

CITY OF PASADENA
City Council Minutes
October 26, 2009 – 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chamber

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REGULAR MEETING

OPENING:

Vice Mayor Gordo called the regular meeting to order at 6:51 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Joseph Robledo.

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

Property Location: 500 North Lake Avenue

Agency Negotiators: Michael J. Beck and Richard Bruckner

Negotiating Party: David Pourbaba

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

The above closed session item was not discussed.

ROLL CALL:

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard (Absent)

Vice Mayor Victor Gordo

Councilmember Steve Haderlein

Councilmember Chris Holden

Councilmember Steve Madison

Councilmember Margaret McAustin

Councilmember Jacque Robinson

Councilmember Terry Tornek

Staff:

City Manager Michael J. Beck

Chief Assistant City Attorney Nicholas Rodriguez

City Clerk Mark Jomsky

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

The Vice Mayor congratulated Nicholas Rodriguez on his recent selection as Chief Assistant City Attorney.

The City Clerk administered the oath of office to Karen William Evans as Northwest Commissioner.

Deputy Police Chief Chris Vicino announced that the application period for the next two semesters of the Police Department's high school student internship program would open at the beginning of November 2009. The following student police interns introduced themselves: Osiris Negrete (Muir High School); Vanessa Negrete (Muir High School); Chance Thomas (Maranatha High School); and Louis Aguiar (Pasadena High School). Deputy Chief Vicino noted that police interns Jovonna Gardner and Tianna Jones (Muir High School students) were not present.

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

Nancy Nelson, Pasadena resident, invited the community to an Eco-Community Dialogue program ("Safeguarding Our Environment: The Human Rights Issue of the Century"), with featured speaker Sherry Simpson-Dean, United Nations Association Pasadena/Foothills Chapter Executive Director, to be held on October 28, 2009 in the Central Library; and submitted a flier on this event.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
WORKS – COORDINATED AGENCY RECOVERY EFFORT
(C.A.R.E.)**

Bob Spencer, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Public Affairs Chief, provided information on the Coordinated Agency Recovery Effort (C.A.R.E.) multi-agency program and an update on preparations for the post-fire recovery efforts (from the Station wildfire) and for potential winter season storms in the effected foothill areas, responded to questions regarding the fire damage to the Hahamongna and Eaton Canyon watersheds, and distributed information on the C.A.R.E. multi-agency program.

Michael Parenti, Encinitas resident, discussed a technology using an application of hydromulch that could address runoff and erosion issues in the burn areas, expressed concerns regarding the approaches proposed by the County of Los Angeles and the U.S. Forest Service to address the runoff issues, and submitted his written comments on his experience with this technology.

The City Manager indicated that staff would follow up with the County on the concerns raised by Mr. Parenti and provide Council with this additional information (e.g., process and priority for clean up of debris basins, tactics for addressing runoff and soil erosion, and impacts to areas that are downstream from the burn areas), and would include information on the issue of possible contamination to the City's groundwater/reservoirs.

Councilmember McAustin indicated that staff is currently assessing the potential exposure to the City's water system and canyons from debris flow, with staff to provide a report to the Municipal Services Committee when the information is available.

On order of the Vice Mayor, the information was received and filed.

CONSENT CALENDAR

**CONTRACT AWARD TO LINCOLN PACIFIC BUILDERS,
INC., FOR THE INSTALLATION OF IN-FILL STREET
LIGHTING ON ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD FROM**

LINCOLN AVENUE TO LOS ROBLES AVENUE FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$316,000

Recommendation of City Manager:

- (1) Find the project to be categorically exempt under Section 21084 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), in accordance with Article 19, Section 15301 (Class 1), subsection (c) of the Resources Agency of California Guidelines (minor alterations involving negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing), pursuant to the findings of the Secretary of the Resources Agency; and
- (2) Accept the bid dated September 30, 2009, submitted by Lincoln Pacific Builders, Inc., in response to the Specifications for the Installation of In-fill Street Lighting on Orange Grove Boulevard from Lincoln Avenue to Los Robles Avenue, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required for an amount not to exceed \$316,000. (Contract No. 20,107)

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF WEST COVINA FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF A COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH (CAD) / RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (RMS) AND MOBILE DATA COMPUTER (MDC) SYSTEM FOR THE PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Recommendation of City Manager:

- (1) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract, without competitive bidding, pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H), contracts with other government entities or their contractors, with the City of West Covina for implementation of a computer aided dispatch (CAD) / Records Management System (RMS) in the amount not to exceed \$1,180,225; and
- (2) Grant the proposed contract an exemption from the Competitive Selection process, pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(A)(3), contract with other government entities. (Contract No. 20,108)

APPROVAL OF THE FUNDING PRIORITIES FOR APPLICATIONS TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT AND HUMAN SERVICE ENDOWMENT FUND (CDBG/ESG/HSEF) PROGRAMS FOR THE 2010-2011 PROGRAM YEAR

Recommendation of City Manager:

- (1) Approve the funding priorities for activities under the CDBG/ESG/HSEF Programs for the 2010-2011 Program Year, as described in the agenda report; and
- (2) Authorize the release of Request for Proposals (RFP) for the 2010-2011 Program Year.

Recommendation of Human Services Commission: On September 9, 2009, the Human Services Commission concurred with the staff recommendation to establish the public/human service needs assessment/program priorities, as described in the agenda report.

Recommendation of Northwest Commission: On September 24, 2009, the Northwest Commission concurred with the staff recommendation to establish the non-public needs assessment/program priorities, as described in the agenda report.

**CLAIMS RECEIVED AND
FILED**

Claim No. 10,970	James Zeutzius	\$ 191.59
Claim No. 10,971	Susan Heider	256.74
Claim No. 10,972	Galina Risis	25,000.00+

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

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM
OFFICERS AND
DEPARTMENTS**

**APPROVAL OF A MEMORIAL TO HONOR CANTO
ROBLEDO AT VILLA-PARKE**

Recommendation of City Manager: It is recommended that the City Council approve a proposal for a memorial to Canto Robledo at the Villa-Parke Community Center.

Recommendation of Recreation and Parks Commission: At their October 6, 2009 meeting, the Recreation and Parks Commission voted unanimously to support the proposed project to honor Canto Robledo.

Kathy Woods, Parks Administrator, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation.

The following persons spoke in support of the proposed memorial:

Dr. Juan Lara, Pasadena resident
Manuel Contreras, Pasadena Mexican American History
Association President
Brad MacNeil, Altadena resident
Jose Luis Correa, Pasadena resident
Joseph Robledo, son of Canto Robledo
Steve Harpst, Burbank resident (artist/designer of wall
relief monument/memorial)

Following discussion, Councilmember Holden suggested that staff and Joseph Robledo explore displaying some of the Canto Robledo memorabilia, gathered by the Robledo family, at the Villa-Parke Community Center.

It was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Holden, to approve the City Manager's recommendation:

AYES: Councilmembers Haderlein, Holden, Madison,
McAustin, Robinson, Tornek, Vice Mayor Gordo

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor Bogaard

**REPORTS AND COMMENTS
FROM COUNCIL
COMMITTEES**

FINANCE COMMITTEE

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH
MUNISERVICES, LLC, FOR REVENUE AUDIT, REVENUE
INFORMATION AND CONSULTING SERVICES**

Recommendation of City Manager:

- (1) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Muniservices, LLC, for revenue audit, information reporting and consulting services; and
- (2) Exempt the proposed contract from the competitive bidding process, pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services. (Contract No. 20,109)

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FORM OF AND
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A
PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT AND RELATED
DOCUMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE SALE OF THE
SELLER'S PROPOSITION 1A RECEIVABLE FROM THE
STATE; AND DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN
OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH**

Recommendation of City Manager: Adopt a resolution approving the form of and authorizing the execution and delivery of a purchase and sale agreement and related documents with respect to the sale of the seller's Proposition 1A receivable from the State; and directing and authorizing certain other actions in connection therewith. (Resolution No. 8988; Agreement No. 20,110)

**RECOGNITION AND APPROPRIATION OF (STATE OFFICE
OF TRAFFIC SAFETY) GRANT REVENUES TO CONDUCT
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE EDUCATION AND
ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS**

Recommendation of City Manager: Approve a journal voucher recognizing and appropriating \$319,820 in grant revenue from the California State, Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to the Fiscal Year 2010 Police Department Traffic Section budget. (Journal Voucher No. 2010-5)

The above three agenda items were discussed concurrently.

Councilmember Holden, Chair of the Finance Committee, introduced the agenda items.

Andy Green, Director of Finance Department, summarized the agenda reports involving the contract with Muniservices, LLC and the transactions involving the Proposition 1A receivable, and responded to questions.

Deputy Police Chief Chris Vicino summarized the agenda report involving the State Office of Traffic Safety grant revenues.

It was moved by Councilmember Holden, seconded by Councilmember Haderlein, to approve the above three City Manager's recommendations. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Mayor Bogaard)

PUBLIC HEARING

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: CALL FOR REVIEW OF DECISION BY THE DESIGN COMMISSION, MINOR CHANGES TO AN APPROVED PROJECT: SUBSTITUTE MATERIAL/FINISH ON CORNICE, 125 NORTH RAYMOND AVENUE (RAYMOND RENAISSANCE PROJECT)

Recommendation of City Manager: It is recommended that the City Council continue the public hearing to November 2, 2009, at 7:30 p.m.

The City Manager indicated that additional time was needed for staff to meet with the developers and the Design Commission sub-committee regarding this matter.

It was moved by Councilmember Holden, seconded by Councilmember Robinson, to continue the public hearing to November 2, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Mayor Bogaard)

INFORMATION ITEM

PREDEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW FOR THE REMODELING OF AN EXISTING BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION OF TWO NEW BUILDINGS FOR RUSNAK AUTOMOTIVE GROUP CORPORATE OFFICE, AND THREE AUTOMOBILE DEALERSHIPS AT 2965 EAST COLORADO BOULEVARD

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

Lanny Woo, Associate Planner, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

Richard Bruckner, Director of Planning and Development Department, responded to questions regarding the existing buildings in the area of the project, elements of the project, the approval process, and the need for environmental reviews.

Ruth Martinez, Project Manager, responded to questions regarding the proposed project.

Councilmember Tornek suggested that information on square footage for parking areas included as part of a structure be reflected in the total square footage measurements, when reported for projects in future agenda reports.

Lisa Black, Rusnak Auto Group representative (applicant), provided clarification on various elements of the project.

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

COUNCIL COMMENTS

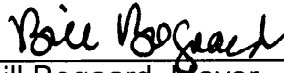
Councilmembers Holden and Robinson congratulated the Rose Bowl and City staff, police, and promoters on the planning and success of the October 25th U2 concert at the Rose Bowl.

Councilmember Madison commented on the publicity exposure that Pasadena received from the concert and the auxiliary revenues that were derived from this event.

The City Manager provided statistics on the numbers of people using alternative transportation modes (light rail, bus, and shuttle service) in getting to and from the concert.

ADJOURNMENT

On order of the Vice Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 8:24 p.m.



Bill Bogaard, Mayor
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:



City Clerk