

CITY OF PASADENA  
City Council Minutes  
March 30, 2015 – 5:30 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

**OPENING:**

Vice Mayor Robinson called the regular meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. (Absent: Councilmember Gordo and Mayor Bogaard)

On the order of Vice Mayor Robinson, the regular meeting recessed at 5:35 p.m., to discuss the following closed sessions:

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

**Property Location: 64 North Mar Vista Avenue, No. 104, Pasadena, California**

**Agency Negotiators: Michael J. Beck and Steve Mermell**

**Negotiating Party: Rachel Nehdar**

**Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment**

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

**Property Location: 64 North Mar Vista Avenue, No. 111, Pasadena, California**

**Agency Negotiators: Michael J. Beck and Steve Mermell**

**Negotiating Party: Karl Hallie, Jr.**

**Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment**

**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 Police Officers Association (PPOA), Pasadena Police Sergeants Association (PPSA), and Non-Represented Management**

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

On order of the Vice Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 6:53 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was led by Sergeant Bobby Crees.

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilmembers:

Mayor Bill Bogaard (Absent)  
Vice Mayor Jacque Robinson  
Councilmember Victor Gordo  
Councilmember John J. Kennedy  
Councilmember Margaret McAustin  
Councilmember Steve Madison  
Councilmember Gene Masuda  
Councilmember Terry Tornek

Staff:

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

**CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

Vice Mayor Robinson, in recognition of the centennial anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, presented a proclamation declaring the month of April 2015 as "Remembrance of the Armenian Genocide", which was received by Armenian National Committee/Pasadena Chapter Board members: Shoghig Yepremian, Donig Donabedian, and Vahe Manjarian, who thanked the City Council for their support, and reported on the upcoming unveiling of the Armenian Genocide Memorial on April 18, 2015, at Memorial Park.

The Vice Mayor presented a proclamation declaring the Week of April 6, 2015 as "Public Health Week" in Pasadena. Steve Mermell, Acting Director of Public Health, and Ying Ying Goh, Public Health Officer, received the proclamation with gratitude to the City Council, Public Health Department staff, and partner organizations.

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

Veronica Burris, representing Pasadena Police Officers Association (PPOA) and Pasadena Police Sergeants Association (PPSA), spoke regarding several personnel matters related to the Pasadena Police Department's staffing levels and compensation and the need to retain high quality Police Officers, and asked that the City quickly resolve the issues.

Vice Mayor Robinson and Councilmember Madison thanked the members of the PPOA and PPSA present for voicing their concerns, and noted that the City Council values their work and is working diligently with the appropriate staff to address the matter.

The following persons expressed concerns regarding the lack of transparency as it relates to the Office of Independent Review's (OIR) report regarding the officer involved shooting of Kendrec McDade, and expressed concerns regarding oversight of the City's Police Department and its policies:

Michelle White, Pasadena resident, submitted material  
Elliot Gold, Pasadena resident  
Tamara Haywood, Pasadena resident  
Vance Martin, Altadena resident  
Pat White, Pasadena resident  
Dale Gronemeier, Gronemeier & Associates  
Kris Ockershauser, Pasadena resident  
Gary Moody, Pasadena resident  
Barbara West (submitted written material only)  
Elbie Hickambottom, Jr., Eagle Rock resident  
Rose Mary Elizondo, Baldwin Park resident  
Latina White, Residence unknown

Hermína Ortiz, Pasadena resident, expressed appreciation to the Pasadena Police Department for conducting the Citizens Police Academy in Spanish, and urged the City to hire additional police officers and increase compensation for current police officers.

Bob Reiter, Pasadena resident, spoke regarding the Pasadena Police Department, praised the officers for their hard work, and strongly recommended that there be adequate funding to compensate police officers.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO. 20,717 WITH PLACEWORKS (FORMALLY KNOWN AS THE PLANNING CENTER/DC&E), TO INCREASE THE TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT BY \$86,000 FROM \$738,722 TO \$824,722 FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES RELATED TO THE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE**

**Recommendation:**

- (1) Authorize the City Manager to amend Contract No. 20,717 with Placeworks (formally known as The Planning Center/DC&E), to increase the existing contract amount by \$86,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$824,722 for professional consultant services related to the adoption of the General Plan Update and certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR); and
- (2) Extend the term of contract to December 31, 2016. (Contract No. 20,717-3)

**Item discussed separately**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATES (ESA), FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$432,033 TO PROVIDE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR ADDITIONAL DISPLACEMENT EVENTS (MUSIC FESTIVAL) WITHIN THE ROSE BOWL AREA OF THE ARROYO SECO PUBLIC LANDS**

**LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE: AMENDMENT OF 2015 STATE LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM**

**Recommendation:**

- (1) Find that the proposed action is categorically 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; and
- (2) Amend the 2015 state legislative platform to include support for legislation which will increase immunization rates, particularly in regard to children.

**RESIGNATION OF ROBERTO MORENO FROM THE DESIGN COMMISSION (Mayor Nomination/District 6)**

MINUTES APPROVED

January 5, 2015

CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

Claim No. 12,377 Arthur Coleman \$ 25,000.00+  
Claim No. 12,378 Law Office of Carol D. Kellogg 25,000.00+  
representing Dora Guerra  
Claim No. 12,379 Allstate Insurance Company 1,026.59  
as subrogee for Edward Serrano

PUBLIC HEARING SET

**May 11, 2015, 7:00 p.m.** – Fiscal Year 2016 General Fee Schedule

**May 11, 2015, 7:00 p.m.** – Fiscal Year 2016 Schedule of Taxes, Fees, and Charges

**May 18, 2015, 7:00 p.m.** – Fiscal Year 2016 Recommended Operating Budget

It was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Councilmember Masuda, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item 3 (Authorization to Enter into a Contract with Environmental Science Associates (ESA), for an amount not-to-exceed \$432,033 to Provide Environmental Consulting Services), which was discussed separately. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Mayor Bogaard)

**CONSENT ITEM**  
**DISCUSSED SEPARATELY**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATES (ESA), FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$432,033 TO PROVIDE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR ADDITIONAL DISPLACEMENT EVENTS (MUSIC FESTIVAL) WITHIN THE ROSE BOWL AREA OF THE ARROYO SECO PUBLIC LANDS**

**Recommendation:**

- (1) Find that the proposed actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), general rule; and
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Environmental Science Associates, for an amount not-to-exceed \$432,033 for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for additional displacement events within the Rose Bowl area of the Arroyo Seco Public Lands. Competitive bidding is not required, pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional services. (Contract No. 22,216)

Vince Bertoni, Director of Planning and Community Development, introduced the agenda item, and David Reyes, Deputy Director of Planning and Community Development, summarized the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

Councilmember Kennedy expressed concerns regarding efforts to contract with local qualified firms desiring to do business with the City, requested that future agenda reports include information on the selection process, specifically detailing staff's evaluation and selection methodology, and reminded staff to include information as to whether the selected firm/contractor has an existing contract with the City and/or a prior contract.

Wes Reuterman, Rethinking Alcohol and other Drugs Prevention Coalition – San Gabriel Valley (RAD-SGV), spoke regarding efforts to improve public health and safety at large displacement events at the Rose Bowl. In response to Councilmember Gordo, Mr. Reuterman stated that he will provide the City with two years of data that was conducted in conjunction with the Los Angeles County Health Department.

Councilmember Gordo noted for the record that alcohol is not sold at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) games held at the Rose Bowl.

In response to Councilmember Kennedy, Vice Mayor Robinson indicated that the Economic Development and Technology Committee would be the appropriate Committee to discuss his requests and concerns pertaining to local hire initiatives, with staff to follow-up on his questions, including the potential impacts for increasing point values for the category that applies to local vendors during Request for Proposal evaluations.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Mayor Bogaard)

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Councilmember Madison was excused at 8:03 p.m., and left the dais.

### **PUBLIC HEARING: EXTENSION OF INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 7256 OF THE CITY OF PASADENA TEMPORARILY LIMITING DEMOLITION AND CONSTRUCTION IN THE LOWER HASTINGS RANCH NEIGHBORHOOD**

#### **Recommendation:**

- (1) Find that the proposed extension is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15262, because the interim ordinance does not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment, and because the project involves only feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions which the City has not approved, adopted, or funded, and does not involve adoption of a plan that will have a legally binding effect on later activities;
- (2) Find that there is a current and immediate threat to public health, safety, and welfare, pursuant to the standards and polices set forth in the General Plan, in that the proposed interim ordinance is necessary to preserve the established and potentially historic neighborhood character of the Neighborhood Overlay District, and that there has been a change in circumstances since the adoption of interim urgency Ordinance No. 6380, as discussed in Ordinance No. 7256, in that the homes in the Neighborhood Overlay District not only contribute to a consistent neighborhood character, but may also be eligible for designation for historic significance; and
- (3) Adopt an urgency ordinance extending Ordinance No. 7256 to March 4, 2016.

The Vice Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported the notice of public hearing was published on March 19, 2015 in the Pasadena Journal; March 20 and 23, 2015 in the Pasadena Star News; and no correspondence was received.

The Vice Mayor introduced the agenda item, and Arthi Varma, Principal Planner, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

James Brennan, Lower Hastings Ranch Association (LHRA), spoke in support for the proposed action.

It was moved by Councilmember Masuda, seconded by Councilmember McAustin, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Madison and Mayor Bogaard)

It was moved by Councilmember Masuda, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Madison and Mayor Bogaard)

**ORDINANCE – FIRST READING**

Councilmember Madison returned at 8:08 p.m.

**Conduct first reading of “AN EXTENSION OF THE INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA TEMPORARILY LIMITING SINGLE FAMILY HOME DEMOLITION AND CONSTRUCTION IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY DISTRICT IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE POTENTIAL HISTORIC CHARACTER OF THE LOWER HASTINGS RANCH NEIGHBORHOOD”**

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

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Madison, Masuda, McAustin, Tornek, Vice Mayor Robinson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor Bogaard

**ORDINANCE – ADOPTED**

**Adopt “AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA GRANTING ASSIGNMENT OF A NON-EXCLUSIVE SOLID WASTE FRANCHISE FROM CROWN DISPOSAL COMPANY TO RECOLOGY LOS ANGELES AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 7222”** (Introduced by Councilmember McAustin) (Ordinance No. 7258)

The above ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Madison, Masuda, McAustin, Tornek, Vice Mayor Robinson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor Bogaard

**PUBLIC HEARINGS (CONTINUED)**

**PUBLIC HEARING: PLANNED DEVELOPMENT 34 – 100 WEST WALNUT PLANNED DEVELOPMENT (LINCOLN/PARSONS)**

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

- (1) Adopt a resolution certifying the Final Environmental Impact Report (SCH No. 2013071018) adopting findings, and adopting the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program;
- (2) Adopt a resolution adopting a Statement of Overriding Considerations for the project;
- (3) Adopt the Land Use Findings (Attachment A of the agenda report) for a Zoning Map Amendment to change the

zoning of the site from CD-1 (Central District Specific Plan, Old Pasadena) to Planned Development;

(4) Adopt the Land Use Findings (Attachment A of the agenda report) establishing Planned Development 34 – 100 West Walnut Planned Development with the Conditions of Approval in Attachment B of the agenda report;

(5) Adopt the Findings (Attachment A of the agenda report) to approve a Development Agreement for the project;

(6) Conduct first reading of an ordinance for a Zoning Map Amendment to change the zoning of the site from CD-1 (Central District Specific Plan, Old Pasadena) to Planned Development 34 – 100 West Walnut Planned Development;

(7) Conduct first reading of an ordinance to approve a Development Agreement for the project; and

(8) Direct the City Clerk to file a Notice of Determination before Friday, April 3, 2015.

**Recommendation of Planning Commission:** On February 25, 2015, the Planning Commission held a public hearing, and recommended to certify the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), adopt the Findings for the Zoning Map Amendment, adopt the Conditions of Approval for the Planned Development, and approve the Development Agreement for the project located at 100 West Walnut Avenue by unanimous (8-0) vote.

The Planning Commission conducted public hearings on January 14, 2015 and February 25, 2015. At the January 14, 2015 Planning Commission meeting, the Planning Commission received a staff report, opened the public hearing, discussed the project, and continued the public hearing to its next meeting. Specifically, the Commission received information, and discussed the FEIR and proposed Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, the proposed Zone Change from CD-1 to PD 34, the Planned Development, and proposed Findings and Conditions of Approval. In addition, the Commission received two letters regarding the project, one from the Applicant, and one from the Downtown Pasadena Neighborhood Association. At the conclusion of the meeting, the Commission directed staff to review and analyze the letters, and continued the public hearing, pending completion of the proposed Development Agreement.

At the February 25, 2015 Planning Commission meeting, the Planning Commission received a staff report, and discussed the project further, focusing the discussion on the proposed Development Agreement and deal points. The motion to approve included four modifications to the project and the Development Agreement:

1) Elimination of Condition of Approval No. 68 at the request of the Department of Transportation,

2) Elimination of Section 10.1. of the Development Agreement committing the applicant to satisfy the City's

Inclusionary Housing requirement through payment of the in-lieu fee,

3) Specifying the length of the Development Agreement as a 15-year term with a 5-year option that is contingent upon the commencement of Phase 1 of the project, and

4) A clean-up of conflicting language regarding the Rose Bowl Event parking obligations.

The Vice Mayor opened the public hearing.

The City Clerk reported 28 copies of the notice of public hearing were posted on March 19, 2015; 89 copies of the notice of public hearing were mailed on March 14, 2015; and 5 letters (1 letter of support and 4 letters expressing concerns) were received by the City Clerk's Office regarding the recommended action.

Vince Bertoni, Director of Planning and Community Development, introduced the agenda item, and David Reyes, Deputy Director of Planning and Community Development, reviewed the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

Councilmember Madison commended the staff for their work, stated his support for the proposed project, and stressed the need for this type of economic development in the City.

Marcos Velayos, Park & Velayos, LLP, Tim Walker, Lincoln Property Company (applicant), and Paul Danna, Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP (Architect), provided a detailed overview of the proposed project, and highlighted the following three requested modifications to the proposed project: sidewalk widths along Fair Oaks Avenue be 10 feet as oppose to the conditions of approval requirement of 15 feet; the development agreement term be extended to 28 years (to coincide with the Rose Bowl parking obligation); and, to increase the parking allocation for Rose Bowl events on weekend/holidays from 3000 spaces to 3700 spaces at project build-out.

The following persons spoke in support for the proposed action:

Nina Chomsky, Linda Vista - Annandale Association

Darryl Dunn, Rose Bowl General Manager

Marsha Rood, Downtown Pasadena Neighborhood Association (DPNA)

Gene Buchanan, Old Pasadena Management District (OPMD)

Ron Miller, Executive Secretary for the Los Angeles/Orange Counties Building & Construction Trades Council

Marilyn Buchanan, Old Pasadena Management District (OPMD) (spoke on behalf of Steve Mulheim, OPMD President)

Councilmember McAustin and Gordo commented on the surplus parking spaces that the City is granting, and the importance for the City to be provided assurances that the applicant will be contributing surplus parking into the Old Pasadena Zoning Parking Credit program, preferably up to 50% or approximately 800 additional parking spaces.

Mr. Bertoni and Mr. Reyes indicated that the existing Zoning Parking Credit Program ordinance will need to be amended in order for requirements to be applicable to both public and privately held parking spaces, noting that the ordinance, as it is written today, creates an issue with respect to enforcement, and to include as part of the amendment an expansion of the parking zoning credit program geographic area, which will allow staff to work out an agreement with the developer for a more significant number of parking spaces to be included in the parking credit pool.

Following discussion, Councilmember Masuda expressed concern regarding the inclusionary housing requirement as it relates to the proposed project, specifically regarding the applicant satisfying the requirement through payment of the in-lieu fee.

Councilmember Kennedy thanked all the members of the community involved for their input/work on the proposed project, as well as the developer for his willingness to make certain modifications to the project, requested that the applicant consider a 15%-20% local hire/local contracting goal for the project in the development agreement, and host a local competition related to the \$500,000 public art element to the project.

In response to Councilmember Kennedy, Mr. Velayos, noted that the applicant is willing to agree to a local hire/local contracting goal in the 15%-20% range, including establishing a community involvement program with the Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) and Pasadena Community College (PCC) to introduce students to the real estate profession, agreed to host a competition related to the \$500,000 public art element to the project.

Following discussion, Councilmember Kennedy stated his support for the applicant's three requested modifications to the proposed project.

Councilmember Gordo stressed the importance for a Community Benefits Agreement, and encouraged the applicant to have discussions with the appropriate groups regarding a Community Benefits Agreement, as well as discussions with staff to resolve the issues related to parking.

Councilmember Kennedy disagreed with requiring that there be a "Community Benefit Agreement" for the proposed project, but instead suggested that the City elicit appropriate benefits, and stated that he supports the project moving forward with modifications related to local hiring/local contracting, and the developer clearly detailing to the City Council how the project will address affordable housing.

Following discussion, the Vice Mayor requested that the applicant commit to 20% as the goal for the project in terms of local hire/local contracting for the construction portion, and noted that her expectation is that the applicant will meet with the building trades, the City's local hire staff, Flintridge Center, and other appropriate organizations as a method to meet the stated goal.

Councilmember Tornek stated his support for the proposed project and the inclusion of a local hire/local contracting as a goal for construction portion of the project, but opposed introducing the idea of a Community Benefit Agreement at this point in the process. He also expressed reservations regarding the request from the applicant to extend the term of the development agreement to 28 years to be coterminous or coincide with the Rose Bowl parking obligation.

Following additional discussion, Mr. Velayos clarified that the applicant is committed to the proposed local hiring/local contracting goals but not a Community Benefit Agreement, and would be willing to have discussions with the trades and community organizations as the project moves forward.

Councilmember Gordo suggested that the item be continued to allow the staff and applicant to work together to resolve the issues involving parking and jobs, with the matter to return to the City Council at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Tornek, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Mayor Bogaard)

It was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Tornek, to approve the staff recommendation, amended to include 20% local hiring/local contracting as a goal for the project, with the applicant to work with staff to determine the appropriate number of parking spaces to be made part of

the zoning parking credit program and with the agreed-upon parking allocation to be considered by the City Council at a future meeting, affirm the 10-foot sidewalk width along Fair Oaks Avenue, and to incorporate in Section 5, Page 7, of the development agreement, the following language, “expressly including but not limited to the parking provisions in 10(h).

AYES: Councilmembers Kennedy, Masuda, McAustin,  
Tornek

NOES: Councilmembers Gordo and Madison

ABSENT: Mayor Bogaard

ABSTAIN: Vice Mayor Robinson

MOTION FAILED

Councilmember was excused at 11:37 p.m., and left the dais.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Councilmember Tornek, to reopen the public hearing and continue the item to April 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., with staff to work with the developer on the details regarding the labor and local hiring/local contracting issues discussed above, and the specifics of the zoning parking credit program. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Kennedy and Mayor Bogaard)

**ORDINANCE – FIRST  
READING  
(CONTINUED)**

**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 TO CHANGE THE DESIGNATION FOR THE AREA BOUNDED BY WEST WALNUT STREET, FAIR OAKS AVENUE, WEST UNION STREET, AND NORTH PASADENA AVENUE THAT COMPRISES THE 100 WEST WALNUT PLANNED DEVELOPMENT, AND AMENDING THE ZONING CODE (TITLE 17) TO CREATE PD-34 – 100 WEST WALNUT”**

The above item was not discussed.

**Conduct first reading of “AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND PPF OFF 100 WEST WALNUT, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, RELATED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MIXED-USE OFFICE CAMPUS AND RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY IN THE AREA BOUNDED BY WEST WALNUT STREET, FAIR OAKS AVENUE, WEST UNION STREET AND NORTH PASADENA AVENUE”**

The above item was not discussed.

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE REPORT UPDATE**

ITEM DEFERRED

**Recommendation:** The report provides an update regarding staff efforts to advance the recommendations of the 2012 Economic Development Strategic Plan and the 2012 Economic Development Task Force Report. This is for information only, no City Council action is required.

By consensus and on order of the Mayor, the above item was deferred to a future meeting.

**INFORMATION ITEM**

**PREDEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW OF POLYTECHNIC SCHOOL MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

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

Vince Bertoni, Director of Planning and Community Development, introduced the agenda item, and Laura Dahl, Senior Planner, summarized the agenda report as part of a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

The following persons spoke in opposition to the Polytechnic School Master Development Plan:

Christopher Patton, Pasadena resident  
Christle Balvin, Mentor, Catalina, Dale, Cornell  
Neighborhood Association

Councilmember Tornek volunteered to facilitate a meeting with Polytechnic School, the Board, and neighbors to discuss some of the issues regarding the proposed master plan.

John Bracker, Head of School at Polytechnic School, spoke briefly on behalf of the School, commented on the concerns expressed by neighbors, and stated that the School intends to work with the City and neighbors to find ways to make the plan work, specifically as it relates to traffic congestion.

Following discussion, by consensus and on order of the Mayor, the report was received and filed.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Madison reminded everyone that the next scheduled meeting will be held on April 13, 2015 at the Pasadena Center regarding the State Route 710 (SR-710) North Study, with information to be distributed by the City regarding the both the April 13, 2015 meeting, as well as information regarding the scheduled meetings with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority (METRO) on the SR-710 North Study.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

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Terry Tornek, Mayor  
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:

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City Clerk