

CITY OF PASADENA  
City Council Minutes  
June 27, 2005 - 5:30 P.M.  
Pasadena Senior Center, Multi-purpose Room  
85 East Holly Street

REGULAR MEETING

**OPENING:**

Mayor Bogaard called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 5:49 p.m. (Absent: Councilmember Holden)

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council recessed at 5:49 p.m., to discuss the following closed session:

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a): Name of Case: Diana Palmer v. City of Pasadena, Los Angeles Superior Court Case Number GC 033620**

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

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council reconvened at 6: 30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chance Cobb, West Pasadena Cubs member.

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard  
Vice Mayor Steve Madison  
Councilmember Victor Gordo  
Councilmember Steve Haderlein  
Councilmember Chris Holden (Absent)  
Councilmember Paul Little  
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 the oath of office to John Davidson as Human Services Commissioner.

The Mayor presented a commendation to the Pasadena Fire Department recognizing fire stations as "Safe Surrender" sites for infants. The commendation was accepted by Fire Chief Dennis Downs.

The Mayor also displayed a commendation from Los Angeles Board of Supervisors to the City of Pasadena for becoming a "Safe Surrender" City.

The Mayor recognized the West Pasadena Cubs as winners of the 2005 District 17 Minor League Tournament of Champions. Mr. Mark Leon, father of one of the Cubs, briefly discussed the championship game and the accomplishments of the team.

The City Manager introduced Mr. Brian Williams, as the new Assistant City Manager.

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

Mr. Kurt Thorgerson, Pasadena resident, spoke regarding the issue of energy.

Ms. Tricia Thayer, Pasadena resident, expressed concern regarding safety problems at Central Park, alleged drug activity, and the lack of bathrooms by the playground.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**FIRST AMENDMENT TO SUBLEASE AGREEMENT NO. 13,830, BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND KATHLEEN AND NALENART UNGAMRUNG, AKA CITY THAI RESTAURANT, 48 SOUTH FAIR OAKS AVENUE (OLD PASADENA SCHOOLHOUSE BLOCK PARKING STRUCTURE)**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** Approve the terms and conditions of, and authorize the City Manager to execute, a First Amendment to Sublease Agreement No. 13,830 by and between the City of Pasadena, as Sublessor, and Kathleen and Nalenart Ungamrung, as Sublessees, providing two, additional five-year renewal options. (Contract No. 13,830-1)

**LEASE EXTENSION, FOOTHILL WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD, 1207 EAST GREEN STREET, PASADENA, CALIFORNIA**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** Approve the terms and conditions as described in the staff report and authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement extending Foothill Workforce Investment Board's occupancy of the offices at 1207 East Green Street, for five years. (Contract No. 16,669-1)

**REVISIONS TO THE DISCRETIONARY APPROVAL AND SIGNATORY AUTHORITY REGARDING THE INCLUSIONARY HOUSING ORDINANCE AND REGULATIONS FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT TO THE CITY MANAGER OR THE ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER AND RETURN WITH THE AMENDMENT WITHIN 60 DAYS**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** Direct the City Attorney to amend the Pasadena Municipal Code as it pertains to defining the Planning and Development Director's discretionary and signatory authority regarding the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance and the Inclusionary Housing Regulation, and change all reference hereafter to the City Manager or the Assistant City Manager, and return with the Amendment within sixty (60) days.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENT M068 TO AGREEMENT 07-5064 FOR GOLDLINE PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS ON HALSTEAD STREET, FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO. STPLER 5064(039)**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** Adopt a resolution approving Program Supplement Agreement to Administating Agency - State Agency 07-5064 between the City of Pasadena and the State of California, for State reimbursement of costs for the Goldline Pedestrian Enhancements on Halstead Street (75059), Federal-Aid Project No. STPLER-5064(039), Program Supplement Agreement No. M068. (Resolution No. 8493; Contract No. 16,298-25)

**APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF AN EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC SIDEWALK PURPOSES ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF MADISON AVENUE AND AN EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC STREET PURPOSES ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF EL MOLINO AVENUE, SOUTH OF UNION STREET AT 621 EAST COLORADO BOULEVARD**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** Adopt a resolution approving and accepting a proposed easement for public sidewalk purposes along the east side of Madison Avenue and a proposed easement for public street purposes along the west side of El Molino Avenue, south of Union Street at 621 East Colorado Boulevard. (Resolution 8494)

**CONTRACT AWARD TO SMITH-EMERY COMPANY TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION DEPUTY INSPECTION SERVICES AND MATERIALS TESTING RELATED TO THE CITY HALL SEISMIC RETROFIT PROJECT**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Smith-Emery Company to provide construction deputy inspection services and material testing for the City Hall Seismic Retrofit Project in an amount not to exceed \$700,000 for the expected duration of the project. (Contract No. 18,862)

It was moved by Councilmember Streater, seconded by Councilmember Haderlein, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Holden)

**RECOMMENDATIONS  
FROM OFFICERS AND  
DEPARTMENTS**

**RESIGNATION OF PIXIE BOYDEN FROM THE NORTHWEST COMMISSION** (Mayor Nomination)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF JESSICA VALENTINE TO THE ACCESSIBILITY AND DISABILITY COMMISSION** (District 1 Nomination)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF RALPH McKNIGHT TO THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION** (District 1 Nomination)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF BARRY JONES TO THE SOUTH LAKE PARKING PLACE COMMISSION (At Large/District 7 Nomination)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF WENDY FUJIHARA ANDERSON TO THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (District 2 Nomination)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF GLORIA BRODERICK TO THE ACCESSIBILITY & DISABILITY COMMISSION (District 2 Nomination)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF GARY JOHNSTON TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION (District 2 Nomination)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF MARK PERSICO TO THE RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION (District 2 Nomination)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DANIEL ACOSTA TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION (At Large/District 1 Nomination)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DAVID LEMING TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION (District 4 Nomination)**

It was moved by Councilmember Little, seconded by Councilmember Tyler, to approve the above appointments and reappointments, and accept the above resignation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Holden)

**REPORTS AND  
COMMENTS FROM  
COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**CITY SUPPORT FOR JULY 4, 2005 AMERICA FEST CELEBRATION AT THE ROSE BOWL**

**Recommendation of Rose Bowl Operating Company:** It is recommended that the City Council appropriate \$25,000 from the unappropriated fund balance of the General Fund to the non-departmental portion of the Fiscal Year 2005 Operating Budget, for the purpose of supporting the July 4, 2005 America Fest Celebration at the Rose Bowl stadium, through the purchase of event tickets. (Journal Voucher No. 2005-62)

Councilmember Gordo, Chair of the Economic Development and Technology Committee, summarized the report.

Mr. Jack French, representing the July 4<sup>th</sup> Steering Committee, provided a brief history of the event, summarized the work of the Committee, and spoke in support of the event.

Councilmember Gordo suggested the Mayor send letters to the various sponsors and to the members of the Committee thanking them for ensuring that the City continues to celebrate this event.

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

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **PRESENTATION BY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG) REGARDING "COMPASS 2% STRATEGY: A VISION FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S FUTURE GROWTH"**

Councilmember Tyler introduced Mr. Hasan Ikhata, Director of Planning and Policy for SCAG.

Mr. Ikhata introduced Mark Butala, Project Manager, and Robert Huddy, with SCAG and Pasadena resident. He provided a PowerPoint presentation describing the program, the SCAG region, existing challenges, the public participation process, discussed the services and resources available to local governments, and responded to questions.

It was noted that Mr. Bill Trimble, Planner, is the City's sub-region representative.

### **DEMONSTRATION OF COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

The City Manager introduced the item.

Ms. Beth Walker, Acting Director of Library and Information Services, noted the new Pasadena Public Library's Community Calendar presents event listings in calendar format which is something the community had been requesting, makes it accessible via the web, and brings together in a centralized place information about the events going on the community. She introduced Anne Mello, Calendar Editor, and Janet Stone, Project Manager.

Ms. Stone provided a demonstration of the Community Calendar, highlighted the technical features of the electronic calendar, and responded to questions.

Following the demonstration, Council complimented staff for their work on this project.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **CITY OF PASADENA RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** This report is for information only.

The City Manager introduced the item.

Councilmember Little provided a brief background on this item.

Vice Mayor Madison was excused at 8:00 p.m.

Councilmember Tyler, San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (COG) member, expressed support for continuing the City's relationship with COG and responded to questions.

Discussion followed on concerns regarding the need for in-depth and appropriate evaluations of COG programs; the need for performance appraisals of the executive director; the need for a stronger emphasis on the part of the COG Board to communicate better with its member cities; the need to examine the effectiveness of COG representatives on various boards; the need for regular reports from the City's COG representative; and the need for Pasadena to be more forceful and straightforward in expressing the City's goals as a member of the COG.

The City Manager briefly summarized the benefits to Pasadena of being a COG member, and noted the goal is to have someone from the City Manager's Office attend more regional meetings and provide more support to Councilmembers who are on regional boards.

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

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS**

#### **ESTABLISHING FUNDING PRIORITIES FOR THE ARROYO PARKWAY STREETSCAPE ENHANCEMENT DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT ELEMENTS AND AN UPDATE ON UNDERGROUND CONDUIT SYSTEM COSTS, AND OVERALL PROJECT SCOPE**

**Recommendation of City Manager:** It is recommended that the City Council approve the priority order for funding and implementing the first phase of design development elements of the Arroyo Parkway Streetscape Enhancement Project as follows:

- (1) Parkway Date Palms
- (2) Main Conduit System (Pedestrian Lighting and Parkway Palm Uplights)
- (3) Median Landscaping and Irrigation
- (4) Median Date Palms
- (5) Decorative Concrete Crosswalks
- (6) In-Pavement Crosswalk Lights (Test Location at Fillmore Street)
- (7) Parkway Palm Uplights and Distribution Conduit System
- (8) Main Conduit System (Median Palm Uplights)

The City Manager introduced the item.

Mr. Andrew R. Muth, Principal Engineer, summarized the report and responded to questions.

Mr. Martin Pastucha, Director of Public Works, confirmed that all eight items would be funded in phase one, and also responded to questions.

In response to questions by Councilmember Tyler regarding uplights, staff will provide Councilmember Tyler with photographs and addresses of sites with palm lighting under the canopy.

The City Clerk reported that Vice Mayor Madison had recused himself as the law firm he works at represents a business located at California Boulevard and Arroyo Parkway.

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

### **SUPPORT FOR AND AMENDMENTS TO ASSEMBLY BILL 1617 (LIU) SURPLUS PROPERTY**

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

- (1) Support Assembly Bill 1617 (Liu) as amended relating to the sale of surplus property to local government agencies; and
- (2) Authorize the Mayor to send correspondence to the appropriate authorities stating Pasadena's position.

Mayor Bogaard recused himself at 9:05 p.m. due to a conflict of interest.

It was noted that both Vice Mayor Madison and Mayor Bogaard were recused on this item due to the proximity of their residential homes.

The City Manager and Ms. Julie Gutierrez, Acting Assistant City Manager, summarized the report and responded to questions.

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


### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Little referred to an article in the Los Angeles Times regarding a Commission in the City of Los Angeles that oversees cable television operations and is looking at imposing quality and customer care standards on their franchise operators, and requested staff monitor the issue.

Councilmember Little referred to a City of Los Angeles ordinance that gives the homeowner the ability to regulate the distribution of handbills on their property by posting a sign, and requested staff examine the ordinance.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 9:21 p.m.



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Bill Bogaard, Mayor  
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk