

CITY OF PASADENA  
City Council Minutes  
February 4, 2002 - 5:30 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

OPENING:

Mayor Bogaard called the regular meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.  
(Absent: Councilmembers Madison, Streator)

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 5:45 p.m.,  
to discuss the following closed sessions:

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR  
pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6  
Agency Representatives: Cynthia Kurtz, Karyn Ezell  
Unrepresented Employees: All Unrepresented Employees**

It was moved by Vice Mayor Little, seconded by Councilmember  
Tyler, to direct staff to return to City Council with recommendations.  
(Motion carried, with Councilmember Gordo abstaining) (Absent:  
Councilmembers Streator, Madison)

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY  
NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8,  
Properties: 3336 East Foothill Boulevard, Pasadena; 252 South  
Raymond Avenue, Pasadena  
City Negotiators: Cynthia Kurtz, Richard Bruckner  
Negotiating Parties: L.A. to Pasadena Metro Blue Line  
Construction Authority  
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms**

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

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -  
PENDING LITIGATION pursuant to Government Code Section  
54956.9(a)  
Name of Case: Sean McMorris v. City of Pasadena  
Case No. GC026402**

The above closed session item was not discussed.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 6:35 p.m.  
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Gregor  
Edwards.

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard  
Vice Mayor Paul Little  
Councilmember Victor Gordo  
Councilmember Steve Haderlein  
Councilmember Chris Holden  
Councilmember Steve Madison (Absent)  
Councilmember Joyce Streater (Absent)  
Councilmember Sidney F. Tyler, Jr.

Staff:

City Manager Cynthia J. Kurtz  
City Attorney Michele Beal Bagneris  
City Clerk Jane L. Rodriguez

**CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

The City Clerk administered oaths of office to Ms. Pixie Boyden as Northwest Commissioner and Ms. Suzanne Berberian as Human Services Commissioner.

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

**MR. ROBERT WITTRY, PASADENA RESIDENT, REGARDING INDOOR ENCLOSED "OPEN" SPACE**

Mr. Wittry distributed a copy of Page 117 of the recently adopted (January 28, 2002) Fair Oaks/Orange Grove Specific Plan. He expressed concerns pertaining to the approval of indoor recreation rooms qualifying as open space and requested Council re-agendize the Specific Plan for further review to address the issue in more detail.

The Mayor suggested the City Manager review the matter and provide a response to City Council in writing.

Mr. John Kvammen, Pasadena resident, spoke concerning a recent raid by police at 202 and 204 West California Boulevard (Caltrans owned vacant property); and other vacant property owned by Caltrans. He further requested that Council contact Mr. Jeff Morales, Director of Caltrans, to address the problems associated with the vacant properties and urge that tenants should occupy the properties.

Mr. Roy Begley, Pasadena Resident, spoke concerning City Hall seismic retrofit.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT ALL-WAY STOP SIGN POLICY FOR RESIDENTIAL STREET INTERSECTIONS**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution establishing All-Way Stop Sign Warrants for Residential Street Intersections. (Resolution No. 8079)

**Recommendation of Transportation Advisory Commission:** The proposed All-Way Stop Sign Warrants for Residential Street Intersections was presented to and supported by the Transportation Advisory Commission at their meeting of December 6, 2001.

Councilmember Haderlein, Chair of Public Safety Committee, summarized the agenda report.

Mr. Robert Wittry, Pasadena resident, spoke in support of the policy and submitted a letter with various suggestions for modifications for peak hour traffic and areas where children play.

The City Manager noted that Council can change requirements and criteria if it chooses.

Mr. Bhaman Janka, Transportation Administrator, responded to questions concerning the analysis of the proposed stop sign project and indicated that staff would like to keep judgment for the signs on an individual, case-by-case basis, rather than establishing criteria.

The Mayor suggested staff review Mr. Wittry's letter and advise Council, through the Public Safety Committee, if any additional changes were necessary.

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

**REPORTS AND  
COMMENTS FROM  
COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**PUBLIC SAFETY  
COMMITTEE**

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO TITLE 8 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT RESTAURANT DISPOSAL OF COOKING GREASE**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** It is recommended that the City Council direct the City Attorney to draft an ordinance amending Title 8 of the Pasadena Municipal Code to prohibit the disposal of fats, grease, and oils from food establishments into the municipal sanitary sewer system and require food establishments to adopt Best Management Practices.

Councilmember Haderlein, Chair of Public Safety, summarized the agenda report.

Mr. Mel Lim, Environmental Health Division Manager, provided an overview of the proposed ordinance and responded to questions.

Councilmember Tyler expressed concern regarding the non-aggressiveness of the language in the proposed ordinance and inquired concerning incentives to restaurants for the disposal of grease.

The City Manager explained the difficulty of distinguishing the restaurants causing the blockage and discussed the policy for attempting to prevent future grease blockage from restaurants.

Councilmember Tyler suggested using a decrease in the frequency of the grease runs as a means to measure improvement or an incentive to restaurants.

Mr. Leo Alamillo, Public Works Superintendent, responded to questions concerning the frequency of grease runs handled by staff.

The Mayor suggested staff report back to Council in one year regarding the effectiveness of the ordinance and its operation.

Mr. Robert Wittry, Pasadena resident, spoke in support and suggested educating the public as to the disposal of grease.

It was moved by Councilmember Haderlein, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to approve the City Manager's recommendation, the City Attorney is directed to return to Council within 60 days with the ordinance, and staff is to report back in one year on the effectiveness of the ordinance. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Madison, Streator)

**PUBLIC SAFETY  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
UPDATE - CLOSURE OF  
ST. LUKE MEDICAL  
CENTER**

Councilmember Haderlein reported that the Public Safety Committee received an update regarding the impacts of the closure of St. Luke Medical Center.

Ms. Wilma Allen, Director of Public Health, noted that all of the impacts were not clear but she would provide a report to Council concerning the impacts of the closure of the Medical facility to the community.

The City Attorney noted this matter is not on Council's agenda and informed the Council that if it wished to discuss the closure of St. Luke Medical facility, it would need to be agendized for a future meeting.

Councilmember Haderlein suggested agendizing the matter within one week (February 11, 2002) for an update to City Council. He noted that information was still being gathered, and on March 4, 2002, the Public Safety Committee would receive another update on the issue. He also noted the Planning Commission would be reviewing the land use issues concerning the closure on February 13, 2002.

Mr. Robert Wittry, Pasadena resident, spoke concerning land use issues pertaining to the closure of St. Luke Medical Center.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmember Holden was excused at 7:20 p.m.

**PURCHASE OF BRUSH CHIPPER**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** It is recommended that the City Council authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Vermeer Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$75,797 for the purchase of two Vermeer 1800A brush chippers to replace equipment numbers 1052 and 1015. The proposed purchase is exempt from competitive

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

It is also recommended that the City Council grant this contract a partial exemption (vendor outreach only) from the Affirmative Action in Contracting Ordinance pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.09.060(C), contracts for which the City's best interests are served.

**LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND DEL MAR STATION LLC, FOR THE INSTALLATION OF TEMPORARY TIE-BACKS UNDER THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR SUBTERRANEAN PARKING AT 198 SOUTH RAYMOND AVENUE**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** Adopt a resolution approving a License Agreement with Del Mar Station LLC, located at 198 South Raymond Avenue, with the terms and conditions as set forth in the background section of the agenda report, and authorize the City Manager to execute and the City Clerk to attest, said License Agreement, on behalf of the City of Pasadena. (Resolution No. 8080, Contract No. 17,882)

**SALE OF SURPLUS THERMAL IMAGING DEVICE**

**Recommendation of City Manager:**

- (a) Authorize the sale to the City of Pomona of a surplus Inframetrics Mark II thermal imaging device.
- (b) Approve a journal voucher appropriating the proceeds from the sale, \$65,000, to the LA IMPACT Account No. 104-402410. (Journal Voucher No. 2002-51)

**SUSPENSION OF THE NOISE ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE CALVARY CHAPEL OF PASADENA'S EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE, TO BE HELD AT VICTORY PARK ON SUNDAY MARCH 31, 2002**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** It is recommended that the City Council direct the City Attorney's Office to prepare an ordinance to suspend the Noise Ordinance and a Notice of Exemption, with respect to the proposed Easter Sunrise Service to be held at Victory Park on Sunday, March 31, 2002 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 24, 2001 (Special Meeting)

CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

Claim No. 8941	Sherry G. Stone	\$ 585.00
Claim No. 8942	Valerie Ehrman	300.00
Claim No. 8943	Gerardo Venegas	4,005.90

PUBLIC HEARING SET

**March 11, 2002, 8:00 p.m.** - Call for Review of Conditional Use Permit No. 3890 to the City Council (162-180 N. Hill Avenue, Tommy's Take-Out Restaurant)

It was moved by Councilmember Tyler, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to approve the Consent Calendar. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Holden, Madison, Streater)

**RECOMMENDATIONS  
FROM OFFICERS AND  
DEPARTMENTS**

Councilmember Holden  
returned at 7:34 p.m.

**OPPOSITION TO ASSEMBLY BILL 680 (STEINBERG) -  
REALLOCATION OF SALES TAX AND STATE REVENUE  
SOURCES**

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

- (a) Oppose Assembly Bill 680 (AB 680) that would modify the method by which future sales tax revenue would be allocated within Sacramento County; and
- (b) Authorize the Mayor to send letters to the appropriate authorities stating Pasadena's position.

The City Manager and Jay Goldstone, Director of Finance, summarized the agenda report and responded to questions.

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

Councilmember Tyler inquired concerning Assemblymember Liu's position on the matter, and noted that she did not vote on this legislation.

The City Manager indicated that she would follow-up and provide the Assemblymember's position to Council.

Vice Mayor Little requested staff communicate to Senator Scott the City's position on the bill and ensure that he understood its importance.

**ORDINANCES**

**Conduct first reading of "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF PASADENA ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 17.08.040 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO CHANGE THE DESIGNATION FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LINCOLN AVENUE AND MONTANA STREET (455 WEST MONTANA STREET)**

Mr. Robert Wittry, Pasadena resident, spoke in favor of the proposed ordinance and expressed concern the desires of the public were not heard regarding land use matters.

Councilmember Holden noted that the Fair Oaks/Orange Grove Specific Plan was approximately a three to four year process, the community was heard, and noted Mr. Wittry disagreed with the outcome. He stated the process had moved forward and it was a good Plan.

The above ordinance was offered by Councilmember Holden:  
AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Haderlein, Holden, Tyler,  
Vice Mayor Little, Mayor Bogaard  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Councilmembers Madison, Streator

**ORDINANCE ADOPTED**

**Adopt "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING TITLE 14 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE AND AMENDING THE PROVISIONS FOR ALTERNATIVE MATERIALS, ALTERNATE DESIGNS, AND METHODS OF CONSTRUCTION"** (Introduced by Vice Mayor Little) (Ordinance No. 6885)

The above ordinance was adopted by the following:  
AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Haderlein, Holden, Tyler,  
Vice Mayor Little, Mayor Bogaard  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Councilmembers Madison, Streator

**INFORMATION ITEM**

**PREDEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW FOR THE PROPOSED MIXED USE PROJECT LOCATED AT 240 SOUTH RAYMOND AVENUE (DEL MAR STATION JOINT DEVELOPMENT) LOCATED WITHIN THE SANTA FE TRANSPORTATION CENTER SUBDISTRICT OF THE CENTRAL DISTRICT SPECIFIC PLAN**  
**Recommendation of City Manager:** This report is being provided for information purposes only at this time.

Mr. Brian League, Acting Principal Planner, summarized the agenda report, provided an overview of the proposed project, and responded to questions.

Mr. Richard Bruckner, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions concerning the proposed towers, and affordable housing.

Councilmember Tyler suggested large shade trees at the site and inquired concerning the possibility of storing air conditioning equipment in the proposed tower.

In response, Mr. League informed Council that the Urban Forestry Advisory Committee would be reviewing the appropriate trees for the site; and the tower was considered an architectural element, not occupied space.

Mr. Bruckner clarified the tower space was not intended to be utilized as mechanical or ventilation space when reviewing the architectural plans, but was set up as a landmark corner to set the buildings off. He further indicated staff would review the matter and follow-up with Council as to whether or not the Code allows any mechanical devices in the tower.

Mr. Robert Wittry, Pasadena resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed project.

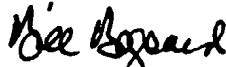
On order of the Mayor, the report was received and filed.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Vice Mayor Little requested that information be provided to Council pertaining to the recent payment of \$470,000 to the Pasadena Unified School District.

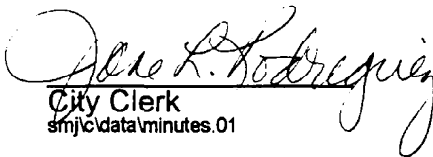
The City Manager indicated she would provide the information to Council in her weekly informational letter.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 8:04 p.m.



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Bill Bogaard  
Mayor

ATTEST:



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City Clerk  
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