

CITY OF PASADENA
City Council Minutes
February 28, 2011 – 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

OPENING:

Mayor Bogaard called the regular meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.
(Absent: Councilmembers Madison, Robinson, Tornek)

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 5:37 p.m., to discuss the following closed sessions:

Councilmember Robinson arrived at 5:46 p.m.

Councilmember Madison arrived at 5:49 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a)
Case Name: Pasadenans for a Livable City and Pasadena Heritage v. City of Pasadena and Pasadena City Council; Real Parties in Interest: Pasadena Office, LLC, IDS Real Estate Group; and Does 1 to 5
Case No.: Los Angeles Superior Court No. BS 124250

Councilmember Tornek arrived at 6:46 p.m.

Vice Mayor Gordo was excused at 6:46 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Designated Representatives: Mary Ellen Schubel, Arthur Chavez, and Michael J. Beck
Employee Organizations: American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 858; Pasadena Association of Clerical and Technical Employees, Local 777; Pasadena Management Association; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 18; Service Employees International Union, Local 721; International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 501; Pasadena Fire Fighters Management Association; Pasadena Fire Fighters Association, Local 809; Pasadena Police Officers Association; Pasadena Police Sergeants Association; Unrepresented Management Top, Middle and Professional Employees; Unrepresented Technical and Administrative Employees; Unrepresented Confidential Clerical Employees; Non-Represented Employees; and Unrepresented Hourly Employees

The above two closed session items were discussed, with no reportable action at this time.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 7:39 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
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 March 5, 2011 as Arbor Day. The proclamation was received by Darya Barar, Program Coordinator, and Emina Darakjy, Pasadena Beautiful Foundation President, who reported that 50 trees were being donated to the City as part of their organization's celebration of their 50th anniversary.

Cyndee Whitney, Organization Development and Training Manager, and Henrik Minassians, PhD, California State University Northridge Director of Public Sector Programs, presented Certificates of Recognition to the following "City Hall" students who had achieved their Masters in Public Administration studies through the "Northridge at City Hall" program:

- City Council: Councilmember Jacque Robinson
- Economic Development: Michelle Bernal and Eric Duyshart
- Finance: Larry Hammond
- Housing: Anne Lansing
- Human Services and Recreation: Leonardo Chavez, Rosemary Evangelista, Kenny James, Linda Offray, and Nadine Washington
- Information Services: Christina Kuo
- Planning: Angelica Cruz, Antonio Gardea, Jennifer Gorriceta, and Jose Jimenez
- Police: Pete Hetteima, Diane Martinez, and Sahak Nersesyan
- Public Health: Irma Vargas
- Public Works: Nyles Gregory, Sean Singletary, and Dale Torstenbo
- Transportation: Mike Bagheri and Gloria Flores
- Water and Power: Hank Chapjian, Harold Fregoso, and Joan Powe

REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

RESOLUTION DECLARING JANUARY 30TH OF EACH YEAR AS FRED T. KOREMATSU DAY

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution declaring January 30th of each year as Fred T. Korematsu Day. (Resolution No. 9094)

LEGISLATIVE POLICY
COMMITTEE

The Mayor introduced the agenda item.

Councilmembers Robinson and Madison, Legislative Policy Committee members, summarized the agenda report and confirmed the Committee's unanimous support.

In response to Councilmember Holden's questions, the Mayor indicated that the Legislative Policy Committee will consider how the City will celebrate this event in the future; and with the help of community input and collaboration, will report back to the City Council on how the day can be commemorated.

Councilmember Robinson suggested that the ACLU contact staff about partnering with the City on planning the celebration of Fred T. Korematsu Day.

The following persons spoke in support of the resolution:

Roberta Martinez, Latino Heritage Executive Director
Patty Kinaga, Japanese American Bar Association
representative

Wendy Anderson, Cherry Blossom Festival Southern
California Co-Founder and President, submitted a list of
supporters of the resolution.

Connie Rey Castro, ACLU Pasadena/Foothills Chapter
member

Marcia Montez, Pasadena Sister Cities Committee
President

Yukio Kawaratani, Monterey Park resident

Michelle White, ACLU Pasadena/Foothills Chapter
President and Orange Grove Friends Meeting (Quakers)
representative

It was moved by Councilmember Robinson, seconded by
Councilmember Madison, to approve the staff
recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM
OFFICERS AND
DEPARTMENTS**

**APPOINTMENT OF JACQUE ROBINSON TO THE ROSE
BOWL OPERATING COMPANY BOARD** (District 1
Nomination)

The City Clerk announced that the above appointment had
been formally withdrawn from the agenda.

**CONSENT ITEM
DISCUSSED SEPARATELY**

**LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE: RECOMMENDATION
TO SUNSET THE PASADENA STATE ROUTE 710 DESIGN
ADVISORY GROUP**

**Recommendation of Pasadena State Route 710 Design
Advisory Group (DAG):** It is recommended that the City
Council sunset the Pasadena State Route 710 Design Advisory
Group.

David Worrell, Pasadena State Route 710 Design Advisory Group (DAG) member, reviewed the agenda report.

The Mayor and Councilmembers Holden and Madison commended the DAG members and staff for their leadership and dedication to the group's work over the past years.

It was moved by Councilmember Holden, seconded by Councilmember Robinson, to approve the sunseting of the Pasadena State Route 710 Design Advisory Group. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

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

Michelle White, Affordable Housing Services representative, urged the City to continue supporting the Bad Weather Shelter program by extending the time period that the Shelter stays open this year.

David Czamanske, Sierra Club-Pasadena Group Vice President, expressed the Sierra Club's concerns regarding Los Angeles County's proposed sediment removal plans in the area behind Devil's Gate Dam, and submitted his written statement.

In response to Council questions, the City Attorney indicated that the City Council could add the sediment removal issue to the agenda, if the Council could find that the matter arose after the agenda was posted (information was received by the City on February 25th) and that a determination could be made that immediate action needed to be taken (Board of Supervisor's meeting scheduled for March 1st to consider Supervisor Antonovich's motion).

The City Manager noted that the County Department of Public Works had not yet responded to the City's request to make a presentation to the City Council regarding the proposed sediment removal project. He summarized the City's communications with the County regarding the proposed plans at this time.

**MOTION TO ADD ITEM TO
THE AGENDA**

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Holden, seconded by Councilmember Tornek, to find that the matter involving Supervisor Michael Antonovich's motion regarding the removal of sediment in the Devil's Gate Dam area had come to the attention of the City after the agenda had been posted, that there was a need to take immediate action on this matter prior to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors meeting to be held on March 1, 2011, and that an agenda item on the removal of sediment at the Devil's Gate Dam area be added to the agenda as an urgency item. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

ITEM THAT AROSE AFTER POSTING OF THE AGENDA

REMOVAL OF SEDIMENT AT THE DEVIL'S GATE DAM AREA (HAHAMONGNA WATERSHED PARK)

Councilmember McAustin asked that the sediment removal project be agendized for the upcoming special joint City Council meeting with Supervisor Antonovich. She stressed the need for sediment removal in the Devil's Gate Dam area, given the current conditions of the basin area; and the need for the City and County to work together in addressing the environmental impacts on the area and necessary mitigation measures, as the short-term sediment removal workplan is developed and implemented.

Councilmember Holden suggested that the City ensure its involvement in the short-term sediment removal plan and ensure regular communication between the County and the City regarding the sediment removal project (short-term and long-term).

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Robinson, to direct the Mayor to send a letter to County Supervisor Michael Antonovich in support of his request to the Board of Supervisors to direct the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works to undertake an Environmental Impact Report for the Devil's Gate Sediment Removal Project, and to report back to the Board of Supervisors within 90 days with a program for immediate sediment accumulation removal; and to request that the Pasadena Public Works Department participate in the preparation of the sediment removal plan and mitigation measures to be presented in 90 days, to ensure that the project comes into full compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and environmental mitigation throughout the process, notwithstanding the emergency declaration, to ensure that the short-term plan includes appropriate environmental mitigation measures to protect the interests of the City, and to ensure regular and consistent communication between the County and the City regarding the project. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

The Mayor indicated that one or more members of the City Council will represent the City at the Board of Supervisors meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

APPROVAL OF INCREASE TO PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT NO. 46384 WITH DR. YING GOH IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$107,423 FOR PROVISION OF PROGRAMMATIC MEDICAL OFFICER AND HEALTH OFFICER COVERAGE SERVICES

Recommendation:

(1) Authorize an increase to purchase order contract

No. 46384 with Ying-Ying Goh, MD, in the amount of \$32,424, from \$74,999 to \$107,423 to serve as Programmatic Medical Officer and ensure completion of grant-funded activities for the PACE/ALL program, and to serve as Acting Health Officer in the absence of the Director/Health Officer. Competitive bidding is not required, pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services; and
(2) Grant the proposed increase to the contract an exemption 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.

AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER WITH BOERNER TRUCK CENTER FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE CRANE CARRIER REFUSE REAR LOADER TRUCK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$246,489

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;
- (2) Authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Boerner Truck Center, in an amount not to exceed \$246,489 for the purchase of one rear loader refuse truck, without competitive bidding, pursuant to City Charter Section (H), contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, materials, supplies, or services; and
- (3) Find the proposed contract exempt 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 AWARD TO GARCIA JUAREZ CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR 2011 SEWER REPAIRS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$131,500

Recommendation:

- (1) Acknowledge the project to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), in accordance with Title 14, Chapter 3, Class 1, Section 15301, 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
- (2) Accept the bid dated January 19, 2011, submitted by Garcia Juarez Construction, Inc., for the 2011 Sewer Repairs, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract for an amount not to exceed \$131,500. (Contract No. 20,605)

AUTHORIZE THE APPLICATION FOR A \$50,000 WATERSMART: WATER AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY FISCAL YEAR 2011 GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, BUREAU OF RECLAMATION TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE PASADENA WATER AND POWER (PWP) SMART LANDSCAPE MAKEOVER PROGRAM: INCENTIVE IN SUPPORT OF WATER CONSERVATION EFFORTS FOR LOW INCOME FAMILIES (THE PROJECT)

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the Pasadena Water and Power (PWP) Smart Landscape Makeover Program: Incentive in Support of Water is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301(a), existing facilities;
- (2) Adopt a resolution to authorize the General Manager of PWP to submit a grant application to the United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) for the Project;
- (3) Designate the General Manager of PWP as the authorized representative with signature authority for the grant application and all contract documents pursuant to this grant; and
- (4) Authorize PWP to enter into a funding agreement for the Smart Landscape Makeover Program in an amount of \$50,000 with the United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation. (Resolution No. 9095; Agreement No. 20,606)

CONTRACT AWARD TO WALKER RESTORATION CONSULTANTS FOR GARAGE ASSESSMENT SERVICES ON CITY-OWNED GARAGES

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Article 19, Section 15306 in accordance with Section 21084 of the Public Resources Code; and
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Walker Restoration Consultants, to assess the physical conditions of nine City-owned garages in an amount not to exceed \$126,000. (Contract No. 20,607)

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ARNOLD AND WALTERS TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONSULTANTS FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the proposed contract is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3); and
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a two-year contract, with the option of an additional one-year term at the option of the City Manager, with Arnold and Walters

Telecommunications Consultants, for telecommunications engineering and construction management services for a total contract amount not to exceed \$95,000 over the two-year term of the contract. The remaining balance from the not to exceed contract amount will be used to fund the additional one-year term at the option of the City Manager. Competitive bidding is not required, pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services. (Contract No. 20,608)

FINANCE COMMITTEE: APPROVAL OF A JOURNAL VOUCHER AMENDING PROJECTS IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2011 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET

Recommendation:

- (1) Amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Capital Improvement Program Budget to include the new *Pasadena Ice Rink Relocation* project; and
- (2) Approve a journal voucher with a net increase of \$111,197 amending 25 projects in the FY 2011 Capital Improvement Program Budget, as detailed in Attachment A of the agenda report. (Journal Voucher No. 2011-16)

Item discussed separately at the request of the Mayor.

LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE: RECOMMENDATION TO SUNSET THE PASADENA STATE ROUTE 710 DESIGN ADVISORY GROUP

Item discussed separately due to request for public comment.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO DRAFT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TRUCK ROUTE ORDINANCE, SECTION 10.52 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE

MINUTES APPROVED

January 31, 2011
February 7, 2011
February 14, 2011

CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

Claim No. 11,309	Jose A. Quiroz	\$ 757.94
Claim No. 11,310	Workmen's Auto Insurance Company as subrogee for Ruben Rogriquez	2,973.40
Claim No. 11,311	Republic Indemnity Company of America as subrogee for David Searfoss and Pasadena Symphony Association	25,000.00+
Claim No. 11,312	Rosemary Angelique	25,000.00+
Claim No. 11,313	Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company	23,837.87
Claim No. 11,314	Oscar A. Nunez	573.29

PUBLIC HEARINGS SET

March 28, 2011, 7:30 p.m. – Ambassador West – Changes to Approved Project to Reset Entitlement Time Limits (Applicant: City Ventures)

March 28, 2011, 7:30 p.m. – Ambassador West – Changes to Approved Project to Reset Entitlement Time Limits (Applicant: Sunrise Senior Living)

April 25, 2011, 7:30 p.m. – Major Project Processing Zoning Code Amendment

Councilmember Holden, Chair of the Finance Committee, noted that the recommendation for Item 7 (Journal Voucher Amending Projects in the Fiscal Year 2011 Capital Improvement Program Budget) had been amended at the Finance Committee, to refer Project 14 in the agenda report back to the Finance Committee for further review.

It was moved by Councilmember Tornek, seconded by Councilmember McAustin, to approve the Consent Calendar, with the exceptions of Item 8 (Sunset the Pasadena State Route 710 Design Advisory Group) and Item 9 (Draft an Ordinance Amending Truck Route Ordinance), which were discussed separately, and with the Item 7 (Journal Voucher Amending Projects in the Fiscal Year 2011 Capital Improvement Program Budget) recommendation amended to refer Project No. 14 (Michillinda Avenue – Street Lighting and Electric System Undergrounding, Foothill Boulevard to North City Limits) back to the Finance Committee for further review at its meeting of March 14, 2011. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

**CONSENT ITEM
DISCUSSED SEPARATELY**

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO DRAFT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TRUCK ROUTE ORDINANCE, SECTION 10.52 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the proposed code amendment is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines in Section 15301(c), existing facilities, of the California Code of Regulations Title 14, Chapter 3. This exemption includes minor alterations involving negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing;
- (2) Approve the designation of Sierra Madre Boulevard between the Foothill Freeway and South City Limit as a truck route; and
- (3) Direct the City Attorney's Office to draft an ordinance amending Section 10.52 of the Pasadena Municipal Code to add Sierra Madre Boulevard between the Foothill Freeway and South City Limit as a truck route.

Recommendation of Transportation Advisory Commission:

On June 10, 2010, the Transportation Advisory Commission recommended that the City Council support staff's recommendation of making Sierra Madre Boulevard a truck route.

The following persons spoke in support of the proposed truck route:

Victor Kaleta, South Allen Neighborhood Association Liaison, submitted a written statement of support.
John Reeder, Pasadena resident

Vice Mayor Gordo expressed concerns regarding Lincoln Avenue Post Office truck traffic that is negatively impacting the neighborhood at Fair Oaks Avenue and Peoria Street. He suggested staff review all truck routes in the City to determine whether mitigation measures should be provided for neighborhoods that are being negatively impacted by truck traffic in residential areas, and report back to the City Council at a future date.

It was moved by Councilmember Tornek, seconded by Councilmember Haderlein, to approve the staff recommendation, with staff to clarify the distinction between the neighborhood area north of the Foothill Freeway vs. the proposed truck route area south of the Foothill Freeway, when the draft ordinance returns to the City Council. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

ANNOUNCEMENT

The City Manager introduced Vince Bertoni, the new Director of the Planning Department.

PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING: TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PRESENT LEVEL 1 WATER SHORTAGE PLAN (PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 13.10.040) AND TEMPORARY IMPLEMENTATION OF A LEVEL 4 WATER SHORTAGE PLAN (PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 13.10.052) PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 13.10 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE IN PREPARATION OF PLANNED SHUTDOWN OF IMPORTED WATER

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council, after a public hearing:

- (1) Find that the determination of a water supply shortage and implementation of a Level 4 Water Shortage Plan (Pasadena Municipal Code (PMC) Section 13.10.052) is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15307, actions by regulatory agencies for the protection of natural resources;
- (2) Pursuant to PMC Section 13.10.035, determine that the planned shutdown of imported water supplies from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) from March 18 through March 27, 2011, constitutes a water supply shortage emergency condition;
- (3) Determine that the Level 4 Water Shortage Plan (PMC Section 13.10.052) water conservation measures are appropriate to address the water supply shortage emergency and shall remain in effect for the full duration of the

MWD shutdown and resumption of imported water supplies from MWD;

(4) Temporarily suspend the current Level 1 Water Shortage Plan (PMC Section 13.10.040) water conservation measures effective seven days before and after the Level 4 Water Shortage Plan (PMC Section 13.10.052); and

(5) Adopt the Proclamation to implement the above recommendations. (Proclamation No. 2011-1)

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported the notice of public hearing was published on February 14, 2011 in the Pasadena Star-News; and no correspondence was received.

Eric Klinkner, Assistant General Manager, introduced the agenda item, and responded to questions.

Michele Carina, Principal Engineer, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

No one appeared for public comment.

It was moved by Councilmember Tornek, seconded by Councilmember McAustin, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

It was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Councilmember Tornek, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

CONSIDERATION OF CALL FOR REVIEW OF A HEARING OFFICER DECISION TO THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS REGARDING HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 5481 FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1493 SCENIC DRIVE (Councilmember Madison)

Councilmember Madison described the neighborhood support for the project, and stated his reasons for calling this matter for review.

Councilmember Tornek questioned the need for Council to intervene in this matter, since the applicant had filed an appeal.

Steve Mermell, Assistant City Manager, responded to questions regarding the appeal process.

It was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Holden, to call this matter for review to the Board of Zoning Appeals. (Motion carried, with Councilmember Tornek objecting) (Absent: None)

RESIGNATION OF ELIZABETH WOODS FROM THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (District 7 Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF ALEX AGHAJANIAN TO THE ROSE BOWL OPERATING COMPANY BOARD (Tournament of Roses Nomination)

It was moved by Councilmember Tornek, seconded by Councilmember Haderlein, to accept the above resignation with regrets and approve the above appointment. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

ORDINANCE – ADOPTED

Adopt “AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR POLICE TOWING TO A-CAR AUTO” (Introduced by Councilmember McAustin) (Ordinance No. 7206)

The above ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

INFORMATION ITEM

UPDATE ON THE ROSE BOWL LOOP IMPROVEMENTS

Recommendation: This is an informational report regarding the status of the Rose Bowl Loop Improvements.

Recommendation of Transportation Advisory Commission and Recreation and Parks Commission: The Rose Bowl Loop Improvements Status Update and the Peer Review discussed in the agenda report were presented to the Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC) at its regular meeting of October 28, 2010, and to the Recreation and Parks Commission (RPC) at its special meeting of November 16, 2010. Both commissions voiced strong support for the implemented enhancements around the Rose Bowl Loop. The TAC members would like to see some of the large pavement areas near the improved intersections turned into landscaped zones, as funding becomes available and if such changes will not interfere with Special Event operations. The RPC members echoed TAC's suggestion, and also suggested that staff carry on the positive lessons learned from the Rose Bowl Loop Improvements to other pedestrian and bicycle facility planning efforts around the City.

Fred Dock, Director of Transportation Department, introduced the agenda item, and responded to questions.

Bahman Janka, Transportation Administrator, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, indicated that the next update would occur in one year, and responded to questions.

Councilmember Madison noted that he had received complaints regarding the removal of handicapped parking spaces in front of the Brookside clubhouse area.

Mr. Janka indicated he would follow up with Brookside staff regarding the increased number of handicapped parking spaces that were to have been designated in the parking lot area, and that improved signage for the loading zone will be installed.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Gordo, seconded by Councilmember Robinson, to receive and file the report. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

ANNOUNCEMENT

The City Clerk reminded the public that the City/Pasadena Unified School District election date is March 8, 2011, with polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., early voting available at City Hall, and ballots to be counted at the Convention Center.

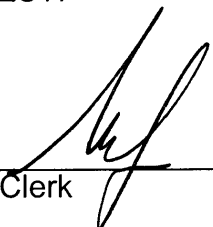
ADJOURNMENT

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 10:30 p.m., in memory of Leonard Marangi, managing partner at the law offices of Hahn and Hahn and active in professional and philanthropic activities, including service as a Trustee of the Huntington Memorial Hospital, service to the Tournament of Roses, and Past President of the Pasadena Bar Association.



Bill Bogaard, Mayor
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:



City Clerk