

CITY OF PASADENA
City Council Minutes
February 22, 2010 – 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

OPENING:

Mayor Bogaard called the regular meeting to order at 5:57 p.m.
(Absent: Councilmember McAustin)

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 5:57 p.m., to discuss the following closed session:

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b): One potential case

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

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 7:02 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Robinson.

ROLL CALL:

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard
Vice Mayor Victor Gordo
Councilmember Steve Haderlein
Councilmember Chris Holden
Councilmember Steve Madison
Councilmember Margaret McAustin (Absent)
Councilmember Jacque Robinson
Councilmember Terry Tornek

Staff:

City Manager Michael J. Beck
City Attorney Michele Beal Bagneris
City Clerk Mark Jomsky

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

The Mayor presented a proclamation declaring February 28, 2010 as Pasadena Youth Orchestra Day. The proclamation was received by Bryan Bowen, Arts and Culture Commissioner, on behalf of Jo Raquel Stoup, Conductor and Music Director of the Pasadena Young Musicians Orchestra. Mr. Bowen invited the community to attend the Youth Orchestra Day event featuring four youth orchestras, to be held at Pasadena Community College on February 28, 2010.

The Mayor and Councilmember Robinson presented a commendation to the family of Robert Daniel Holloway, a survivor of the 1921 Tulsa, Oklahoma race riot. The

commendation was received by Mr. Holloway's daughter, Anita Yvette Holloway (Hammond). Reginald Turner, director of Before They Die, a documentary film telling the story of the survivors of the Tulsa race riot and their quest for reparations, announced that copies of the film are being presented to the Pasadena Public Library and local schools.

Councilmember Robinson thanked the organizations and sponsors of the various events celebrating Black History Month.

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

Carla Walecka, Playhouse District Association (PDA) President, urged the City to explore ways to bring live theater back to the Pasadena Playhouse, keep the Carrie Hamilton Theatre active, and continue to support the arts and culture in the District.

The Mayor noted the City's strong commitment to the Pasadena Playhouse and Playhouse District area.

Rainbow Yeung, South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) – San Gabriel Valley representative, promoted various recent AQMD programs and submitted videos to be shown on the City's public access channel.

CONSENT CALENDAR

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE SYNTHETIC TURF FOR THE VILLA PARKE SOCCER FIELD, FROM FIELDTURF USA, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$405,000

Recommendation:

(1) Find that the project is categorically exempt from environmental review (Section 21084, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, Section 15302 – Replacement or Reconstruction). The replacement of an existing natural turf field with new synthetic turf of similar size, purpose, and capacity; and

(2) Authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Fieldturf USA, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$405,000 for the purchase and installation of synthetic turf for the Villa Parke soccer field. Competitive bidding is not required, pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H), contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, material, supplies or services.

In response to Councilmember Haderlein's question, the City Manager indicated that the goal is to complete installation of the synthetic turf by the end of June 2010.

AUTHORIZE THE AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO. 19,927 WITH VASILJ, INC., TO INCREASE THE TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT BY \$21,000 FROM \$410,000 TO \$431,000 FOR THE 2009 SEWER CAPACITY UPGRADES PROJECT

Recommendation:

(1) Find that the project was acknowledged to be categorically exempt by the City Council on June 1, 2009, under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Title 14, Chapter 3, Class 1 and 2, Sections 15301 and 15302; minor alteration of existing public facilities involving a negligible expansion of the use, and there are no changed circumstances that would require further environmental review; and

(2) Authorize the City Manager to amend Contract No. 19,927 with Vasilj, Inc., to increase the contract by \$21,000 for a total not to exceed amount of \$431,000 for additional work as part of the 2009 Sewer Capacity Upgrades project. (Contract Amendment No. 19,927-1)

CONTRACT AWARD TO TAL CAL ENGINEERING, INC., FOR THE 2010 SEWER PIPE REPAIRS, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000

Recommendation:

(1) Find that, on September 25, 2009, the project proposed in the agenda report was found to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15301 (Class 1), subsection (b). This exemption includes minor alterations of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination, and there are no changed circumstances or new information which would require further environmental review; and

(2) Accept the bid dated February 3, 2010, submitted by Tal Cal Engineering, Inc., in response to the Project Specifications for the 2010 Sewer Pipe Repairs, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required for an amount not to exceed \$100,000. (Contract No. 20,244)

CONTRACT AWARD TO KIMLEY HORN AND ASSOCIATES, TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING AND DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE PASADENA "SAFE ACCOUNTABLE FLEXIBLE EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT - A LEGACY FOR USERS (SAFETEA-LU)" PROJECT

Recommendation:

(1) Find that, in February 2009, the project proposed in the agenda report was found to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines in Section 15301(c), Existing Facilities, of the California Code Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3. This exemption includes minor alterations involving negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing, and there are no changes circumstances or new information which would require further environmental review; and

(2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Kimley Horn and Associates, for professional consulting and full design services for the Pasadena "System Integration/System

Manager, Design and Implementation for the Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)" project in an amount not to exceed \$245,224. (Contract No. 20,245)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR \$5,000,000 FOR ROBINSON PARK PHASE II IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FROM THE PROPOSITION 84 STATEWIDE PARK DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROGRAM OF 2008

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution authorizing submittal of an application to the Proposition 84 Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program of 2008 for the Robinson Park Phase II Improvements Project. (Resolution No. 9006)

MINUTES APPROVED

February 1, 2010
February 8, 2010

CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

Claim No. 11,059	Barnard Foothill I, LLC dba Storbox Self Storage	\$ 1,035.00
Claim No. 11,060	Jodell Kasmarsik c/o Early Maslach & Vandueck	25,000.00+
Claim No. 11,061	AAA Insurance	4,413.60
Claim No. 11,062	Ricky Isaac	150.00
Claim No. 11,063	Miguel Herrera	25,000.00+

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

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

ROSE BOWL LOOP IMPROVEMENTS

Recommendation: Adopt the proposed improvements around the Rose Bowl Loop as detailed in the agenda report. The improvements include slurry seal of the entire loop, widening and coloring the pedestrian walkway, installing delineators along the walkway to separate various uses, and performing spot improvements at key locations to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety. This project is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. This exemption includes minor alterations involving negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing.

Fred Dock, Director of Transportation Department, introduced the agenda item, and responded to questions regarding the proposed Rose Bowl Loop improvements.

Bahman Janka, Transportation Administrator, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions. He reported that the proposed improvements around the Rose Bowl Loop had been presented

to the Recreation and Parks Commission on February 18, 2010, and that the proposed changes had received the Commission's support, with the Commission asking that staff review the improvements after two years of implementation to determine the effectiveness of the project and present a report on the staff review to the City Council and the Commission. He also reported that the City Attorney had requested that the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) language cited in the Environmental Analysis section of the agenda report be included in the staff recommendation (see above amended recommendation).

Wesley Reutimann, Pasadena resident, expressed support for the proposed improvements and concerns regarding the need to address traffic issues around Lot K of the Rose Bowl.

Discussion followed on the Rose Bowl Loop plan originally presented in the Central Arroyo Master Plan vision vs. the proposed improvements for the Rose Bowl Loop; issues regarding implementation of a one-way auto traffic option; and possible environmental studies related to a one-way auto traffic pattern in the Rose Bowl Loop area.

The City Manager indicated that the Central Arroyo Master Plan may need to be amended if the intent is to achieve the goals for the Rose Bowl Loop area, as set forth in the Arroyo Seco Master Plan vision.

Councilmember Madison suggested that staff explore improvements for the snack bar area at the north end of the Brookside Golf Course (between the 14th and 15th tees) to enhance the current use and make it accessible to the public.

Councilmember Haderlein stated his objections to the proposed improvements that, in his opinion, are not consistent with the Central Arroyo Master Plan and his support for recreational use rather than automobile use of the Rose Bowl Loop area. He suggested that the City move forward with the one-way auto traffic option (Attachment C of the agenda report) included in the Central Arroyo Master Plan vision for the Rose Bowl Loop area.

Following discussion, the City Manager noted that staff could assess the Rose Bowl Loop improvements six months after their implementation to determine if the improvements are meeting the objectives for separating pedestrian, bicycle, and automobile traffic; and that the Rose Bowl Loop project is currently listed in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget, although the funding to conduct the environmental studies has not been identified, and could be used when considering additional studies, if the proposed improvements do not work out satisfactorily.

Vice Mayor Gordo stated that any assessment of the improvements and recommendations concerning future studies include a comparison with other unfunded CIP projects so that the Council can consider and make an informed decision regarding the priority of individual projects.

The Mayor asked staff to continue to analyze alternatives for expanding recreational opportunities in the Rose Bowl Loop area, and suggested that the Rose Bowl Operating Company (RBOC) consider having a licensee fund the suggested snack bar improvements and operate this business.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Vice Mayor Gordo, to approve the staff recommendation, as amended to insert the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) language cited above; to direct staff to assess the Rose Bowl Loop improvements after six months of implementation; and to refer Council's suggestions regarding the snack bar improvements to the Rose Bowl Operating Company for their consideration. (Motion carried, with Councilmember Haderlein objecting) (Absent: Councilmember McAustin)

APPOINTMENT OF JULIANNE WORRELL TO THE SOUTH LAKE PARKING PLACE COMMISSION (At Large/District 7 Nomination)

RESIGNATION OF MYRA MARTIN BOOKER FROM THE CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION (District 6 Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF MYRA MARTIN BOOKER TO THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION (District 6 Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF ELIZABETH BRADY WOODS TO THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (District 7 Nomination)

It was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Vice Mayor Gordo, to approve the above appointments and accept the above resignation with regrets. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember McAustin)

PUBLIC HEARING

Councilmember Madison recused himself at 8:45 p.m., due to a conflict of interest.

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: APPEAL OF DECISION BY DESIGN COMMISSION: EVALUATION OF ARCHITECTURAL/HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE OF 499, 501, 503 AND 523 SOUTH ARROYO PARKWAY

Recommendation:

(1) Find that assigning California Historical Resource Status Codes for two properties at 501 South Arroyo Parkway and 523 South Arroyo Parkway is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Article 19,

Section 15308 (Action by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment);

(2) Acknowledge the evaluations of 501 and 523 South Arroyo Parkway in the adopted 2004 historic resources survey for the Central District Specific Plan (Attachment C of the agenda report) and an updated evaluation of these two properties in a recent report from an architectural historian (Attachment A of the agenda report);

(3) Find that 501 South Arroyo Parkway is individually eligible for designation as a landmark because it retains its historic integrity and meets Criterion C (Section 17.62.040, Pasadena Municipal Code (PMC), Criteria for Designation of Historic Resources) and that 523 South Arroyo Parkway is ineligible for designation as a landmark because it no longer retains its historic integrity (Section 17.62.040, PMC, Criteria for Designation of Historic Resources); and

(4) Assign a California Historical Resource Status Code of 5S3 (appears to be individually eligible for local listing or designation through survey evaluation) to 501 South Arroyo Parkway and retain the existing California Historical Resource Status Code of 6L (determined ineligible for local listing or designation through local government review process; may warrant special consideration in the local planning process) for 523 South Arroyo Parkway in the historic resources survey for the Central District Specific Plan.

Design Commission Decision:

(1) On October 26, 2009, the Design Commission found that both 501 and 523 South Arroyo Parkway are eligible for designation as landmarks because they retain historic integrity and meet Criterion C (Section 17.62.040, PMC, Criteria for Designation of Historic Resources); and

(2) Assigned a California Historical Resource Status Code of 5S3 (appears to be individually eligible for local listing or designation through survey evaluation) for 501 and 523 South Arroyo Parkway in the historic resources survey for the Central District Specific Plan.

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 27 copies of the notice of public hearing were posted on February 5, 2010; 80 copies of the notice were mailed on February 5, 2010; and 4 letters in support of the Design Commission decision were received.

Councilmember Robinson was excused at 8:46 p.m.

John Poindexter, Planning Manager, introduced the agenda item and responded to questions.

Vicrim Chima, Assistant Planner, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

Scott Jenkins, legal counsel for Mark Ittah (property owner/appellant), asked Council to vacate the decision of the Design Commission regarding the properties at 501 and 523 South Arroyo Parkway; and retain the California Historical Resource Status Code of 6L for the two properties, with the owner to commit that: the properties will not be demolished at this time; the buildings will be retrofitted and rehabbed; the buildings will be incorporated into a future development, if possible; and the historic status of the buildings will be reviewed prior to any future request for demolition.

Mr. Poindexter expressed concerns regarding Mr. Jenkins' proposal to designate 501 South Arroyo Parkway as 6L.

The following persons spoke in support of the Design Commission decision:

Julianna Delgado, Design Commission Chair
Jim Ipekjian, Historic Preservation Commission Chair
speaking as an individual
Chris Peck, Design Commissioner
Lambert Giessinger, Pasadena Heritage Board member
Michael Krakower, Pasadena Heritage member
Sue Mossman, Pasadena Heritage Executive Director
Kelly Sutherlin McLeod, Pasadena Heritage Vice Chair
(Advocacy)

Discussion followed on determining the level of integrity upheld by the 523 South Arroyo Parkway property.

It was moved by Councilmember Holden, seconded by Councilmember Tornek, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Madison, McAustin, Robinson)

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Tornek, seconded by Vice Mayor Gordo, to sustain the Design Commission decision. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Madison, McAustin, Robinson)

**REPORTS AND COMMENTS
FROM COUNCIL
COMMITTEES**

FINANCE COMMITTEE

**APPROVAL OF A JOURNAL VOUCHER AMENDING
PROJECTS IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2010 CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET**

Recommendation:

- (1) Amend the FY 2010 Capital Improvement Program Budget to include four new projects: Replace High Wattage Bulbs with Light Emitting Diodes; La Pintoresca Teen Education Center; Water Integrated Resource Plan and Urban Water Management Plan; and Annandale Canyon Open Space Trail Access and Improvements; and
- (2) Approve a journal voucher with a net increase of

\$4,127,331 amending 22 projects in the Fiscal Year 2010 Capital Improvement Program, as detailed in Attachment A of the agenda report. (Journal Voucher No. 2010-10)

Planning Commission Recommendation: On January 8, 2010, the Planning Commission found all four new projects consistent with the General Plan.

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

It was moved by Councilmember Holden, seconded by Councilmember Haderlein, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Madison, McAustin, Robinson)

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING

Conduct first reading of “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF PASADENA ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 17.20.020 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE PARCEL AT 391 SOUTH WILSON AVENUE”

The above ordinance was offered for first reading by Councilmember Tornek:

AYES: Councilmembers Haderlein, Holden, Tornek, Vice Mayor Gordo, Mayor Bogaard

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Madison, McAustin, Robinson

REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY FOR UNIVERSAL WASTE

Recommendation: Adopt the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Resolution (Attachment A of the agenda report). (Resolution No. 9007)

Environmental Advisory Commission Recommendation: On July 21, 2009, the Environmental Advisory Commission (EAC) recommended their support to City Council for the adoption of the EPR Resolution.

Councilmember Tornek, member of the Municipal Services Committee (MSC), reported that the MSC had unanimously supported the staff recommendation.

Gabriel Silva, Environmental Programs Manager, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Councilmember Tornek, seconded by Vice Mayor Gordo, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Madison, McAustin, Robinson)

INFORMATION ITEMS

STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS UPDATE

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the informational report on the six-month strategic objectives (Attachment A of the agenda report).

The Mayor noted that this report represents an update of the City's six-month strategic objectives.

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

NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME MAPPING

Recommendation: This item is for information only.

Councilmember Haderlein, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, introduced the agenda item.

Chris Vicino, Interim Police Chief, summarized the agenda report, commented on the use of crime data to inform and educate the public, and responded to questions.

Eric Mills, Police Commander, provided an overview of the neighborhood crime mapping service, demonstrated the web-based program that provides crime data via the internet, and responded to questions.

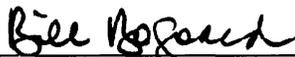
The City Manager emphasized that the online icon location is placed randomly and reflects only that a crime occurred within that block – not at a particular address/lot location.

Discussion followed on the use of this application in crime prevention and supporting the Safe Streets Now program.

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

ADJOURNMENT

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 10:28 p.m.



Bill Bogaard, Mayor
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:



City Clerk