pasadena resident, expressed concerns regarding related State policies and requirements, and voiced opposition to increasing water and power's rates.

Mustang Sally Ramirez, Los Angeles resident, expressed her concerns regarding undocumented workers, asked that military veterans and pilots be hired for City contracts, and suggested lowering water and power bills for those who have served in the military.

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

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Gordo)

**RECESS/ ADJOURNMENT**

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council recessed at 8:12 p.m., to discuss the closed session items listed below (Councilmember Gordo absent), and thereafter adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION – Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)**

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6**

**Agency Designated Representatives: Kristi Recchia and Michael J. Beck**


**Employee Organizations: Pasadena Police Officers Association (PPOA), Pasadena Police Sergeants Association (PPSA), Pasadena Fire Fighters Association (PFFA), Pasadena Fire Management Association (PFMA), International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), and International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE)**

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Bill Bogaard, Mayor  
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk