

CITY OF PASADENA  
City Council Minutes  
June 17, 2002 - 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: None)

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

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY  
NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8  
Property: 252 South Raymond, Pasadena, CA  
Agency Negotiators: Richard Bruckner and Kirk Pelsler  
Negotiating Party: Los Angeles to Pasadena Metro Blue Line  
Construction Authority  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment**

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -  
PENDING  
LITIGATION pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a)  
Name of Case: Amy v. City of Pasadena, et al., Case No. GS  
006463**

The above closed session items were discussed, with no reportable  
action.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 6:47 p.m.  
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Little.

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard  
Vice Mayor Paul Little  
Councilmember Victor Gordo  
Councilmember Steve Haderlein  
Councilmember Chris Holden  
Councilmember Steve Madison  
Councilmember Joyce Streater  
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. Cathi Caldwell as  
member of the Commission on the Status of Women and Mr. Ben  
Green as Senior Commissioner.

The Mayor acknowledged the Pasadena Pops Concert in front of City Hall over the past weekend and expressed the Music Director's gratitude for the City's partnership in the event. He announced on Saturday, June 22, 2002 at 8:30 a.m., the City sponsored Housing Affordability Conference would be held at the Pasadena Community College Skills Center on east Foothill Boulevard in Pasadena.

Vice Mayor Little expressed his appreciation to staff and event organizers for the security at the Wango Tango concert, and noted that there would be an upcoming recycling of computer equipment event at the Rose Bowl.

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

Mr. Gregory W. Mosley, representing W.D. Edson Neighborhood Association, distributed and read a letter requesting the Council decline any request of the Pasadena Unified School District to use the Highland Plastics property for a new school site.

Mr. Robert Wittry, Pasadena resident, expressed his appreciation for reducing the helicopter noise over the past weekend, spoke regarding helicopter roof top numbers, and requested quieter City owned helicopters.

Mr. Jorge Hilario, pushcart vendor, referenced a December 2001 meeting regarding pushcart vendor problems and his concern at that time that he would be terminated from an El Centro de Accion program. Mr. Hilario informed Council that he and another vendor subsequently received a termination letter from El Centro, which was received in the presence of the Police Chief. Mr. Hilario stated he felt intimidated receiving the letter in the presence of the Police Chief and that he should have been notified by El Centro as to the reasons for his termination prior to receipt of the letter.

Councilmember Gordo referenced the December 2001 meeting where the vendors were represented and stated Council had requested that the Economic Development and Technology Committee review the matter, however, he noted the matter had not been agendaized and requested the City Manager see that this happens.

The City Manager stated that she recalled a request for a meeting with El Centro and such meeting took place with the former Assistant City Manager, but she would ensure that the matter was placed on a future Committee agenda.

Councilmember Gordo expressed concern that City staff serving on boards of community organizations, particularly advocacy organizations, could be considered a conflict of interest. He also expressed concern regarding the Police Chief's presence during the termination.

The Mayor noted that El Centro de Accion is an independent organization and the Police Chief sits on its Board of Directors. He

noted it is possible that the Chief was present as a member of a committee giving special attention to the issue of the supervision and oversight of this particular vendor program.

Vice Mayor Little expressed his support for senior City staff being involved in the community and serving on boards of community organizations, and noted it is not the role of the Council to dictate what organizations City staff can be involved in on their own time.

Following brief discussion, the City Manager stated staff would contact Mr. Hilario when the issue was scheduled to be reviewed by the Economic Development and Technology Committee.

**RECOMMENDATIONS  
FROM OFFICERS AND  
DEPARTMENTS**

**CONSIDERATION OF INSTALLING SPEED BUMPS ON LAGUNA ROAD BETWEEN SAN RAFAEL AVENUE AND BURLEIGH DRIVE (Councilmember Madison)**

Councilmember Madison indicated that he had met with neighbors regarding issues pertaining to traffic, speed, and safety, therefore, he was requesting Council support to allow staff to return to Council with a report pertaining to speed bumps on Laguna Road.

The City Manager confirmed that a request and a petition had been received for speed bumps at the location, however, the location did not meet the six criteria established by Council for the speed bumps so it could not be handled administratively. She further indicated Council's alternatives to take an action to have the speed bumps installed or direct staff to provide a report and take action at a later time.

Councilmember Madison suggested having staff return to Council with a detailed report to examine all options.

Councilmember Holden requested a list of streets that met the criteria for the speed bumps that were already waiting for installation; and if Laguna Road met the standards, that it not be placed above other streets that are already on the waiting list.

In response, the City Manager indicated that speed bumps were included in the Capital Improvement Program, when resurfacing occurred it would coincide with the improvements, and Laguna Road would not be placed above other streets on the list.

The following residents spoke in support of the speed bumps:

Mr. Cornelius B. Kelly, Pasadena resident  
Mr. Robert Wittry, Pasadena resident

It was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to have staff return with a detailed report stating options available. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

The City Manager indicated that staff would return on July 1, 2002 with the report.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **CONTRACT AWARD TO ALL AMERICAN ASPHALT FOR THE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE OF STREETS - 2002 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$860,000**

#### **Recommendation of City Manager:**

(1) Accept the bid dated May 29, 2002 submitted by All American Asphalt in response to the Specifications for the Preventive Maintenance of Streets - 2002, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required.

(2) Acknowledge the project to be categorically exempt under Section 21084 of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1984 in accordance with Article 19, Section 15301 (Class 1), subsection (c) of the Resources Agency of California Guidelines (maintenance of existing public streets) pursuant to the findings of the Secretary of the Resources Agency and authorize the City Manager to execute and the City Clerk to file a Notice of Exemption for the project with the Los Angeles County Clerk.

(3) Approve a journal voucher recognizing private capital in the amount of \$4,342.50 and appropriating it to Budget Account No. 73710, Preventive Maintenance - Asphalt Streets. (Contract No. 17,973; Journal Voucher No. 2002-79)

Vice Mayor Little requested staff provide a work sequence for the above contract.

Ms. Julie Gutierrez, Director of Public Works, indicated that she will provide the information to Council in the weekly City Manager's report.

Councilmember Holden inquired concerning how the asphalt project would take place and tie in with neighborhoods and street bump projects; and he requested that staff include costs with the upcoming speed bump report.

The City Manager stated that the asphalt project did not include speed bumps. The timing may work with the asphaltting, but it had not been negotiated as part of the project but would be an add-on to the project for any speed bumps; and staff would provide costs associated with the speed bumps in the upcoming report.

### **IMPROVEMENT OF ALLEYS 2002 - PHASE II: CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD TO L.M.T. ENTERPRISES, INC. DBA TYNER PAVING COMPANY FOR \$425,000**

#### **Recommendation of City Manager:**

(1) Accept the bid dated May 22, 2002, submitted by L.M.T. Enterprises, Inc. dba Tyner Paving Company in response to the Specifications for the Improvement of Alleys 2002 - Phase II project,

reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required. The amount of the proposed contract is \$425,000.

(2) Acknowledge the project to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the State CEQA Guidelines (repair of existing highways and streets), and authorize the City Manager to execute and the City Clerk to file a Notice of Exemption therefor with the Los Angeles County Clerk. (Contract No. 17,974)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 15, 2002

CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

Claim No. 9033

Gary Loo

\$10,000.00+

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

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE RESTORATION OF THE VEHICLE LICENSE FEE (Mayor Bogaard) (Resolution No. 8124)**

The Mayor summarized issues concerning the vehicle license fees.

It was moved by Councilmember Holden, seconded by Councilmember Tyler, to adopt a resolution supporting the restoration of the vehicle license fee. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF BARRY GORDON TO THE PASADENA COMMUNITY ACCESS CORPORATION (Mayoral Nomination)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF DANIEL PARK TO THE PASADENA COMMUNITY ACCESS CORPORATION (Mayoral Nomination)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF COUNCILMEMBER STEVE MADISON TO THE PASADENA CENTER OPERATING COMPANY (Council Nomination)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF JOHN LUKE TO THE PASADENA CENTER OPERATING COMPANY (Hotel Nomination)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF GLENN DeVEER TO THE DESIGN COMMISSION (At-Large Nomination)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF STEPHEN L. HORN TO THE ARTS COMMISSION (At-Large/District 2 Nomination)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF JANET YANG TO THE SENIOR COMMISSION (Agency Nomination)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MICHELLE PARDO TO THE SENIOR COMMISSION, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002 (Agency Nomination)**

It was moved by Councilmember Holden, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to approve the above reappointments and appointment. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

**REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES/ORDINANCE - FIRST READING**

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Conduct first reading of "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING THE LIGHT AND POWER RATE ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 13.04 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE, TO RESTRUCTURE ELECTRIC RATES"**

Councilmember Tyler, Chair of Municipal Services, briefly indicated that the item was an outgrowth of direction from Council for specific terms and rates primarily with the elimination of the stranded investment surcharge and restructuring of rates to customers.

Ms. Phyllis Currie, General Manager of Water and Power, summarized the proposed ordinance and responded to questions.

Councilmember Holden indicated that it would be interesting to know why the City of Pasadena's rates were higher than some other utilities.

In response, Ms. Currie indicated that she would like to bring the issue back to Council and she noted that she expected within the next 12-18 months that the utilities would be in the same band with the exception of the City of Los Angeles.

The Mayor noted that after the first of July, Pasadena ratepayers would receive a rate reduction due to rate restructuring and/or elimination of the stranded investment surcharge.

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

The Council expressed its appreciation to the Municipal Services Committee and staff for the focused work during the deregulation period.

Following discussion, the above ordinance was offered for first reading by Councilmember Tyler:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Haderlein, Holden, Madison, Streater, Tyler, Vice Mayor Little, Mayor Bogaard

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS**

**ANNUAL REPORT ON CITY PROCUREMENT - CALENDAR YEAR 2001**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** Receive and file the Annual Report on City Procurement for calendar year 2001.

Vice Mayor Little was excused at 7:58 p.m.

It was moved by Councilmember Tyler, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to receive and file the above report. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Vice Mayor Little)

**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN EMPLOYMENT ANNUAL REPORT: JULY 1, 2000 - JUNE 30, 2001**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** Receive and file the Equal Opportunity in Employment Annual Report.

The City Manager and Mr. Steve Mermell, Purchasing Administrator, responded to questions regarding the timing of the reports and informed Council that the 2002 Employment Report would be provided in February 2003.

It was moved by Councilmember Tyler, seconded by Councilmember Haderlein, to receive and file the above report. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Vice Mayor Little)

Vice Mayor Little returned at 8:05 p.m.

**RECOMMENDED STATE ROUTE (SR) 710 MITIGATION PROJECTS**

**Recommendation of City Manager:**

(1) Approve the list of SR 710 Mitigation Projects for funding under H.R. 5394;

(2) Approve a journal voucher amending the FY 2003 - 2008 Capital Improvement Program budget as detailed on Attachment 2 of the agenda report. The amendments recommended will revise the estimated project costs, add three new projects and close two existing projects. (Journal Voucher 2003-1)

**Recommendation of Transportation Advisory Commission:** This item was scheduled for the June 7, 2002 meeting of the Transportation Advisory Commission; however, the Commission was unable to meet so the Design Advisory Group's recommendations are being forwarded directly to Council.

**SR 710 MITIGATION PROJECTS AUTHORIZED BY H.R. 5394**

**Recommendation of Pasadena SR 710 Design Advisory Group:**

The Pasadena SR 710 Design Advisory Group (DAG), supports the following list of projects for funding under the U.S. Congress Bill H.R. 5394, which has appropriated \$24.5 million to the City of Pasadena for transportation improvements in the 710 Freeway corridor. These projects, including the MTA/City of Pasadena required match of 11.47% would amount to a total of \$27,675,000. We recommend that these projects be approved by the City Council. Further, the DAG believes it urgent that the City move quickly with the implementation of these projects to protect the authorized funding and to assure that these potential traffic mitigation measures can begin to bring some traffic relief to our community which has now waited for many years after the initial Record of Decision authorizing this plan was approved. The projects listed in order of priority, together with their respective estimated costs, are:

(1) Raymond Avenue to SR 110 (Pasadena Freeway) Connector \$ 6,500,000

(2)	110 Freeway to 210 Freeway Connector/Marengo Interchange Emphases	300,000
(3)	Right Turn Lane on Eastbound California Boulevard at Fair Oaks Avenue	400,000
(4)	Arroyo Parkway Street Enhancements	3,600,000
(5)	Raymond Avenue Widening, Del Mar Boulevard to Glenarm Street	4,700,000
(6)	Lake Avenue/Walnut Street and Hill Avenue/Walnut Street Capacity Enhancements	1,000,000
(7)	Construction of Right Turn Lane for Westbound California Boulevard at Raymond Avenue and Resurfacing from Fair Oaks to Raymond	1,600,000
(8)	Traffic Control and Monitoring System - Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS)	9,575,000
	Total	<u>\$27,675,000</u>

The above two items were discussed concurrently.

Mr. David Worrell, representing the Design Advisory Group (DAG), recognized DAG members Claire Bogaard, Victor Ell, Noel Hanson, Subodh Kumar, and Kathryn Nack. He summarized the agenda report and responded to questions.

The City Manager reviewed the staff recommendations and thanked the DAG members for their hard work in this effort.

Mr. Dan Rix, Acting Deputy Director of Public Works and Transportation, reviewed the projects listed in Attachment 2 of the staff report and responded to questions. He noted Rosemead Boulevard would benefit from an Intelligent Transportation System (ITS), but Rosemead Boulevard south of the 210 Freeway is in unincorporated County territory. He stated Los Angeles County plans to put an ITS system on Rosemead Boulevard between the 210 Freeway and Huntington Drive. Mr. Rix also clarified discrepancies between a large display map and Attachment 1 of the agenda report, noting Attachment 1 of the agenda report is correct regarding, Project 8, Subitem 4, California (from St. John to Lake) and Subitem 9, Orange Grove (from 134 to Sierra Madre Villa).

Regarding Project 2, 110 Freeway to 210 Freeway Connector, in response to concerns from Councilmember Tyler, staff offered to follow up with Caltrans regarding advance signage from the 110 Freeway for northbound traffic connecting to the 134 Freeway or the 210 Freeway west/north, as this traffic will need to be directed to turn left at Glenarm Street to northbound Raymond Avenue.

Regarding Project 6, Lake/Walnut and Hill/Walnut Capacity Enhancements, Vice Mayor Little requested that all four turn lanes be included rather than just left turns in the east/west direction to avoid driver frustration at these intersections. The City Manager responded that staff would try and do all of the turns at these intersections, and if not, staff will return to Council.



Regarding Project 8, Intelligent Transportation System (ITS), Vice Mayor Little inquired if Los Angeles County would be participating for the portion of Washington Boulevard between Allen and Altadena Drive (outside city limits). The City Manager responded that this would be a good topic for Council to discuss with Supervisor Antonovich at the upcoming joint meeting in July.

In response to questions, the City Manager noted that design work on completion of the ~~240~~ 710 Freeway is not going forward at this time, noted there is currently an injunction on doing any construction work, including design, and stated the mitigation work is moving ahead. (Corrected 9-16-02)

Councilmember Holden reminded Council it is important to not lose sight of the big picture, as the actions before Council only pertain to mitigation. Regarding the mitigation measures, he noted the need to have benchmarks and to know how they will be measured, and how the outcome will then be determined to satisfy the condition in Record of Decision. He suggested that Council needs to be clear on assessing and evaluating the mitigation measures, how they either address the impacts on neighborhoods to such a degree that freeway completion is not needed, or they come up woefully short and the only way to properly mitigate traffic on city streets is to complete the 710 Freeway.

In response, the City Manager indicated that she would need to have a discussion with Caltrans as to when they see that decision point and how they are interpreting the Record of Decision.

Councilmember Holden suggested after the City Manager has this discussion with Caltrans, an agenda report come to Council with perhaps a recommendation, upon direction from Council, that a letter be sent from the Mayor asking for official clarification and interpretation of the Record of Decision.

The Mayor inquired as to when the schedule of mitigation measures would be completed.

Mr. Rix responded that staff had until September 2004 to get the funds obligated from Caltrans, and design and funding needs to be spent by 2008.

Mr. Worrell requested Council put a sense of urgency on its action because there is no guarantee that the funds will continue to be available; and noted these projects will improve the community.

The City Manager indicated that she would verify with the State on the design work schedule for the 710 Freeway.

Discussion ensued regarding the priority order of the projects.

Mr. Subodh Kumar, member of the Design Advisory Group, clarified that the DAG is suggesting the projects are listed in the order monies are to be allocated to the projects, and once detailed design is completed, budgets for each of the projects would be established and whichever projects could be completed quickly should be done first.

There was a general consensus that Mr. Kumar's clarification would be the intent of Council.

Regarding Project 8, (ITS), Subitem 9, Orange Grove (from 134 to Sierra Madre Villa), Councilmember Haderlein inquired concerning the link between the diagonal section of Rosemead Boulevard, and whether the County will be including in its Rosemead project the area from Foothill Boulevard to Sierra Madre Villa.

Mr. Rix indicated that he believed the County would be completing the entire project on Rosemead Boulevard, including the portion within our city limits, and he would confirm this with the County. Mr. Rix indicated that if it was not included in the County project, staff could add it to the extension of Orange Grove.

Mr. Robert Wittry, Pasadena resident, spoke in support.

It was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to approve the Design Advisory Group and City Manager's recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

Councilmember Holden suggested a separate discussion in the future regarding design of the 710 Freeway, noted the City is on record in support of completing the Freeway, and energy needs to be put behind that effort. He stated he will defer to staff to pull information together and bring the discussion to Council at the appropriate time.

The Council expressed its appreciation to the Design Advisory Group for all of the work efforts on the above project and the Mayor expressed his thanks to staff.

RECESS

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council recessed at 9:23 p.m.

RECONVENED

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council reconvened at 9:29 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED BASIS AND METHOD OF LEVYING ASSESSMENTS AND THE LEVY OF THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2002 FOR THE SOUTH LAKE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

**Recommendation of City Manager:**

(1) Approve the Annual Report of the South Lake Business Association ("Association") for the South Lake Business Improvement District (the "District") for Fiscal Year 2002, Attachment No. 2 of the agenda report in keeping with the Approval Conditions set from the 2001 Annual Procedures.

(2) Hold a public hearing to consider the proposed basis and method of levying assessments and the levy of the annual assessments for Program Year 2002 for the South Lake Business Improvement District.

(3) At the conclusion of the public hearing, adopt a resolution (Attachment No. 1 of the agenda report) establishing the basis and method of levying assessments within the South Lake Business Improvement District for Program Year 2002, while keeping with the Approval Conditions detailed in the agenda report. (Resolution No. 8125)

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported the notice of public hearing was published on June 10, 2002 in the Pasadena Star News, no posting or mailings were required and no letters were received.

Councilmember Madison was excused at 9:35 p.m.

Mr. Robert Montoya, Business District Coordinator, summarized the agenda report and responded to questions.

Vice Mayor Little inquired concerning staff auditing the books and confirming whether or not procedures were being properly followed.

Mr. Richard Bruckner, Director of Planning and Development, indicated that the Finance and Planning Departments review the audit.

The City Attorney stated that she would need to confirm to what extent the City has a fiduciary responsibility as opposed to the Business Improvement District itself.

Mr. Bruckner further responded to questions concerning funding and activities.

Mr. Ed Langhammer, representing the South Lake Business Association, introduced members of the Board of Directors, spoke in favor of the recommendation and responded to questions.

Mr. John B. Howe, representing the South Lake Business Association, spoke in favor and responded to questions.

Mr. Benoit Malphettes, representing the South Lake Business Association, spoke in favor.

Councilmember Tyler expressed his appreciation for the presence of the members of the South Lake Business Association.

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

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Tyler, seconded by Councilmember Streator, to approve the City Manager's recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Madison)

## ORDINANCES - ADOPTED

**Adopt "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 4, CHAPTER 4.08, COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND PURCHASING, REPEALING PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 4, CHAPTER 4.09, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION IN CONTRACTING, AND AMENDING PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 2, CHAPTER 2.360, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION IN CITY EMPLOYMENT, TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE STATE LAW"** (Introduced by Councilmember Streator) (Ordinance No. 6899)

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

**Adopt "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA SUSPENDING SECTIONS 9.36.220 AND 9.36.230 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO AN EXEMPTION FROM THE NOISE ORDINANCE FOR PERMITTED EVENTS AT AREA H AND THE ARROYO SECO FOR SPECIFIED HOURS ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2002 AND ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2002 (MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER AND RACE FOR THE CURE)"** (Introduced by Councilmember Madison) (Ordinance No. 6900)

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

## INFORMATION ITEMS

**PREDEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT, "PASADENA PLACE," 149 WEST GREEN STREET; PROPOSAL INCLUDES THE DEMOLITION OF THE EXISTING SURFACE PARKING LOT AND DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW MIXED-USE BUILDING AND SUBTERRANEAN PARKING GARAGE**

Recommendation of City Manager: This report is being provided for information purposes only at this time.

Mr. Vincent C. Gonzalez, Senior Planner, briefly summarized the agenda report and responded to questions.

Mr. Richard Bruckner, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions.

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

**RECOMMENDATIONS  
FROM OFFICERS AND  
DEPARTMENTS**

**CONSIDERATION OF POLICY ON COMMISSIONER ABSENCES**

The Mayor provided an overview of the Council's general policy of allowing the Chairs of Advisory Bodies to excuse absences. He further informed Council of two requests for a six month leave of absence, one related to military service and the other due to a heavy professional workload.

Discussion ensued concerning support for excusing absences for military service and medical reasons. However, several Councilmembers expressed that leaves of absences for professional responsibilities may not be of the same caliber. Concern was also expressed regarding leaving a void for a District when an extended absence is involved and an extensive amount of business had to be conducted; and that the appointing Councilmember should be involved if it creates a problem.

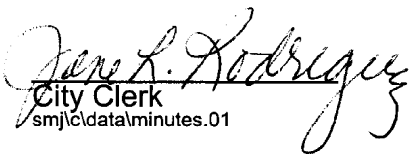
Following discussion, there was a general consensus of Council to allow military and medical leaves of absences.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

  
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Bill Bogaard  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk  
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