

CITY OF PASADENA
City Council Minutes
November 3, 2014 – 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

OPENING:

Mayor Bogaard called the regular meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.
(Absent: Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmember Kennedy)

On the order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 5:32 p.m., to discuss the following closed sessions:

Vice Mayor Robinson arrived
at 5:42 p.m.

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL –
ANTICIPATED LITIGATION pursuant to Government Code
Section 54956.9(d)(4) Consideration of initiation of litigation
(two potential cases)**

Case 1: Direction given to initiate an action, and when and if
action formally commenced, the particulars will be discussed
upon request.

Case 2: Discussed; no reportable action at this time.

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

**Property Location: 39 South El Molino Avenue, Pasadena,
CA**

**Agency Negotiators: Michael J. Beck and Steve Mermell
Negotiating Party: Pasadena Playhouse State Theater of
California, Inc.**

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

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

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

Title: City Manager

The above closed session item was not discussed.

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

City Representative: Bill Bogaard

Unrepresented Employee: City Manager

Discussed; instructions provided to City representative.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 6:55 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 (Absent)
Councilmember Margaret McAustin
Councilmember Steve Madison
Councilmember Gene Masuda
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 Lorena Yopez Hernandez as Commissioner on the Status of Women.

The Mayor reported that a commendation was received by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in honor of the 25th Anniversary of the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) recognizing the City and the Accessibility and Disability Commission for leadership, commitment, and outstanding contributions to the advancement and promotion of equality for persons with disabilities.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Genevieve Clavreul, Pasadena resident, expressed her disappointment with the California Nurses Association, specifically as it relates to alleged claims that Huntington Memorial Hospital is unprepared for Ebola, and submitted written material.

Jimmy Taggart, Pasadena resident, expressed concerns regarding development in the City, noting an increase in upscale local businesses, which he believes is a disadvantage to the "middle-class" in Pasadena.

Geoffrey Baum, West Pasadena Residents' Association (WPRA), expressed concern and disappointment in the recent approval of the Desiderio Park project, specifically relating to the inclusion of a public restroom facility, stating the City's decision lacked public input related to the addition of the restroom.

Councilmember Gordo noted that staff is reviewing the guidelines/standards for citywide and neighborhood parks as it relates to appropriate hours for restroom operation and cleanliness/safety standards, and asked that the City Manager include the WPRA in the discussion and development of these standards prior to review and consideration by the full City Council.

CONSENT CALENDAR

CONTRACT AWARD TO INTERIOR DEMOLITION, INC. FOR BUILDING AND SITE DEMOLITION OF FORMER DESIDERIO ARMY RESERVE CENTER FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$502,000

Recommendation:

(1) Acknowledge that on October 27, 2014, City Council adopted a resolution to certify the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Reuse of the Desiderio Army Reserve Center, Environmental Findings, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and find that there are no changes to the project, changed circumstances or new information that would warrant further environmental review; and

(2) Accept the bid dated August 20, 2014, submitted by Interior Demolition, Inc. in response to the Specifications for Building and Site Demolition of Former Desiderio Army Reserve Center, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract for an amount not to exceed \$502,000. (Contract No. 22,046)

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH VCI CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$573,731 TO PROVIDE LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL CONDUIT SYSTEM IN ALEGRIA STREET FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT

Recommendation:

(1) Find that the project is exempt from environmental review pursuant to the guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(9); Administrative Code, Title 14, Chapter 3, Class 2 Section 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction); and

(2) Accept the bid dated August 29, 2014, from VCI Construction, Inc. in response to Specifications LD-14-6 for construction of an underground conduit system in Alegria Street; and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with VCI Construction, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$573,731. (Contract No. 22,047)

APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$90,059 BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA, ACTING AS AGENT FOR THE FOOTHILL EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING CONSORTIUM, AND PASADENA CITY COLLEGE FOR WORKFORCE TRAINING RELATED SERVICES UNDER THE VETS-TO-NURSES PROGRAM

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) Approve a contract between the City of Pasadena (acting as an agent for the Foothill Employment and Training Consortium) and Pasadena City College, in an amount not to exceed \$90,059 for the 2014-2015 program year for the provision of workforce training related services. Competitive bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H) ("contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors"); and
- (3) Grant the proposed contract 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 No. 22,048)

ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING A FIVE YEAR RUBBERIZED PAVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES RECYCLING AND RECOVERY

Recommendation:

- (1) Adopt a resolution approving a Rubberized Pavement Grant Program between the City of Pasadena and the State of California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery; and
- (2) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all necessary applications, contracts, agreements, amendments, and payment requests hereto for the purposes of securing grant funds and to implement and carry out the purposes specified in the grant application, on behalf of the City of Pasadena. (Resolution No. 9390)

Item discussed separately

ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR THE SUMMARY VACATION OF A TRIANGULAR PIECE OF LAND ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF MAR VISTA AVENUE SOUTH OF CORSON STREET

APPROVAL OF NON-REPRESENTED EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT, MANAGEMENT, AND NON-MANAGEMENT SALARY RESOLUTIONS

Recommendation:

- (1) Approve the Non-Represented Executive Management salary resolution;
- (2) Approve the Non-Represented Management salary resolution;
- (3) Approve the Non-Represented Non-Management salary resolution;
- (4) Approve a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Pasadena to report the value of employer paid member contributions (EPMC) for the safety employees in the non-represented management group and supersedes Resolution No. 8021 insofar as it applies to the safety employees that are non-represented management;
- (5) Approve a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Pasadena to authorize tax deferral of member paid contributions to the California Public Employees' Retirement System for all safety employees in the non-represented executive management and non-represented management groups; and
- (6) Authorize the City Manager to amend employment contracts with Assistant City Managers, Department Directors, and Deputy Department Directors as needed to reflect City Council approved changes. (Resolution Nos. 9391, 9392, 9393, 9394, and 9395)

ESTABLISH NEW CLASSIFICATIONS AND SALARY CONTROL RATES

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council establish new classifications and related salaries.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A MASTER INTER-UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3), the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential to cause a significant effect on the environment;
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Master Inter-Utility Agreement ("Agreement") between the City of Pasadena and the Southern California Gas Company ("So Cal Gas") for the joint coordination and implementation of electric, natural gas, and water efficiency programs in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 per year for up to five years. The proposed Agreement is exempt from competitive bidding and selection requirements pursuant to City Charter Section 1002 (C), Contracts for labor, material, supplies, or services available

from only one vendor; Southern California Gas Company is the sole natural gas provider in Pasadena; and

(3) Grant the proposed contract 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 best interests of the City are served. (Contract No. 22,049)

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,417,400 FOR THE NATURAL GAS PIPELINE/METER UPGRADE FOR THE GLENARM REPOWERING PROJECT

Recommendation:

(1) Find that the Glenarm Repowering Project was subject to adequate environmental review as part of the Glenarm Repowering Project Final Environmental Impact Report Findings adopted by City Council on April 8, 2003; and

(2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with the Southern California Gas Company ("Gas Company") to upgrade the natural gas supply piping/meter at Pasadena's electric generating power plant ("Plant"), in an amount not to exceed \$1,417,400. The proposed contract is exempt from Competitive Bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002C, contracts for labor, materials, services or supplies available only from one vendor. (Contract No. 22,050)

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING A VOLUNTARY FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 9.88.050 TO BE DISTRIBUTED BY THE CITY CLERK TO ALL CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE IN PASADENA

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution approving a voluntary fair campaign practices agreement pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 9.88.050 to be distributed by the City Clerk to all candidates for public office in Pasadena. (Resolution No. 9396)

REAPPOINTMENT OF DOUGLAS F. TESSITOR, CITY OF GLENDORA, AS CITY OF PASADENA REPRESENTATIVE TO THE METRO GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY SERVICE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE COUNCIL FOR A TERM OF 4 YEARS, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2015 (Mayor Bogaard)

MINUTES APPROVED

October 6, 2014
October 13, 2014

CLAIMS FILED	RECEIVED	AND	Claim No. 12,277 Pascual Vasquez	\$ 814.51	
			Claim No. 12,278 Wilber & Assoc for USAA	6,114.93	
				A/S/O Christopher Brunner	
			Claim No. 12,279 AFNI Subrogation Dept. for	3,548.97	
				Jose Cervera	
			Claim No. 12,280 Robert Leagons	Not Stated	
			Claim No. 12,281 Dean Pearson	Not Stated	
Claim No. 12,282 Jurate Slattery	3,174.63				
Claim No. 12,283 James P. Segall-Guiterrez	100,000.00				
	for Mrs. Lisa Marie Tucker				

PUBLIC HEARING SET

December 15, 2014, 7:00 p.m. – Maranatha High School Master Plan

It was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Councilmember Madison, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item 5 (Adopt a Resolution for the Summary Vacation of a Triangular Piece of Land Along the West Side of Mar Vista Avenue South of Corson Street) (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Kennedy)

**CONSENT ITEMS
DISCUSSED SEPARATELY**

ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR THE SUMMARY VACATION OF A TRIANGULAR PIECE OF LAND ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF MAR VISTA AVENUE SOUTH OF CORSON STREET

Recommendation:

- (1) Adopt a resolution summarily vacating a triangular piece of land along the west side of Mar Vista Avenue south of Corson Street pursuant to Sections 8331, 8333, and 8334 of the California Streets and Highways Code; and
- (2) Certify the summary vacation to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Article 19, Section 15301 Existing Facilities, and authorize the City Manager to execute and the City Clerk to file a Notice of Exemption for the summary vacation with the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office. (Resolution No. 9397)

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

PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING: MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS: ADOPTION/CERTIFICATION AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT REVIEWS AND PROCESS ON APPEALS

Recommendation:

- (1) Adopt a determination that the proposed Pasadena Municipal Code Amendments are exempt from environmental review under Section 15061(b)(3) (general rule) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA);
- (2) Approve a finding of consistency with the General Plan as contained in the agenda report;
- (3) Approve the proposed Municipal Code Amendments relating to the adoption/certification authority of California Environmental Quality Act reviews and process on appeals as contained in the agenda report; and
- (4) Conduct the first reading of an ordinance codifying these amendments.

Planning Commission Recommendation: The Planning Commission held a public hearing on October 8, 2014 to consider the proposed Municipal Code Amendments. The Commission voted to recommend the City Council approve the proposed Municipal Code Amendments.

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported the notice of public hearing was published on October 16, 23, and 30, 2014 in the Pasadena Journal; and no correspondence was received.

Vince Bertoni, Director of Planning and Community Development, introduced the agenda item, and David Sinclair, Planner, summarized the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

No one appeared for public comment.

It was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Councilmember Tornek, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Kennedy)

It was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Councilmember Madison, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Kennedy)

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING

Conduct first reading of: “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF TITLE 2 (ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION) AND TITLE 17 (ZONING CODE) OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO AUTHORIZE THE ADOPTION/CERTIFICATION OF CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT REVIEWS BY NON-ELECTED DECISION MAKERS AND TO REQUIRE AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE ON CALIFORNIA

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT REVIEWS UNDER APPEAL OR CALL FOR REVIEW”

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

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Kennedy

ORDINANCE - ADOPTED

Adopt “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” (Introduced by Councilmember Madison) (Ordinance No. 7249)

The above ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Kennedy

INFORMATION ITEM

LOS ANGELES COUNTY PRESENTATION ON DEVIL’S GATE DAM SEDIMENT REMOVAL PROJECT IN HAHAMONGNA WATERSHED

Chris Stone, Assistant Deputy Director for the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, and Keith Lilley, Principal Engineer with Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, provided a detailed overview of the Devil’s Gate Dam Sediment Removal Project and the Project’s Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

The following persons spoke in opposition to, and/or, expressed concerns regarding the Devil’s Gate Dam Sediment Removal project FEIR:

- Dr. Seema Shah-Fairbank, Devil’s Gate Reservoir Sediment Removal and Management Project Working Group
- Tim Brick, Devil’s Gate Reservoir Sediment Removal and Management Project Working Group
- Patricia O’Sullivan, Pasadena Resident

Nina Chomsky, Friends of Hahamongna, Linda Vista
Annandale Association, and Devil's Gate Reservoir
Sediment Removal and Management Project Working
Group
Henreen Nunley, Devil's Gate Reservoir Sediment Removal
and Management Project Working Group
Don Bremner, Devil's Gate Reservoir Sediment Removal and
Management Project Working Group
Tim Martinez, Pasadena resident

Councilmember Tornek questioned the Los Angeles County Flood Control District's position in adopting a standard capacity level of two Design Debris Events (DDE) of sediment accumulation behind Devil's Gate Dam, noting that such a standard/policy has not been adhered to for decades. He also expressed concerns with the Final Environment Impact Report's (FEIR) proposed level of sediment removal, stating that the proposed level is not reflective of past practices as it relates to the Devil's Gate Dam.

Councilmember Madison inquired about the types of permits that must be issued by the City before any project can move forward, expressed serious concerns with the timeframe associated with the project, noting the intensity of work required in order to complete the project within the intended timeframe.

Chris Stone, Assistant Deputy Director for the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, briefly addressed the urgency surrounding the certification of the proposed project's FEIR and moving forward with the project, which he stated was to manage risks and protect the lives and property of residents downstream from the dam.

Councilmember Gordo stressed the need for the County to reasonably and properly maintain sediment accumulation in the future. He also stated that due to a lack of sufficient information, he could not support the proposed project moving forward, noting a lack of clarity regarding the County's calculations as to what is considered safe capacity for future sediment accumulation, whether or not the proposed project plans will have a significant negative impact to the environment and residents, and suggested that the appropriate City staff communicate directly with the County to address these issues prior to the County's action to certify the FEIR.

Vice Mayor Robinson inquired about the proposed plan to permanently close the access road at the La Canada Verdugo Road cul-de-sac, and suggested that permanent sound walls be considered to reduce impacts of the additional truck traffic. She

Councilmember Gordo was excused at 9:01 p.m., and left the meeting.

also thanked the Ad Hoc Committee working group for their work, and stated her disappointment with the County's recommendation, however, highlighted some items of the Ad Hoc Committee Working Group's "Pasadena Preferred Alternative" that were included by the County in the recommended project.

Mayor Bogaard thanked the County for the concessions made as it relates to the recommendations of the Working Group's "Pasadena Preferred Alternative", however, stated that, in his opinion, further debate and possible modifications are necessary prior to the project moving forward.

In response to Councilmember McAustin's inquiry as to whether or not a meeting can be arranged with the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors prior to their upcoming meeting scheduled on November 12, 2014, the City Manager stated that he will look into the matter, and if necessary, request to delay the hearing to a future date to allow time for such a meeting. Councilmember McAustin and Vice Mayor Robinson offered to attend the meeting.

Following discussion, by consensus and on order of the Mayor, the report was received and filed.

**REPORTS AND
COMMENTS FROM
COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

MUNICIPAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE

**NEW TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR
TRANSPORTATION IMPACT ANALYSIS AND THRESHOLDS
OF SIGNIFICANCE FOR CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY ACT (CEQA)**

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that:
 - a. the adoption of New Transportation Performance Measures and Thresholds of Significance for CEQA is not a "project" pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15060 (c)(3) and 15378;
 - b. the thresholds are promulgated pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.7;
 - c. the thresholds have been formally subjected to a public review process;
 - d. the thresholds are supported by substantial evidence as summarized in the agenda report; and
- (2) Adopt a resolution replacing two existing Transportation Performance Measures with five new Transportation Performance Measures and Set Thresholds of Significance for CEQA for the new measures.

Municipal Services Committee Recommendation: After reviewing and discussing the proposed transportation performance measures and CEQA thresholds over the course of meetings on June 10, 2014, and October 14, 2014, the Municipal Services Committee passed the following motions:

- Support for the Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) and Vehicle Trips (VT) per Capita Measures and CEQA Thresholds.
- Support for the Bicycle, Transit and Pedestrian Proximity Measures and CEQA Thresholds.
- Accept that Auto Level of Service (LOS) and Street Segment Analysis will no longer have CEQA Thresholds and direct staff to develop a process by which LOS and Street Segment analysis would be applied to large development projects for purposes of applying standard conditions of approval to address identified effects.

Planning Commission Recommendation: After reviewing and discussing the proposed transportation performance measures and CEQA thresholds over the course of meetings on April 9, 2014, May 28, 2014, June 11, 2014, June 25, 2014, July 23, 2014, and September 10, 2014, the Planning Commission passed the following motions:

- Support for the Auto Intersection LOS D CEQA Threshold citywide with a CEQA Threshold of LOS E within designated TOD areas.
- Support for the Bicycle, Transit and Pedestrian Proximity Measures and CEQA Thresholds.
- Support for the Modified Street Segment Analysis applied to all commercial and residential projects and to all street types as a CEQA Threshold.
- Oppose the VMT and VT per Capita CEQA Thresholds.

Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC) Recommendation: After reviewing and discussing the proposed transportation performance measures and CEQA thresholds over the course of meetings on February 27, 2014, March 27, 2014, May 27, 2014, June 12, 2014 and September 11, 2014, TAC unanimously passed two motions:

- TAC strongly supports all six of the proposed transportation measures and CEQA thresholds.
- Recommended addition of the Colorado Boulevard High Quality Transit Corridor as an Infill Opportunity Zone. (Resolution No. 9398)

Councilmember McAustin, Chair of the Municipal Services Committee, briefly highlighted the discussion held at the Committee level.

Fred Dock, Transportation Director, introduced the agenda item, and Mark Yamarone, Transportation Administrator, provided an overview of the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

Theresa Fuentes, Assistant City Attorney, distributed a modified resolution related to the agenda item, and Ms. Fuentes explained the modifications to the City Council.

The following individuals spoke in support of the proposed staff recommendation, with some stating concerns regarding any delay in the nexus study as it relates to bicycle, pedestrian, and transit improvement projects:

Rob Tyler, Pasadena resident
Marsha Rood, Pasadena resident
Erlinda Romo, Pasadena Playhouse District Association
Qrys Cunningham, Pasadena resident
Blair Miller, Pasadena resident
Wesley Reutimann, Day One, Inc.
Greg Gunther, Downtown Pasadena Neighborhood Association
Jonathan Edwards, Downtown Pasadena Neighborhood Association/Transportation Advisory Commission

Councilmember Tornek asked staff to examine whether or not it is possible to accelerate the nexus study as opposed to delaying it until the adoption of the General Plan, and requested that staff report back to City Council with information on the matter. He also thanked the staff and all others involved in the process for their hard work, and stated his support for the staff recommendation.

In response to Councilmember Tornek, Mr. Dock and Mr. Yamarone stated that staff agreed with the Municipal Services Committee recommendation to remove Auto Level of Service (LOS) and Street Segment Analysis as CEQA Thresholds and that both of those measures will be incorporated into the existing "project evaluation process" and that direction has been incorporated into Item 4 of the proposed resolution, which reads, "amend the administrative procedures for the Traffic Impact Analysis Guidelines."

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

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Madison reminded the community that the California General Election is November 4, 2014, and encouraged everyone to vote. He also commented on the Bob Hope Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Commission's annual retreat held at the Pasadena Convention Center, and thanked the Mayor and the City Manager for their attendance and for welcoming the Airport Commissioners to the City.

Councilmember McAustin commented on a letter recently submitted by Hugh Bowles regarding the Arroyo Seco Canyon project, and asked staff to report back to the City Council with information on the City's position and comments on the project.

Councilmember Tornek reported on the joint meeting of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) and the San Bernardino Associated Governments, and highlighted some of the discussions held at the meeting.

The City Clerk reported that the nomination period for the upcoming City of Pasadena and Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) 2015 Primary Nomination Election will open on November 17, 2014 for the following races: Mayor, City Council Districts 1, 2, 4, and 6, and PUSD Board of Education Districts 2, 4, and 6. He invited interested persons to attend one of the informational candidate workshops to be held on November 17 and 19, 2014, and noted that additional election information is available online at the City Clerk's Office webpage.

ADJOURNMENT

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 10:23 p.m.



Bill Bogaard, Mayor
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:



City Clerk