# CITY OF PASADENA City Council Minutes February 28, 2004 - 5:00 P.M. Pasadena Senior Center, Multi-purpose Room 85 East Holly Street

#### SPECIAL & REGULAR MEETING

#### **OPENING:**

Mayor Bogaard called the special meeting of the City Council to order at 5:24 p.m. (Absent: Councilmember Gordo)

On order of the Mayor, the special meeting of the City Council recessed at 5:24 p.m., to discuss the following closed sessions:

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a)

Name of Cases: <u>Vanessa Ramirez</u>, et al. v. <u>City of Pasadena</u>; <u>Vanessa Ramirez</u>, et al. v. <u>Superior Court</u> (City of Pasadena, real party in interest); <u>Lisa Hernandez</u>, <u>Angela Cormier</u>, et al. v. <u>City of Pasadena</u>

Case Numbers: BC 265409; B173096; BS 094864

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 Property: Rose Bowl Stadium and surrounding parking areas Agency Negotiators: Cynthia Kurtz, Darryl Dunn, and Jay Goldstone

Negotiating Party: National Football League Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

The above closed sessions were discussed, with no reportable action at this time.

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS pursuant toGovernment Code Section 54957.6 Agency Negotiators: Karyn Ezell, Richard Kunz Employee Organizations: Pasadena Association of Clerical and Technical Employees/Laborers International Union of North America, Local 777; American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 858; Pasadena Management Association; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 18; International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 501; Service Employees International Union, Local 347; and all Non-Safety Unrepresented Employees

The above closed session was not discussed.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council reconvened at 6:59 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Streator.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard

Vice Mayor Sidney F. Tyler, Jr. Councilmember Victor Gordo Councilmember Steve Haderlein Councilmember Chris Holden Councilmember Paul Little

Councilmember Steve Madison (Returned at 7:03 p.m.)

Councilmember Joyce Streator

Staff:

City Manager Cynthia J. Kurtz City Attorney Michele Beal Bagneris

City Clerk Jane L. Rodriguez

#### **CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

Councilmember Madison returned at 7:03 p.m.

The City Clerk administered the oath of office to Jesse E. Dillon as Northwest Commissioner.

Library Director Luis Herrera was recognized by the Mayor for his outstanding service to the City and best wishes extended as he assumes the position of Library Director for the County of San Francisco.

The Mayor announced a memorial service for City employee Scott McKeown to be held at the Pasadena Senior Center on March 9, 2005, at 4:00 p.m.

Councilmember Haderlein suggested this announcement be made available on the City's website.

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Steve Delarosa and Ms. Laurie Hunter, Pasadena residents, expressed appreciation to City workforces for quick response to their respective residences due to mudslides caused by the recent rain storms, asked for FEMA assistance, and consideration of a waiver of fees for any building permits which may be needed.

Councilmember Madison expressed sorrow for their loss, commended City staff for their efforts, and expressed an interest in knowing why water and mudslide damage is not covered in standard homeowner policies.

Mr. Jake Petbosino, representing all bargaining units except IBEW, asked Council to rescind the cost sharing for 2% at 55, and submitted a letter.

Mr. Barry Poole, representing IBEW, and Mr. Emery Mack, representing IUOE, echoed Mr. Petbosino's remarks.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmembers Gordo and Haderlein were excused at 7:30 p.m.

# AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER WITH HACKNEY EMERGENCY VEHICLES FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE NEW 2005 URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE (USAR) UNIT AT A TOTAL COST OF \$440,919

Recommendation of City Manager:

- (1) Authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Hackney Emergency Vehicles in an amount not to exceed \$440,919 for the purchase of one USAR Unit.
- (2) Grant the proposed purchase order an exemption from competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H), contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, material, supplies or services.

## AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO TEREX UTILITIES WEST, INC. FOR ONE HEAVY DUTY CABLE PULLING AND REEL CARRYING TRAILER

Recommendation of City Manager: Authorize the issuance of a purchase order contract to Terex Utilities West, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$87,073, for the purchase of one heavy duty cable pulling and reel carrying trailer (Hydra 985). 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.

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH PCR SERVICES CORPORATION TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES IN THE PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE FULLER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN Recommendation of City Manager: Authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with PCR Services Corporation for an amount not to exceed \$125,000, in the preparation of an EIR for the Fuller Theological Seminary Master Development Plan. Competitive

CONTRACT AWARD TO MEYER MOHADDES ASSOCIATES, DIVISION OF ITERIS INC., TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SPECIALIZED SIGNAL TIMING AND IMPLEMENTATION IN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT

bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services. (Contract No. 18,782)

Recommendation of City Manager: Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Meyer Mohaddes & Associates, a Division of Iteris Inc., to provide professional services in the "Design and Implementation of the Central Business District Signal Timing and Arterial Network Synchronization" in an amount not to exceed \$180,000 and find that competitive bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), professional or unique services. (Contract No. 18,783)

### REVISION OF DESIGNATED CITY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES REQUIRED TO FILE CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENTS

Recommendation of City Attorney: Adopt a resolution updating those who will be required to file conflict of interest statements as pertaining to members of the Fire and Police Retirement System ("FPRS") Board, Deferred Compensation Oversight Committee, and positions in the Fire and Public Works Departments. (Resolution No. 8436)

The City Attorney referred to a replacement page, which was distributed, adding additional Fire Department positions of Fire Marshall and Deputy Fire Marshall and deletion of Assistant Fire Chief.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** 

January 24, 2005 January 31, 2005

CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

This item was discussed separately at the request of Vice Mayor Tyler.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS SET** 

March 14, 2005, 8:00 p.m. - Appeal of Zoning Hearing Officer Decision for a Modification of Expressive Use Permit No. 4254, 168 West Colorado Boulevard (Expanded Hours of Alcohol Sales and Live Entertainment - Villa Sorriso)

March 28, 2005, 8:00 p.m. - Appeal of Subdivision Committee Decision - Tentative Tract Map, 64 Mar Vista Avenue (TTM #062016)

It was moved by Councilmember Little, seconded by Vice Mayor Tyler, to approve the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item 4.C.2 (Claims), which was discussed separately, and including the replacement page in the Conflict of Interest Resolution, as noted by the City Attorney. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Haderlein)

#### CONSENT ITEMS DISCUSSED SEPARATELY

Councilmembers Gordo and Haderlein returned at 7:43 p.m.

Alberto Gonzalez \$	Not Stated
Cam Phu Nguyen	Not Stated
Rose Court Homeowners Assn.	15,640.45
	2,552.12
(Number not assigned)	_,
Jamie Alexis Garcia	25,000,00+
Elizabeth Vargas	Not Stated
	Not Stated
	Not Stated
	Not Stated
Leonardo Vargas	Not Stated
	Not Stated
	Not Stated
	500.00
Ćharles & Tammy Hšu	2,090.85
	Cam Phu Nguyen Rose Court Homeowners Assn. State Farm Insurance Company (Number not assigned) Jamie Alexis Garcia Elizabeth Vargas Luis Vargas The Estate of Emilia Vargas Angel Vargas Leonardo Vargas Christian Vargas Elizabeth Vargas David S. Wong Lynn Davis as subrogee for

Claim No. 9781	Wendy R. Robinson	25,000.00+
Claim No. 9782	Xiang Li	25,000.00+
Claim No. 9783	Cynthia Cox	4,150.00
Claim No. 9784	State Farm Insurance as	
	subrogee for Cesar Soto	960.80
Claim No. 9785	Eric Henderson	376.26
Claim No. 9786	Maritza Rios	25,000.00+

Vice Mayor Tyler questioned whether staff had ever analyzed the types of claims filed and amounts paid out.

Councilmember Madison indicated he would be interested in seeing a trending analysis.

In response, the City Manager noted the only analysis she was aware of was done on trip and fall claims in order to incorporate these areas into an inspection program.

The City Attorney noted her department was working with the Risk Management Division to initiate some type of claims analysis and to pursue the best approach to address liability. She further stated she would circulate a memorandum to the Council regarding the distribution of liability.

Councilmembers Gordo and Haderlein asked about liability for damaged sidewalks and whether the homeowner was responsible for repair, and Councilmember Gordo asked for a copy of the Public Works Department brochure regarding sidewalk repair.

The City Manager noted a citywide sidewalk survey is scheduled for this summer.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Tyler, seconded by Councilmember Little, to receive and file the above listed claims. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

## REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Finance Committee

Councilmember Madison was excused at 7:52 p.m.

### AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A 65-FOOT AERIAL BUCKET TRUCK WITH UTILITY BODY

**Recommendation of City Manager:** 

(1) Accept the bid dated January 11, 2005, submitted by Truck Hydraulic Equipment Co., Inc. in response to Specifications for One 65-Foot Aerial Bucket Truck with Utility Body;

(2) Reject all other bids:

- (3) Authorize the issuance of a purchase order contract to Truck Hydraulic Equipment Co., Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$169,080; and
- (4) Authorize a journal voucher appropriating \$169,080 from the unappropriated Power Fund fund balance to Budget Account No. 401-843210-0392. (<u>Journal Voucher No. 2005-47</u>)

Councilmember Little, Chair of the Finance Committee, introduced the item.

It was moved by Councilmember Little, seconded by Councilmember Holden, to approve the City Manager's recommendation. (Motion unanimously approved) (Absent: Councilmember Madison)

# AWARD OF CONTRACT TO MEGA WAY ENTERPRISES FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER PLAY SYSTEM, CONCRETE WALKWAYS, SITE FURNISHINGS, AND DRAINAGE SYSTEM AT LA PINTORESCA PARK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$162,000

**Recommendation of City Manager:** 

(1) Acknowledge that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines Section 15302, Replacement and Reconstruction, and acknowledge the filing of a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk;

(2) Accept the bid dated February 16, 2005, submitted by Mega Way Enterprises in response to the Specifications for La Pintoresca

Park Water Play Area; reject all other bids received;

(3) Approve a journal voucher recognizing and appropriating \$19,000 of unencumbered Residential Impact Fee Funds to the *La Pintoresca - Water Play Area Project* (Budget Account No. 78504); and

(4) Authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as required in the amount of \$162,000. (Contact No. 18,784; Journal Voucher No. 2005-48)

Councilmember Little, Chair of the Finance Committee, introduced the item.

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

APPROVAL OF A JOURNAL VOUCHER APPROPRIATING \$525,079 TO THE OLD PASADENA PARKING STRUCTURE FUND AND DIRECT STAFF TO REDUCE THE ANNUAL REPAYMENT TO THE GENERAL FUND TO \$350,000 BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2006 UNTIL THE NOTE IS TOTALLY REPAID

Recommendation of City Manager:

(1) Approve a Journal Voucher appropriating \$525,079 to Account No. 8114-407-774500, within the Old Pasadena Parking Structure Fund. A portion of these funds, \$324,362, will come from a reduction in appropriations to the Capital Improvement Budget, while the balance of the funding \$200,717, will come from the Old Pasadena Parking Structure Fund unappropriated fund balance; and

Councilmember Madison returned at 7:57 p.m.

(2) Reduce the amount of repayment of the General Fund advances beginning in Fiscal Year 2005 to the Fiscal Year 2003 level of \$350,000 per year until it is demonstrated that the Old Pasadena Parking Structure Fund can increase these payments without depleting cash. As of June 30, 2005, the principal balance of the outstanding advances from the General Fund to the Old Pasadena Parking Structure Fund will be \$3,736,545. (Journal Voucher No. 2005-49)

Councilmember Little, Chair of the Finance Committee, introduced the item and noted Vice Mayor Tyler had included several items in his motion at the Committee level to approve this matter, and deferred to the Vice Mayor to reiterate his motion.

Vice Mayor Tyler moved to approve the City Manager's recommendation and to direct that the members of the joint oversight committee review the operation and financial position on a monthly basis; that quarterly reports be issued to and reviewed by the Finance Committee; and that staff and the Old Pasadena Management District be instructed to begin work immediately on a 5-year plan for the three parking structures to layout improved financial performance throughout the 5-year period leading to increased debt repayment. Councilmember Little seconded the motion.

The City Manager indicated a correction in her Recommendation No. 2, which should read "Reduce the amount of repayment of the General Fund advances beginning Fiscal Year 2006 2005..."

Councilmember Little acknowledged that in response to questions at the Finance Committee, staff indicated they will be looking at a citywide parking study this next fiscal year to review and assess parking situation/needs throughout the entire city.

Discussion ensued with respect to the financial situation of the garage operations, the need to increase debt repayment, and returning to the debt repayment schedule previously agreed upon.

AMENDMENT TO MOTION

Councilmember Holden expressed concerns regarding the Management District's staffing resources and offered an amendment to the motion: that the Old Pasadena Management District strengthen its accounting and administrative resources to enable it to manage the contract in the best possible way. The amendment was accepted by the maker and seconder of the motion.

Mayor Bogaard noted at the Finance Committee meeting, the District staff had agreed to three elements: they have retained and will continue to work closely with a consultant who is an expert in parking matters, both operationally and economically; they will establish an Old Pasadena Management District committee to meet monthly and no less then quarterly with the City staff with updates

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on budget performance; and, increase accounting capabilities within the organization to assure these types of problems do not occur in the future

Discussion ensued with respect to the time frame for returning to an accelerated debt repayment schedule.

#### AMENDMENT TO MOTION

Vice Mayor Tyler offered to further amend his motion to include: to set as a goal for the Management District, the return to an accelerated debt repayment schedule of \$500,000 per year beginning in the year 2007. The amendment was accepted by the seconder, Councilmember Little.

Vote on the motion, including the two amendments:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Haderlein, Holden, Little,

Madison, Streator, Vice Mayor Tyler, Mayor Bogaard

NOES: None ABSENT: None

#### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

## CONTRACT AWARD TO EMANUELS JONES AND ASSOCIATES FOR STATE LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY SERVICES Recommendation of Mayor:

(1) Authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Emanuels Jones and Associates for State legislative advocacy services, for a period of one year with three optional one-year extension periods, at a rate of \$3,800 per month, plus expenses not to exceed \$1,000 for the first year.

(2) Exempt the proposed contract 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. 18,785)

It was moved by Councilmember Holden, seconded by Councilmember Little, to approve the City Manager's recommendation. (Motion unanimously approved) (Absent: None)

#### RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

CALL FOR REVIEW TO THE CITY COUNCIL - MODIFICATION OF AN EXPRESSIVE USE PERMIT NO. 4254 AT 168 W. COLORADO BOULEVARD (EXPANDED HOURS OF ALCOHOL SALES AND LIVE ENTERTAINMENT- VILLA SORRISO) (Councilmember Madison)

Councilmember Madison noted the applicant has also appealed the decision of the Zoning Hearing Officer and therefore, the Council will hear the matter in either case, however, if the matter were called up by the Council, the applicant would be relieved of paying the appeal fee.

It was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Little, to call this matter for review before the City Council.

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Holden, Madison

NOES: Councilmembers Haderlein, Little, Streator, Vice Mayor

Tyler, Mayor Bogaard

ABSENT: None (Motion failed)

APPOINTMENT OF EDDIE A. RIGDON TO UTILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION (District 6 Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF S.M. MIC HANSEN TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (District 6 Nomination)

It was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Little, to approve the above appointments. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

# LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH FAIR PROMOTIONS FOR THE PRESENTATION OF "THE ROSE BOWL SUMMER FAIR" FOR AN ELEVEN-DAY PERIOD EACH SUMMER FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS

Recommendation of Rose Bowl Operating Company Board:

It is recommended that the City Council:

(1) Enter into a license agreement with Fair Promotions, Inc., for the presentation of the Rose Bowl Summer Fair for an 11-day period in July 2005 and for an 11-day period in each summer thereafter through 2009, for a total of five fairs. Dates for 2005 will be July 13-24.

(2) Suspend the Noise Ordinance (related specifically to hours only, not volume of noise) until 11:00 p.m. on July 15, 16, 22, 23, 2005 (Friday and Saturday evenings), and also suspension of the Noise Ordinance on July 17 and 24, 2005 (to permit amplified noise on Sundays). (Contract No. 18,786)

Darryl Dunn, General Manager of the Rose Bowl, summarized the agenda report, and Mr. Edward Garlock, President of the Rose Bowl Operating Company, responded to questions.

The following individuals spoke in opposition:

Mr. Michael Hurley, Linda Vista Annandale Association Ms. Emina Darakjy, East Arroyo Residents Association Mr. Norman Parker, Linda Vista Annandale Association

The following individuals spoke in support:

Mr. Porfirio Fausto, Member, RBOC

Councilmember Madison stated he did not feel this proposal would have citywide support, questioned why it was not being considered a displacement event, and expressed his strong opposition to the proposal. Discussion ensued regarding sale of alcoholic beverages, usage of Brookside/Arroyo area versus other City parks.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Streator, seconded by Councilmember Little, to approve the Rose Bowl Operating Company's recommendation with the understanding that any requests for sale of alcoholic beverages would come to the City Council for consideration and not the Rose Bowl Operating Company. (Motion carried, with Councilmember Madison voting against) (Absent: None)

Mayor Bogaard suggested the more complex question before Council is what events we allow in the City and what parks are used, noting parks are intended for spontaneous and unscheduled use by the community. He suggested the Council needs to rethink what the revenue and cost implications are and start making choices about how to make certain our parks are used in a sensible way and in a way that serves the community. He reminded Council that it has spent a long time in recent months discussing how the City is short of parks and how to finance more parks. He noted one way to have more parks is to eliminate some of the totally disruptive week-long or weekend-long events that take over parks and make them unavailable for regular use. He further stated it was his understanding that a promoter of the annual jazz festival is negotiating with the Rose Bowl staff to hold the event in the Rose Bowl rather than one of the City's parks, and that it would be interesting to see the economics of that relationship between the City and the promoter and the RBOC and the promoter to see if the numbers are about the same. He noted the question needs to be asked: Is the City handling its park activities in the same way the management of the Rose Bowl is handling their affairs where there is a commitment to have a profitable operation?

The City Manager responded that the promoter of the larger jazz festival is communicating with the Rose Bowl staff because it would be less expensive for them than what the City's permitting fees would cost.

Councilmember Haderlein asked that the issue of permit fees be discussed at a joint meeting with the Recreation and Parks Commission, which he thought was scheduled for sometime in April.

The City Manager indicated the permit fee issue could come before Council earlier than April, since it was staff's desire to focus the joint meeting discussion on the citywide parks master plan. She stated she would check the schedule and advise the Council when this issued would come before them for consideration.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council recessed at 9:16 p.m. to the regular meeting of the Community Development Commission.

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#### RECONVENED

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council reconvened at 9:17 p.m. (Absent: None)

#### **ORDINANCE - ADOPTED**

Adopt "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING CHAPTER 4.04 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE ('DISPOSITION OF SALVAGE AND SCRAP PROPERTY')" (Introduced by Councilmember Little) (Ordinance No. 7004)

The above ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

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

NOES: None ABSENT: None

### RECESS TO JOINT MEETING

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council recessed at 9:19 p.m. and reconvened to a joint meeting with the Transportation Advisory Commission.

## JOINT MEETING WITH TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

The Mayor opened the joint meeting and extended a welcome to the Chair and Commissioners. (Absent: None)

Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC) Chair Richard Quirk acknowledged a quorum of the Commission was present (Absent: Commissioners Clelland, McKnight). Chair Quirk thanked the Council for the opportunity to meet with them.

## UPDATE ON TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION'S PROGRESS ON THE MOBILITY ELEMENT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- (1) "Annual Traffic Report Card" to measure the effectiveness of traffic mitigation measures and the Trip Reduction Ordinance.
- (2) "Fair Share" Traffic Mitigation Fee paid by commercial and residential developments of all sizes for net zero car trip impact.
- (3) Environmental Capacity of Neighborhood Streets clarification and guidelines for projects.
- (4) Revision to the Trip Reduction Ordinance

# IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW SERVICE AND PROMOTION OF THE ARTS (BUSES) FOR INCREASED RIDER-SHIP ON EXISTING LINES AND TO BUILD DEMAND FOR FUTURE EXPANSION

The above items were discussed concurrently.

Mark Yamorone, Principle Transportation Planner, summarized the staff report and responded to questions.

Councilmember Little asked what is being done to reduce traffic and stressed, in the strongest terms, that the City should hire a consultant to recommend ways to reduce traffic ten percent and twenty-five percent.

Discussion ensued with respect to efforts to reduce traffic, including ARTS bus program expansion, annual traffic report card, traffic mitigation fee, revision of trip reduction ordinance, and clarification of capacity of neighborhood streets. Discussion also focused on the budget and time frame for the Traffic Report Card, how information will be collected, and how TAC intends to use the data collected.

Several members of the Council expressed desire to see the recommendations of the Transportation Advisory Commission put in place, before any consideration is given to hiring a consultant, in particular the results of the report card, and whether it will measure the effectiveness of public transportation, i.e., where traffic is heaviest on residential streets, and how effective the City's public transportation is in getting around the city and to and from the city.

Commissioner Naber stated TAC is currently in the process of selecting a consultant to perform the nexus study and hoped the first report card would be available in December.

Commissioner Farhat indicated the report card is a good measuring tool to assist Council in make decisions regarding transportation resources.

It was the consensus of the Council that it did not need to see the list of consultants and wished to rely on the professional staff to determine what data should be collected and areas that needed to be reviewed in the nexus study.

Councilmember Holden noted that Pasadena's transportation impacts are not isolated, that neighboring cities and counties are experiencing traffic congestion problems, and while hopefully the City can manage its traffic issues, it will never be able to eliminate them completely. He urged Council, Commissioners, and staff to be realistic in setting goals that can be accomplished.

Councilmembers Gordo, Holden and Streator expressed a desire to have recommendations on central/shared parking, specifically in the Central District and on North Lake Avenue in place as soon as possible, so developers will know up front what the parking requirements will be before their projects go forward; and, to do a better job of balancing between 'no parking' apartments and the need for tenants (and their guests) to have a place to park.

In response to questions from Councilmember Haderlein, the City Manager noted staff is currently negotiating a contract with the consultant selected to conduct the nexus study with respect to traffic mitigation fees and that she anticipated contract award to occur at the end of March.

Following discussion, staff was encouraged to pursue permanent transportation information at light rail stations and ARTS bus stops, sooner rather than later, and that the Public Information Office be part of the process.

Mr. Richard Bruckner, Planning & Development Director, stated that plans are underway for six interactive kiosks at light rail stations.

### DISCUSSION OF TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION'S ROLE IN PROJECT REVIEW

Chair Quirk expressed concern that the Commission is sometimes asked to review development projects after the fact when it's too late to make meaningful recommendations. He asked for Council direction on what types and when projects should be reviewed by TAC and whether the TAC guidelines for review are adequate or should be revised.

Discussion following with respect to TAC's review of projects, roles and responsibilities of the various review commissions/committees, and the need for Council to be consistent in referring projects to advisory bodies.

Following discussion, the City Manager suggested TAC could review the rules/criteria/thresholds for traffic studies and make recommendations as to whether things are missing and/or should be revised.

It was the consensus of the Council that this would be very helpful and beneficial to Council to have recommendations from TAC on this matter.

In response to a question from Vice Mayor Tyler, the Director of Transportation indicated that the "Traffic Impact Report Preparation Guidelines" had not been reviewed by TAC since its inception in 1999, and noted she would schedule its review by TAC as soon as possible.

Councilmember Holden stressed the need to make sure rules and regulations are applied consistently to projects which have conformed to the guidelines set forth in the General Plan or Specific Plan areas.

Councilmember Haderlein asked if any consideration has been given to including one or two TAC members on the Design Commission which could enhance the communication between the two bodies.

It was the general consensus that this question be referred to staff for a recommendation to City Council.

### TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION'S REVIEW OF ROSE BOWL ACCESS

Mayor Bogaard noted it had been suggested by the General Manager of the Rose Bowl, that informal discussions with one or two members of TAC and one or two members of RBOC, would be helpful to better understand the thinking of the TAC Commissioners and that at a future time bring something back to the Council in a more formal way.

Chair Quirk suggested the Commission, at its next meeting, would discuss establishing a subcommittee to work with the Rose Bowl Operating Company on matters of mutual concern and bring recommendations to the full Commission which would then be forwarded to the City Council.

Mayor Bogaard expressed, on behalf of the Council, appreciation to the TAC Commissioners for their continued commitment to the City of Pasadena.

The joint meeting adjourned at 11:14 p.m.

**RECONVENE** 

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council reconvened at 11:14 p.m. (Absent: None)

PUBLIC COMMENT - Continued

Ms. Tricia Thayer, Pasadena resident, discussed her homeless situation.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 11:17 p.m.

Bill Bogaard, Mayor City of Pasadena

ATTEST:

02/28/2005