

CITY OF PASADENA  
City Council Minutes  
March 17, 2014 – 5:30 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

**OPENING:**

Mayor Bogaard called the regular meeting to order at 5:40p.m. (Absent: None)

On the order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 5:40 p.m. to discuss the following closed sessions:

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6**

**Agency Designated Representatives: Kristi Recchia and Michael J. Beck**

**Employee Organizations: Pasadena Firefighters Association (PFFA) Local 809, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local 858, and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 18**

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

**Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) (one potential case)**

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL regarding pending litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)**

**Name of Case: Coalition for Preservation of the Arroyo v. City of Pasadena**

**LASC Case No.: BS141038**

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

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 7:24p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Tornek.

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard  
Vice Mayor Jacque Robinson  
Councilmember Victor Gordo  
Councilmember John J. Kennedy

Councilmember Steve Madison  
Councilmember Gene Masuda  
Councilmember Margaret McAustin  
Councilmember Terry Tornek

Staff:

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

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

No one appeared for public comment.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A SERVICES CONTRACT WITH IMPEX TECHNOLOGIES, INC., TO PERFORM REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS, SYSTEMS PREPARATION AND DEPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR UP TO 500 CITY DESKTOP COMPUTERS**

**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 services contract with IMPEX Technologies, Inc., to perform requirements analysis, systems preparation and computer deployment services for up to 500 City computers in an amount not to exceed \$113,211. Competitive bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Article X, Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services. (Contract No. 21,758)

**REJECTION OF THE SINGLE BID RECEIVED TO FURNISH AND DELIVER AN INTERNET PROTOCOL VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT**

**Recommendation:**

- (1) Find that this action is exempt from environmental review pursuant to the guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") Section 15301 (Existing Facilities); and
- (2) Reject the single bid received on January 23, 2014, in response to the Notice to furnish and deliver an Internet Protocol Video Surveillance System for the Water and Power Department

**CONTRACT AWARD TO MERCHANTS LANDSCAPE SERVICES, INC., FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE SERVICE IN AREA I FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$383,764, TO VALLEYCREST LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE**

**SERVICE IN AREA II FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$433,224, AND REJECT ALL BIDS FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE SERVICE IN AREA III**

**Recommendation:**

(1) Acknowledge the project (Contracts for Landscape Maintenance) to be categorically exempt under Section 21084(a) of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1984 in accordance with Article 19, Section 15301 (Class 1), Subsection (h) of the Guidelines (maintenance of existing landscaping) and authorize the City Clerk to file a Notice of Exemption for the project with the Los Angeles County Clerk.

(2) Accept the bid dated February 26, 2014, submitted by Merchants Landscape Services, Inc., in response to the Notice Inviting Bids for the Landscape Maintenance Service in Area I, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required for an amount not to exceed \$383,764 over a three-year period. This contract will have an option of two one-year terms not to exceed \$127,921 per year, renewable at the discretion of the City Manager, for a total contract length of five years.

(3) Accept the bid dated February 26, 2014, submitted by ValleyCrest Landscape Maintenance, in response to the Notice Inviting Bids for the Landscape Maintenance Service in Area II, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required for an amount not to exceed \$433,224 over a three-year period. This contract will have an option of two one-year terms not to exceed \$144,408 per year, renewable at the discretion of the City Manager, for a total contract length of five years.

(4) Reject all bids dated February 26, 2014 in response to the Notice Inviting Bids for the Landscape Maintenance Service in Area III. (Contract No. 21,759 and 21,760)

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT WITH RL ENTERPRISE CONSULTING, INC., TO PROVIDE PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING PROJECT**

**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);

(2) Find that the proposed contract is exempt from competitive selection pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049; "best interests served by direct award"; and

(3) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchase order contract with RL Enterprise Consulting, Inc., to provide project management services for the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) project in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for a one-year period commencing the date the contract is

fully executed with three optional one-year extensions for an amount not-to-exceed \$150,000 each, subject to approval by the City Manager without further Council consideration. Competitive bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), Contracts for professional or unique services.

**APPROVAL OF INCREASE TO PURCHASE ORDER 55571 WITH MARTHA CRISTO, PH.D., FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES TO CREATE A NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM OF CARE**

**Recommendation:**

- (1) Authorize an increase to Purchase Order number 55571 with Martha Cristo, Ph.D., in the amount of \$37,001, thereby increasing the not to exceed amount from \$74,999 to \$112,000 for consultant services to create a needs assessment and strategic plan for the development of a mental health system of care; and
- (2) Grant the proposed increase 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 CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO PROVIDE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TO THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO**

**Recommendation:**

- (1) Find that the proposed agreement is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3);
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with the City of Montebello to provide radio communications services for a three-year period covering July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$120,000 annually, resulting in up to \$360,000 in revenue for the first three years;
- (3) Authorize the City Manager to extend the contract for two (2) additional one-year periods, each for an amount not-to-exceed \$120,000 without further City Council consideration; and
- (4) Find that the proposed agreement is exempt from competitive bidding and selection requirements pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(h), and Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(A)(3), contracts with other governmental entities. (Contract No. 21,761)

Councilmember Gordo left the dais at 7:29 P.M.

**APPOINTMENT OF NICHELLE HOLLIDAY TO THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (District 3 Nomination)**

MINUTES APPROVED

February 24, 2014  
March 3, 2014

CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

Claim No. 12,124	Miriam Sandoval	\$ 19,076.09
Claim No. 12,125	Aurora Solis	971,20
Claim No. 12,126	Rita Gail Turner	6,184.29
Claim No. 12,127	James D. Watt	10,000.00+
Claim No. 12,128	Calvin Chan	25,000.00+
Claim No. 12,129	Zaw Maung (Kevin)	Not Stated
Claim No. 12,130	Gieco as subrogee for Tinishia Thomas	10,000.00+
Claim No. 12,131	Acclaim Resource Partners on behalf of Barbara Avouac	1,912.52

PUBLIC HEARINGS SET

**April 28, 2014, 7:00 p.m.** – Fiscal Year 2015 – 2019 Capital Improvement Program Budget

**May 12, 2014, 7:00 p.m.** – Amendment to the General Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2015

**May 12, 2014, 7:00 p.m.** – Fiscal Year 2015 Schedule of Taxes, Fees, and Charges

**May 12, 2014, 7:00 p.m.** – Fiscal Year 2015 Recommended Operating Budget

Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to approve the Consent Calendar. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Gordo)

Councilmember Kennedy introduced Commissioner Nichelle Holliday, and provided information on her professional and educational background.

**REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Councilmember Gordo returned at 7:32 P.M.

**AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO AMEND THE POWER SALES AGREEMENTS WITH THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY FOR THE PURCHASE OF SOLAR ENERGY FROM THE SILVERADO PROJECTS**

- (1) Find that the recommended contract amendment authorization is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) (General Rule); and
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to amend the Power Sales Agreements with Southern California Public Power Authority (“SCPPA”) for the purchase of renewable energy and capacity

from a 32.5% share of the Antelope Big Sky Ranch Solar Project and the Summer Solar Project ("Silverado Projects") in Lancaster, California, for a total of up to 13 MW for a term of 25 years after the commercial operation date. Neither competitive bidding nor competitive selection is required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(h), and Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(A)(3), contracts with other governmental entities. (Contract No. 21,263-1 and 21,282-1)

Councilmember McAustin, Chair of the Municipal Services Committee, introduced the item and stated the Committee's support for the staff's recommendations.

Phyllis Currie, General Manager of Water and Power, summarized the agenda report, and responded to questions.

Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Councilmember Kennedy, to approve staff's recommendations. (Motion unanimously carried)  
(Absent: None)

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **PUBLIC HEARING: SUBMISSION OF PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY FIVE-YEAR PLAN (2014 – 2019) AND ANNUAL PLAN (2014) TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)**

#### **Recommendation:**

- (1) Find that the action proposed in the agenda report is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) as it will not have a potentially significant environmental effect and, therefore, falls under the "general rule" exemption; and
- (2) Approve the City's Public Housing Five-Year Plan (2014 – 2019) and the Annual Plan (2014) and authorize the City Manager to execute any and all documents regarding its submission to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported the notice of public hearing was published on January 30, 2014 in the Pasadena Weekly. No correspondence was received by the City Clerk's office regarding the agenda item.

Councilmember Gordo, Chair of the Economic Development and Technology Committee, introduced the item and stated the Committee's support for the staff's recommendations.

William Huang, Director of Housing, summarized the agenda report as part of the PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions

Ann Brazil, Pasadena resident, provided information on the challenges associated with housing for individuals with special needs, and urged for broader dissemination of information regarding available assistance for the disabled.

It was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

Councilmember Kennedy requested that City staff contract with local non-profit entities to assist in disseminating information regarding available City services.

Councilmember Masuda asked staff to provide information on the percentage of City housing funds that are utilized for services to the special needs population.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson, to approve staff recommendations. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

**PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF THE HOUSE AT 760 SOUTH ARROYO BOULEVARD AS A LANDMARK**

**Recommendation:**

- (1) Find that the designation of a historic resource is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Guidelines Section 15308: Class 8 – Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment;
- (2) Find that the house at 760 South Arroyo Boulevard is significant under Criterion “C” for designation as a landmark (Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040) because it is an intact example of 1920’s-era French Provincial style residential architecture designed by architects Witmer & Watson;
- (3) Approve the designation of the house at 760 South Arroyo Boulevard as a landmark;
- (4) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 760 South Arroyo Boulevard, Pasadena, California;
- (5) Authorize the Mayor to execute a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 760 South Arroyo Boulevard, Pasadena, California; and
- (6) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder. (Resolution No. 9337)

**Historic Preservation Commission Recommendation:** On Monday, December 16, 2013, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the City Council approve the designation of the house at 760 South Arroyo Boulevard as a landmark under Criterion C of PMC Section 17.62.040. The Commission also requested that staff further research the construction date of site features, particularly freestanding pilasters and gates in the front yard area, to determine whether they are historical features that contribute to the landmark designation of the house.

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 17 copies of the notice of public hearing were posted and 58 copies of the notice were mailed on February 28, 2014; and the City Clerk's office received 1 correspondence in support of the proposed landmark designation.

Kevin Johnson, Senior Planner, reviewed the agenda report as part of the PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

Jesse Lattig, Pasadena Heritage, spoke in favor of the designation of the house located at 760 S. Arroyo Blvd. as a Landmark.

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

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

ITEM WITHDRAWN

**PUBLIC HEARING: APPEAL OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION DECISION: CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - FRONT DOOR REPLACEMENT AT 1091 ELIZABETH STREET**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council cancel the public hearing at the request of the appellant who has withdrawn the appeal of the Historic Preservation Commission decision.

On order of the Mayor, and by consensus of the City Council, the public hearing was cancelled at the request of the appellant.



**INFORMATION ITEM**

**PREDEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW OF PROJECT LOCATED AT 78 NORTH MARENGO AVENUE (JULIA MORGAN BUILDING/KIMPTON HOTEL)**

**Recommendation:** This report is intended to provide information to the City Council, no action is required.

Michael Beck, City Manager, introduced the item and provided a summary of the building acquisition, and the Request for Proposal and lease processes, and responded to questions.

Vince Bertoni, Director of Planning and Community Development, and Kevin Johnson, Senior Planner, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

The following individuals provided comments on the proposed project:

Rachel Torres, Unite Here Local 11, asked the City Council to consider a Labor Peace Agreement as a requirement for hotel operations for the proposed project.

Ann Scheid, Pasadena resident, expressed concerns regarding the proposed loss of the open space/park area on Garfield Avenue portion of the property, if the project proceeds as presented.

Susan Mossman, Pasadena heritage, spoke in favor of the proposed project, but cautioned on increasing the number of hotel rooms from the original proposal.

Councilmember Tornek suggested that staff carefully consider any requested changes to the setback lines and/or height of the proposed project, noting the importance of protecting the park space and maintaining the prominence of City Hall in relation to the proposed development.

Vice Mayor Robinson suggested that staff carefully consider the different locations for the loading zone area, and stated her strong preference for the developer to utilize local hiring as part of any future project.

The Mayor suggested that overall density considerations be consistent with the parameters identified in the Request for Proposals and that the height of the proposed project be respectful in its massing when compared to City Hall. He asked staff to research planning documents to confirm the height limits of building structures adjacent to City Hall.

Councilmember Madison was excused at 9:03 P.M.

Members of the City Council suggested that staff consider a discussion with the developers regarding the feasibility of a Labor Peace Agreement as the project development proceeds.

Councilmember Gordo requested height information for the surrounding buildings adjacent to City Hall and the proposed project, including the County Courthouse building. He also suggested that, in the event the proposed project's Environment Impact Report (EIR) is legally challenged, the City explore options for indemnifying the City in the EIR to avoid any liability.

On order of the Mayor, and consensus of the City Council, the report was received and filed

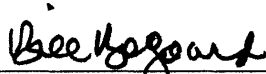
**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

In response to Councilmember Kennedy's questions regarding the minutes of the joint meeting with the City Council and the Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) Board, the City Clerk confirmed that the minutes will be sent to PUSD for approval, having now been approved by the City Council, and that an email providing a listing of informational requests from the Board of Education and City Council has already been e-mailed to PUSD and City staff for follow-up.

The City Clerk announced that a special City Council joint meeting with Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich is scheduled for Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.

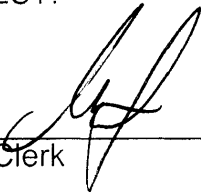
**ADJOURNMENT**

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 9:17 p.m.



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Bill Bogaard, Mayor  
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:



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City Clerk