

CITY OF PASADENA
City Council Minutes
October 27, 2014 – 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

OPENING:

Mayor Bogaard called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. (Absent: Councilmembers Kennedy, Madison, Vice Mayor Robinson)

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the following closed sessions:

Councilmember Kennedy arrived at 5:43 p.m.

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

Property Location: 64 North Mar Vista Avenue Unit 125, Pasadena, CA

Agency Negotiators: Michael J. Beck and Steve Mermell

Negotiating Party: Oliver Losón

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

Vice Mayor Robinson arrived at 5:53 p.m.

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

Title: City Manager

Councilmember Madison arrived at 6:27 p.m.

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

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

City Representative: Bill Bogaard

Unrepresented Employee: City Manager

The above closed session item was not discussed.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 6:40 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Madison.

ROLL CALL:

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard
Vice Mayor Jacque Robinson
Councilmember Victor Gordo
Councilmember John J. Kennedy
Councilmember Steve Madison

Councilmember Gene Masuda
Councilmember Margaret McAustin
Councilmember Terry Tornek

Staff:

City Manager Michael J. Beck
City Attorney Michele Beal Bagneris
City Clerk Mark Jomsky

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

The City Clerk administered the oath of office to Emina Darakjy as Historic Preservation Commissioner.

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

Hugh Bowles, Altadena resident, commented on the environmental analysis related to the Arroyo Seco Canyon project, expressed concerns regarding the proposed mitigated negative declaration, and submitted written material.

Yuny Parada and Herminia Ortiz, Pasadena residents, reported on the Latino Heritage Parade and its success, thanked the City for their support, and all of the individuals that participated in the event for their time and effort.

Members of the City Council commended the City staff and all of the volunteers for their work and participation in the Latino Heritage Parade.

Nina Chomsky, Friends of Hahamongna, expressed concerns regarding the Devil's Gate Dam Sediment Removal project's Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), noting several significant impacts to the Hahamongna and surrounding neighborhoods, and urged the City to develop a political/legal strategy in response to the FEIR and to take action to prevent the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors from moving forward with the plan as it currently exists.

Elizabeth Bour, Friends of Hahamongna, expressed concerns regarding the Devil's Gate Dam Sediment Removal project FEIR and its apparent lateness in availability to the public for review at the local public libraries, which she noted to be after the certification of the FEIR. She also commented on the comparison matrix, stating that is an inaccurate statement of facts, and submitted written material.

Councilmember Tornek, citing the recommended alternative that the Los Angeles County is pursuing, urged an additional City Council discussion on the matter to determine whether the City will respond on a technical, political, or legal level. In response, the City Manager indicated that this issue will be presented to the City Council at an upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Gordo suggested that the issue be referred immediately to an appropriate City Council Committee for review, or consider possibly forming an Ad Hoc Committee to work with staff and some members of the working group, in order to address the concerns and technical issues surrounding this matter.

In response to Councilmember McAustin's concerns regarding the certification of the FEIR prior to its availability for public review at libraries, the City Manager indicated that it is a legal matter that will be reviewed by staff and handled appropriately.

CONSENT CALENDAR

ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENT NO. 096-N TO ADMINISTERING AGENCY – STATE AGREEMENT NO. 07-5064R, FOR NORTH FAIR OAKS AVENUE PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO. RPSTPLE 5064(080)

Recommendation:

- (1) Find the project proposed in the agenda report to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines in accordance with Title 14, Chapter 3, Class 1, Section 15301, minor alterations of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing at the time of the lead agency's determination;
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Program Supplement Agreement for the North Fair Oaks Avenue Pedestrian Improvement Project in the City of Pasadena; and
- (3) Adopt a resolution approving a Program Supplement Agreement to Administering Agency-State Agreement No. 07-5064R between the City of Pasadena and the State of California, for state reimbursement of costs for the North Fair Oaks Avenue Pedestrian Improvements, Federal-Aid Project No. RPSTPLE-5064(080), Program Supplement Agreement No. 096-N. (Resolution No. 9384; Contract No. 21,120-1)

CONTRACT AWARD TO MONET CONSTRUCTION, INC., FOR RESTROOM REPLACEMENT AT GRANT PARK FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$526,000

Recommendation:

(1) Acknowledge the project to be categorically exempt under Section 21084 of the Public Resources Code in accordance with Article 19, Section 15302 (Class 2), subsection (b) (replacement of a commercial structure with a new structure of substantially the same size, purpose, and capacity) pursuant to the findings of the Secretary of the Resources Agency; and

(2) Accept the bid dated October 1, 2014, submitted by Monet Construction, Inc., in response to the Specifications for Restroom Replacement at Grant Park, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required for an amount not to exceed \$526,000. (Contract No. 22,036)

FINANCE COMMITTEE: RECOGNIZE AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000 TO THE HUMAN SERVICES AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT'S FISCAL YEAR 2015 OPERATING BUDGET TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AFTERSCHOOL AND SUMMER MEAL PROGRAMS

Recommendation:

(1) Find that the recommended action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA guidelines per Section 15061(b)(3);

(2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a 15 month grant agreement with the National League of Cities in support of CHAMPS (Cities Combating Hunger through Afterschool and Summer Meal Programs), an initiative to promote the development and implementation of afterschool and summer meal programs; and

(3) Recognize revenue and appropriate grant funds to the General Fund (101) in the Human Services and Recreation Department's Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 Operating Budget (revenue account 7029-101-91511). (Contract No. 22,037; Journal Voucher No. 2015-09)

Item discussed separately

FINANCE COMMITTEE: CONTRIBUTION OF \$300,000 TO THE CITY OF PASADENA FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET – APPROPRIATION TO CENTRAL ARROYO SECO PROJECTS

APPOINTMENT OF LORENA YEPEZ HERNANDEZ TO THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (District 7 Nomination)

MINUTES APPROVED

SEPTEMBER 29, 2014

CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

Claim No. 12,270	Mitchel Moody	\$1,192.81
Claim No. 12,271	Mercury Insurance Attn: Cindy Ramirez	4,589.42
Claim No. 12,272	Xu Yang	25,000.00+
Claim No. 12,273	Kenneth Thai	25,000.00+
Claim No. 12,274	Yung-Chun Lin	3,735.00
Claim No. 12,275	Lenore Lee	25,000.00+
Claim No. 12,276	HOA – 900 South Orange Grove Blvd.	Not Stated

PUBLIC HEARING SET

November 17, 2014, 7:00 p.m. – Appeal of the Planning Commission’s Decision Regarding Conditional Use Permit No. 6072 for 260-400 East Colorado Boulevard

It was moved by Councilmember Masuda, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item 4 (Contribution of \$300,000 to the City of Pasadena for Amendments to the Fiscal Year 2015 Capital Improvement Program Budget – Appropriation to Central Arroyo Seco Projects), which was discussed separately. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

CONSENT ITEM DISCUSSED SEPARATELY

FINANCE COMMITTEE: CONTRIBUTION OF \$300,000 TO THE CITY OF PASADENA FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET – APPROPRIATION TO CENTRAL ARROYO SECO PROJECTS

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council approve a journal voucher amending the following three projects in the Fiscal Year 2015 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget:

- (1) Increase appropriations to the East Arroyo Neighborhood Connector Trail Improvements Project (77377) by \$130,000;
- (2) Increase appropriations to the School Park Site Improvements (Linda Vista School Park play equipment) Project (78801) by \$25,000; and
- (3) Increase appropriations to the Trail and Rubble Wall Restoration – Central Arroyo Project (77371) by \$145,000.
- (4) It is further recommended that, should the City be successful in obtaining a \$300,000 grant from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District for

the Rose Bowl Pedestrian Loop Improvements Project, that the City Council identifies the required matching funds to complete the project. (Journal Voucher No. 2015-10)

Darryl Dunn, Rose Bowl General Manager, reviewed the agenda item, and responded to questions.

In response to Councilmember Kennedy's question regarding the timeline associated with the repair of the rock walls located at the southern end of Brookside Park, the City Manager that information regarding the schedule for completion of the project will be included in the City Manager's newsletter.

Councilmember Madison stated his support for the staff recommendation, and highlighted the following three criteria used in determining the use of the \$300,000 to fund Central Arroyo projects:

- Eligible projects shall be drawn from the existing list of Central Arroyo projects contained in the adopted Capital Improvement Budget (CIP);
- The project should be located within the Central Arroyo or within the neighborhoods most affected by Rose Bowl events; and
- The funds provided should be sufficient to complete the project

Nina Chomsky, Linda Vista Annandale Association, spoke in support of the staff recommendation.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Kennedy, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

**REPORTS AND
COMMENTS FROM
COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE**

**NEW TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE MEASURES
TO BE USED FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPACT
ANALYSIS AND THRESHOLDS OF SIGNIFICANCE
UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
ACT (CEQA)**

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council continue this item to November 3, 2014.

By consensus, and on order of the Mayor, the above item was continued to November 3, 2014.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

**PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF 1350 LINDA
RIDGE ROAD AS A LANDMARK**

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the designation of a historic resource is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA Guidelines Section 15308: Class 8 – Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment);
- (2) Find that the property at 1350 Linda Ridge Road meets Criterion “C” for designation as a landmark (Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040) because it is a locally significant example of a Mid-Century Modern style house designed by architect Gregory Ain, and a locally significant example of a California Modern residential garden designed by landscape architect Garrett Eckbo, and retains a high level of integrity;
- (3) Approve the designation of the property at 1350 Linda Ridge Road as a landmark;
- (4) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 1350 Linda Ridge Road, Pasadena, California;
- (5) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Declaration of Landmark Designation for 1350 Linda Ridge Road, Pasadena, California; and
- (6) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder.

Historic Preservation Commission Recommendation:

At its regular meeting of August 19, 2014, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the City Council approve the designation of 1350 Linda Ridge Road as a landmark under Criteria “C” of Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040. (Resolution No. 9385)

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 9 copies of the notice were posted on October 9, 2014; 61 copies of the notice were mailed on October 9, 2014; and no correspondence was received.

The following persons spoke in support of the staff recommendation:

Andrew Oliver, Pasadena resident
Jesse Lattig, Pasadena Heritage
Jeff Palmer, Pasadena resident

It was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF THE HOUSE AT 2350 EAST ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD AS A LANDMARK

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the designation of a historic resource is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA Guidelines Section 15308: Class 8 – Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment);
- (2) Find that the house at 2350 East Orange Grove Boulevard is significant under Criterion “C” for designation as a landmark (Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040) because it is an intact and highly artistic example of a Tudor Revival house;
- (3) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 2350 East Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena, California;
- (4) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Declaration of Landmark Designation for 2350 East Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena, California; and
- (5) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder.

Historic Preservation Commission Recommendation:

At its regular meeting of September 16, 2014, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the City Council approve the designation of the house at 2350 East Orange Grove Boulevard, including broken stone driveways and pathways and a perimeter site wall, as a landmark under Criterion “C” of Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040. (Resolution No. 9386)

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 48 copies of the notice were posted on October 9, 2014; 128 copies of the notice were mailed on October 9, 2014; and no correspondence was received.

Jesse Lattig, Pasadena Heritage, spoke in support of the staff recommendation.

It was moved by Councilmember Masuda, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Masuda, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF THE MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AT 833-861 SOUTH ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD AS A LANDMARK

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the designation of a historic resource is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA Guidelines Section 15308: Class 8 – Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment);
- (2) Find that the multi-family residential property at 833-861 South Orange Grove Boulevard is significant under Criterion “C” for designation as a landmark (Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040) because it is an intact example of a mid-twentieth-century garden apartment complex;
- (3) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 833-861 South Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena, California;
- (4) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Declaration of Landmark Designation for 833-861 South Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena, California; and
- (5) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder.

Historic Preservation Commission Recommendation:

At its regular meeting of August 5, 2014, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the City Council approve the designation of the multi-family residential property at 833-861 South Orange Grove Boulevard as a landmark under Criterion “C” of Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040. (Resolution No. 9387)

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 34 copies of the notice were posted on October 9, 2014; 254 copies of the notice were mailed on October 9, 2014; and no correspondence was received.

The following persons spoke in support of the staff recommendation:

Daniel Paul, ICF International
Jesse Lattig, Pasadena Heritage

It was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF 377 ARROYO TERRACE AS A LANDMARK

Recommendation:

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

(2) Find that the property at 377 Arroyo Terrace (Kenneth Newell Avery Studio) meets Criteria “A” and “C” for designation as a landmark (Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040) because the building has a significant association with the context of the Arroyo Culture and is a locally significant example of a structure from the Arts and Crafts period built specifically for use as an art studio that retains its integrity;

(3) Approve the designation of the property at 377 Arroyo Terrace as a landmark;

(4) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 377 Arroyo Terrace, Pasadena, California;

(5) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Declaration of Landmark Designation for 377 Arroyo Terrace, Pasadena, California; and

(6) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder.

Historic Preservation Commission Recommendation:

At its regular meeting of August 5, 2014, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the City Council approve the designation of 377 Arroyo Terrace as a landmark under Criteria “A” and “C” of Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040. (Resolution No. 9388)

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 26 copies of the notice were posted on October 9, 2014; 187 copies of the notice were mailed on October 9, 2014; and no correspondence was received.

The following persons spoke in support of the staff recommendation:

Jesse Lattig, Pasadena Heritage
Virginia Tanzmann, Pasadena resident

It was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Mayor Robinson, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

**REPORTS AND
COMMENTS FROM
COUNCIL COMMITTEES
(CONTINUED)**

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilmember McAustin recused herself at 7:48 p.m., and left the dais.

APPROPRIATION OF \$1,100,000 IN FEDERAL HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP ACT FUNDS IN FY 2015 OPERATING BUDGET OF HOUSING AND CAREER SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AN AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP PROJECT AT 1661 NORTH FAIR OAKS AVENUE

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council appropriate \$1,100,000 in Federal Home Investment Partnership Act funds to Account No. 8167-221-684111-66-52060 for the 1661 North Fair Oaks Project and authorize staff to make the necessary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2015 operating budget of the Housing and Career Services Department. (Journal Voucher No. 2015-11)

William Huang, Director of Housing and Career Services, introduced the agenda item, and Jim Wong, Senior Project Manager, provided an overview of the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

Councilmember Tornek, Chair of the Finance Committee, briefly highlighted the discussion held at the Committee level.

Councilmember Kennedy inquired about the process for determining which projects are selected by staff to recommend for funding, and reiterated his request to have guidelines on accessing the City's HOME funds published on the City's website to provide the same information and opportunity to anyone interested in participating in this type of project. In response to Councilmember Kennedy's request, William Huang noted that such guidelines will be posted on the City's website within the next 30 days.

Timothy Sales, Heritage Housing Partners, expressed gratitude to the City staff for their work on this matter, and stated his support for staff's recommendation.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Tornek, seconded by Councilmember Kennedy, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember McAustin)

Councilmember McAustin returned at 7:57 p.m.

CHANGE OF METER RATE AND HOURS IN THE OLD PASADENA PARKING METER ZONE

Recommendation:

(1) Find that the increased meter rate is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3); and

(2) Direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance within 60 days amending Section 10.45.100 (Old Pasadena Parking Meter Zone District) of the Pasadena Municipal Code to reflect the new parking rates and hours of operation for the Old Pasadena Parking Meter Zone effective upon adoption.

Old Pasadena Meter Zone Advisory Commission

Recommendation: On February 6, 2014, the Old Pasadena Parking Meter Zone Advisory Commission recommended that the City Council adopt the recommended rate change of \$1.25 per hour on selected meters and extend meter hours to 2:00 A.M. on weekends (hours would extend from midnight on Friday to 2:00 A.M. on Saturday and from midnight on Saturday to 2:00 A.M. on Sunday).

Councilmember Tornek, Chair of the Finance Committee, introduced the agenda item.

Fred Dock, Director of Transportation, and Gloria Flores, Management Analyst, summarized the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Councilmember Tornek, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember None)

PUBLIC HEARINGS
(CONTINUED)

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: PLANNED DEVELOPMENT ZONE CHANGE FOR THE REUSE OF THE DESIDERIO ARMY RESERVE CENTER

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

- (1) Adopt a resolution certifying the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Reuse of the Desiderio Army Reserve Center (SCH No. 2013091086) (Attachment A of the agenda report) and adopt California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations;
- (2) Adopt the Land Use Findings for a Zoning Map Amendment to change the zoning of the site from West Gateway Specific Plan (WGSP-2) to Planned Development (PD) (Attachment B of the agenda report);
- (3) Adopt the Conditions of Approval for the Desiderio Planned Development (Attachment C of the agenda report);
- (4) Direct the City Attorney to draft an ordinance within 60 days consistent with the provisions set forth in the agenda report, amending the zoning from West Gateway Specific Plan (WGSP-2) to Planned Development (PD) and adding the Desiderio Planned Development to the Zoning Code; and
- (5) Direct the City Clerk to file a Notice of Determination before Friday, October 31, 2014.

Planning Commission Recommendation: On September 10, 2014, the Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended to certify the Final Environmental Impact Report (5-2 vote), adopt the Findings for the Zoning Map Amendment (7-0 vote), and adopt the Conditions of Approval for the Planned Development with the addition of restrooms to the park (4-3 vote).

Historic Preservation Commission Recommendation: On May 20, 2014, the Historic Preservation Commission reviewed the Draft EIR for the Reuse of the Desiderio Army Reserve Center. The Commission supported the project and supported the adoption of a Statement of Overriding Considerations for the demolition of Desiderio Hall.

Recreation & Parks Commission Recommendation: On July 8, 2014, the Recreation and Parks Commission voted unanimously to support the design concept for Desiderio Neighborhood Park (Attachment D of the agenda report) with the request that a restroom be included in the final design plan. (Resolution No. 9389)

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 29 copies of the notice were posted on October 2, 2014; 141 copies of the notice were mailed on October 2, 2014; and 6 letters of correspondence (1 letter of support, 3 letters in support but expressing concerns, and 2 letters expressing concerns) were received by the City Clerk's Office regarding the recommended action.

Vince Bertoni, Director of Planning and Community Development, introduced the agenda item, Laura Dahl, Senior Planner, and Loren Pluth, Project Manager, summarized the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

The following persons spoke in support of the staff recommendation:

Robert Holmes, Pasadena resident
Thomas Seifert, Pasadena resident
Lewis Hashimoto, Pasadena resident
Carolyn Kunin, Pasadena resident
Joan Hearst, West Pasadena Residents' Association
(WPRA)
Ann Scheid, Pasadena resident
Mic Hansen, Pasadena resident
Richard A. McDonald, Esq., Pasadena resident,
submitted material
Ann Dougherty, San Gabriel Valley Habitat for
Humanity
Emily Stork, La Canada resident

The following persons spoke in support of the staff recommendation, but also advocated for the inclusion of restroom facilities as part of the project:

Arnold Siegel, Pasadena resident

Councilmember Kennedy inquired about the differences between a "passive" versus "active" park, expressed his support for the staff recommendation with the inclusion of adding restroom facilities as part of the project, with staff to provide a regular cleaning schedule and limit the hours of operation to address some of the stated concerns by residents.

Councilmember Madison stated his opposition to the construction of a public restroom at Desiderio Park, citing the strong potential for problems/issues, and noted that the original plan calls for "passive" recreational use.

Councilmember Tornek highlighted the City's level of investment in the project and the need for such an important public facility to be included in the project, and stated his support for the staff recommendation, with the modification that the conditions of approval and project plans be amended to include a public restroom facility.

Councilmember Gordo stated that he supports the proposed project with the inclusion of a restroom, but emphasized the need for the City to be responsive to some of the issues raised by residents, specifically as it relates to safety and cleanliness of park restroom facilities, and suggested that the issue of appropriate hours of restroom operation and cleanliness/safety guidelines be referred to the Public Safety Committee for review and recommendation to the City Council.

Councilmember Madison emphasized the need for a greater level of community outreach to notify residents that may be unaware of the proposed plan to add a public restroom facility to the project, and recommended that the City Council move forward with the project, and to consider the proposed action to include public restrooms as a separate matter.

Councilmember Tornek pointed out that both the Planning Commission and the Recreation and Parks Commission supported the inclusion of a public restroom facility, which included public participation, and urged the City Council to move forward with the project as proposed, including the addition of a public restroom.

Councilmember Gordo expressed concerns relating to the proposed restroom's hours of operation and its close proximity to homes, and asked that a condition of approval be added to limit the hours of operation from morning to dusk as part of the motion.

The City Manager responded to questions related to the process going forward if the proposed project is approved, current funding for the project, availability of residential impact fees, and noted that at this time, the only funded portion of the project is the demolition.

Councilmember Gordo clarified his request to staff, which is to review the broader general guidelines/standards with regard to citywide parks, including neighborhood parks, to determine appropriate hours of operation and cleanliness/safety standards for restroom facilities. He also noted that the hours of operation will vary due to the level of activity at each park, and suggested that staff be flexible to allow for such activity. However, as it relates specifically to Desiderio Park and its uniqueness, he strongly recommended that the hours of operation be limited to a reasonable hour in the morning and not beyond dusk.

It was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Masuda, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Tornek, seconded by Councilmember Kennedy, to approve the staff recommendation, with the modification that the conditions of approval and the project plans include restroom facilities, with staff to determine the hours of operation of the restroom facilities (limited to a reasonable hour in the morning and not beyond dusk) and refer the broader question regarding the appropriate hours for restroom operation and cleanliness/safety guidelines for citywide/neighborhood parks to the Public Safety Committee for review and recommendation to the City Council.

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Madison, Masuda, McAustin, Tornek, Vice Mayor Robinson, Mayor Bogaard

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

MODIFICATION OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING ORDINANCE

Recommendation:

- (1) Acknowledge that the proposed revisions to the Preferential Permit Parking Program are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Section 15301, Existing Facilities, of the CEQA guidelines, and authorize the City Manager to execute and the City Clerk to file a Notice of Exemption therefore with the Los Angeles County Clerk;
- (2) Direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending Section 10.41 of the Pasadena Municipal Code to expand the application of the Preferential Permit Parking Program to residential streets with time limited parking restrictions, effective July 1, 2015;

- (3) Designate residential streets with time limited parking as preferential parking areas, effective July 1, 2015; and
- (4) Direct the Department of Transportation to revise the Procedures for Establishing Preferential Permit Parking to reflect the inclusion of preferential parking within the time limited parking in residential streets, effective July 1, 2015.

Fred Dock, Director of Transportation, introduced the agenda item, and Norman Baculinao, Principal Engineer, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

Councilmember McAustin stated her support for the proposed ordinance, and thanked the staff for their hard work on the matter.

The following persons spoke in support of the proposed action:

Robert Farley, Pasadena resident
John Byram, Pasadena resident
Sung An Chen, Pasadena resident
Christine Reiter, Oakland Townhome Homeowners
Association/Oakland Hudson Neighborhood
Organization
Bob Reiter, Pasadena resident

The following persons spoke in opposition to, and/or, expressed concerns regarding the proposed action:

Qrys Cunningham, Pasadena resident
Simon Dang, Pasadena resident

The Mayor noted that 48 letters in support, and 3 letters in opposition, were received by the City Clerk regarding the proposed action.

Councilmember Kennedy commended the staff for their work on this matter, requested that staff continue to monitor and maintain due diligence regarding parking issues in the Lincoln triangle, and stated his support for the staff recommendation.

Vice Mayor Robinson requested that staff return to the City Council and report back on any issues following a year of implementation, to allow for a review of the policy and any necessary adjustments.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Councilmember Tornek, to approve the staff recommendation, amended to include direction to staff to report back to the City Council within 12-18 months for a review of the policy. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING

McAustin was excused at 10:28 p.m., and left the dais.

Conduct first reading of “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA ADDING CHAPTER 9.89 (ELECTRONIC FILING OF CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE INFORMATION) TO THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE, REGARDING ELECTRONIC AND PAPER METHODS OF FILING CAMPAIGN FINANCE DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS”

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

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Madison, Masuda, Tornek, Vice Mayor Robinson, Mayor Bogaard

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember McAustin

ORDINANCE – ADOPTED

Councilmember Kennedy was excused at 10:29 p.m., and left the meeting.

Councilmember McAustin returned at 10:33 p.m.

Adopt “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA ADDING CHAPTER 6.09 TO TITLE 6 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE REQUIRING ALL DOGS AND CATS WITHIN THE CITY TO BE SPAYED OR NEUTERED” (Introduced by Councilmember Madison) (Ordinance No. 7248)

The following persons spoke in opposition to a mandatory spay/neuter ordinance:

Marla Tauscher, Pasadena resident

Florence Bleicher, California Responsible Pet Owners' Coalition

Diane Amendola, California Federation of Dog Clubs

Bonnie Behrmann, Silky Terrier Club of America, Inc.

Carol Hamilton, Los Angeles County

Linda Sneed, Pasadena resident

Carole Raschella, California Federation of Dog Clubs

Josh Liddy, Pasadena resident

Salli Burch, English Cocker Spaniel Club of Southern California

Joan Hearst, Pasadena resident

Anne Dove, Pasadena resident

Elaine Mason, Pasadena resident, submitted material

Councilmember Gordo requested that staff work with the Pasadena Humane Society (PHS) and bring forward a report following a year of implementation regarding information on the resources that PHS has dedicated to low cost spay/neuter services, including statistics on the number of dogs/cats that have been spayed or neutered, and what percentage of that number was completed through a low cost service program, noting that such information will assist in measuring the effectiveness of the ordinance.

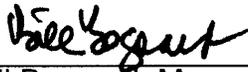
The above ordinance was adopted by the following vote:
AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Madison, Masuda, McAustin, Mayor Bogaard
NOES: Councilmembers Tornek and Vice Mayor Robinson
ABSENT: Councilmember Kennedy

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Gordo commented on the recent reports related to the various communicable diseases affecting the country, and requested that Public Health Department provide an informational update to the City Council within the next few weeks regarding the potential impacts to the Pasadena community.

ADJOURNMENT

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 11:02 p.m.



Bill Bogaard, Mayor
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:



City Clerk