

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA  
CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
5:30 P.M.  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
6:00 P.M.  
FEBRUARY 13, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor McLean called to order the special meeting of the City Council at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

All Councilmembers were present.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was none.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Carl Newton, City Attorney, advised of the need to conduct a Closed Session for the purpose of holding a:

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PENDING LITIGATION**

Government Code Section 54956.9 (a)

**Case Name:** People & City of Santa Clarita v. Charles & Laura Von Der Ahe  
Los Angeles Superior Case No. PC036780

**Case Name:** People & City of Santa Clarita v. Erasmo & Nora Dominguez  
Los Angeles Superior Case No. PC038271

**Case Name:** People & City of Santa Clarita v. Thomas Toombs  
Los Angeles Superior Case No. PC040022

**Case Name:** People & City of Santa Clarita v. George Boskovich, et. al.  
Los Angeles Superior Case No. PC040023

**RECESS AND RECONVENE**

Mayor McLean recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 5:31 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

**CITY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENT**

Carl Newton, City Attorney, announced that no action was taken in Closed Session that was required to be reported.

**ADJOURN**

Mayor McLean adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

### **CITY CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENT**

Sharon Dawson, City Clerk, announced that anyone wishing to address an item on the agenda should complete a speaker's slip and submit it to the City Clerk before the item is announced by the Mayor.

### **INVOCATION**

Mayor McLean gave the invocation.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor McLean called to order the regular meeting of the City Council at 6:30 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

All Councilmembers were present.

### **FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor McLean invited representatives of Boy Scout Troup 607 to lead the flag salute.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

Councilmember Boydston requested that an item be placed on the next agenda for discussion of the winter shelter and another item for discussion of a bill on the Federal level to allow subscribers to purchase only the cable and satellite channels they want. He also listed several specific questions that he would like answers to and information about when the hospital expansion is before the City Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Kellar discussed HR 563 which would grant a congressional pardon and vacate the convictions of 2 border patrol agents on drug smuggling charges and requested that this item be placed on the next agenda for Council to consider adopting a resolution in support of HR 563.

Councilmember Weste reported on her attendance at last night's community volunteer recognition dinner and the installation ceremony for the Castaic Chamber of Commerce. She also congratulated City Manager Ken Pulskamp on being named Newsmaker of the Year.

Councilmember Ferry congratulated City Manager Ken Pulskamp for receiving the League of CA Cities Diversity Award from his peers; gave kudos to staff involved with the transit maintenance facility for hosting guests from Paris, France who were here to learn about the facility's environmental features and design; encouraged staff to get the word out about the City's 20th anniversary activities; mentioned the Celebrity Waiter Dinner on Friday, February 23; and reiterated his concerns and beliefs with regard to medical marijuana dispensaries in the City.

Mayor McLean reported on the recent meeting of Los Angeles County Division of the League of CA Cities; her activities with a job shadow person on February 2; and her attendance at a recent North Corridor Cities meeting.

## **AWARDS/RECOGNITION TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY**

Mayor McLean and Councilmembers recognized Randy Winter, Downtown Main Street Assn; Brian Watts, Canyon Theatre Guild; Robert Griego, City of Santa Clarita Streets Maintenance Worker; and Detective Bob Schneider, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department; who have gone above and beyond in their efforts to eliminate graffiti.

Mayor McLean and Councilmembers presented certificates of recognition to Deputy Anthony Arnold for earning the Department's Meritorious Service Award and to Deputy Travis Kelly for earning the Sheriff's Commendation Award.

Mayor McLean and Councilmembers presented the League of CA Cities' Diversity award plaque to City Manager Ken Pulskamp for the City's many diversity programs.

## **PRESENTATIONS TO THE CITY**

Sheriff's Captain Anthony La Berge presented information on various law enforcement issues affecting our City.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

With regard to safety on Centre Point Parkway around Bowman High School, the following spoke: Christina Morgan, Lauren Rowles, Sean Johnson, Robin Geissler, Jaime Castellanos, and Gloria Mercado-Fortine. Also addressing the Council was Gene Dorio M. D. representing Smart Growth SCV regarding the hospital master plan and TCU; Steve Petzold regarding light pollution and inefficient lighting; Tony Natoli regarding issues on Benz Road; Scott Young regarding issues on Benz Road; and David Gauny representing Smart Growth SCV regarding the hospital expansion.

## **STAFF COMMENTS**

Ken Pulskamp, City Manager, advised that he would request traffic engineering staff to review the situation at Bowman High School and see what can be done; indicated that the hospital issue would be before the Council in the spring with all public noticing provided; acknowledged that the City is cognizant of ambient light pollution and strives to direct night lighting downward; noted that the City is working with the Benz Road neighborhood and the traffic counts as agreed; and advised that staff is currently reviewing the consultant contract for the hospital study.

Mr. Pulskamp also provided information on the Amgen Tour of California bicycle race coming to Santa Clarita on the weekend of February 24 and 25, 2007 and distributed cowbells to each Councilmember.

## **EXECUTIVE MEETING**

This time has been set aside for Councilmembers to review the agenda and obtain any further information that may be added.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Weste, second by Kellar, to approve the agenda.**

**Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion by Kellar, second by Weste, to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2007 special and regular City Council meetings as submitted.**

**Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.**

**RECESS TO SANTA CLARITA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

Mayor McLean recessed the meeting to the Redevelopment Agency meeting at 7:42 p.m.

**RECONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor McLean reconvened the meeting of the City Council at 7:48 p.m.

**ITEM 1**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**READING OF ORDINANCE TITLES**

Government Code Section 36934 requires that all ordinances be read in full prior to Council taking action on the ordinance. By listing the ordinance title on the Council meeting agenda, Council may determine that the title has been read. Determine that the titles to all ordinances which appear on this public agenda have been read and waive further reading.

**ITEM 2**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**FEDERAL ADVOCACY SERVICES: CONTRACT RENEWAL**

The City retains the professional services of John H. Montgomery and John R. O'Donnell for purposes of federal legislative advocacy. Mr. Montgomery and Mr. O'Donnell represent the City's interests regarding all federal matters, except for activities relating to the Soledad Canyon sand and gravel mining proposal. Their most recent contract ran concurrent with the 109th Session of Congress and expired on December 31, 2006. Authorize the City Manager or designee to renew the contract of John H. Montgomery and John R. O'Donnell for federal advocacy services in the amount of \$6,000 per month, plus up to \$5,000 annually for expense reimbursements, for the period January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008, subject to City Attorney approval. Funds for the continuation of the contract beyond June 30, 2007 are subject to the inclusion of funds in the City approved budget for FY 2007/08. Overall funding for federal legislative advocacy services has been budgeted in account 1210-8110 for FY 06/07.

**ITEM 3**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**AWARD OF AIR CONDITIONING MAINTENANCE CONTRACT**

Award of contract for heating and air conditioning maintenance for various City facilities. Award a heating and air conditioning (HVAC) maintenance contract to Honeywell Inc. in the amount of \$85,463.00, plus a 10 percent contingency of \$8,537.00 for an overall price not to exceed \$94,000.00 per year for an initial two-year period with options for 3 one-year renewals upon mutual consent. The funds have been budgeted in Fiscal Year 2006-2007 in Account Nos. 4801-8008, 4804-8008, and 4860-8008; authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

**ITEM 4**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**TRACT MAP NO. 67696 (CENTRE POINTE MARKETPLACE) - APPROVAL OF FINAL MAP AND ACCEPTANCE OF OFFERS OF DEDICATION**

Tract Map No. 67696, which is a resubdivision of Tract Map No. 42670, was found to be in substantial conformance with approved Tentative Tract Map No. 42670 and granted administrative approval by the City of Santa Clarita's Director of Community Development on April 26, 2006, per the Tentative Tract Map No. 42670 Development Agreement. Tract Map No. 67696, consisting of approximately 13.14 acres, is located south of Golden Triangle Road, west of Golden Valley Road, and is owned by Centre Pointe Marketplace, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company. Approve Tract Map No. 67696 (Centre Pointe Marketplace); accept on behalf of the public the offers of dedication; make certain findings; instruct the City Treasurer to endorse the Special Assessment Certificate; instruct the City Clerk to endorse the Certificate; and instruct the City Engineer to endorse the City Engineer's Statement.

**ITEM 5**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**AWARD CONTRACT FOR BID NUMBER PS-06-07-15 FOR SPECIAL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT ENGINEER SERVICES FOR FY 07-08**

Assessment Engineer services for Landscape Maintenance Districts, Drainage Benefit Assessment Areas, Streetlight Maintenance District, and Golden Valley Ranch Open Space Maintenance District. Award contract to Harris & Associates for the assessment engineer services for FY 07-08, including annual levies, annexations, and additional special projects for the Landscape Maintenance Districts, Drainage Benefit Assessment Areas, Streetlight Maintenance District, and Golden Valley Ranch Open Space Maintenance District. Authorize City Manager or designee to execute the contract, modify the award in the event that issues of impossibility of performance arise, and exercise renewal options, subject to City Attorney approval, for an amount not to exceed \$54,050. This amount represents the bid of \$47,000, plus a 15% or \$7,050 contingency. Sufficient funds exist in the FY 06-07 Special District Budgets to cover the cost of this contract.

**ITEM 6**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY INTO STREETLIGHT MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 1 (ANNEXATIONS L-77A AND L-83)**

Consideration of a resolution initiating the formation proceedings and assessments. Adopt **Resolution No. 07-9** to initiate the annexation and formation proceedings for two streetlight maintenance district annexations; approve the Engineer's Report and set the Public Hearing for April 10, 2007.

**ITEM 7**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**CHECK REGISTER NOS. 3 AND 4**

Approval of the Check Registers. Approve and ratify for payment the demands presented in Check Register Nos. 3 and 4.

**Motion by Weste, second by Ferry, to approve the Consent Calendar.**

**On roll call vote:**

**Ayes: Weste, Kellar, Boydston, Ferry, McLean**

**Noes: None**

**Absent: None**

**Motion carried.**

## **ITEM 8**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **AUTHORIZATION OF UP TO \$25,000 FOR ANNEXATION STUDY OF WEST SIDE**

In report, Kai Luoma, Senior Planner, advised that this item is for the consideration of allocation of funds for an annexation study.

Addressing the Council on this item was Tony Natoli and John Kunak.

Paul Brotzman, Director of Community Development, explained that the County's \$25,000 would pay for an initial feasibility study to examine whether incorporation of the westside communities is feasible and that the City's funding would determine if the revenue currently being generated in the area would provide the same level of service that other City residents currently receive should the westside communities annex.

**Motion by McLean, second by Ferry, to (1) direct staff to bring back at the next Council meeting a revised annexation policy that lowers the threshold it takes for the City to initiate the annexation process, including: (a) a reduction from 60% to a simple majority of residents who request annexation, and (b) at the request of 5% of residents of a community, the City will conduct a survey to determine if a majority of the residents support annexation; (2) authorize expenditure of up to \$25,000 toward an annexation study of the westside communities and authorize the City Manager to enter into a Letter of Agreement with the Town Council overseeing its preparation; (3) while the annexation study is being prepared, communities who have already begun discussion with the City regarding annexation will not be prevented from pursuing annexation; and (4) transfer \$25,000 from the Council Contingency Account # 2250-7401 to the Annexation Account # 3110-8003.**

**On roll call vote:**

**Ayes: Kellar, Boydston, Ferry, Weste, McLean**

**Noes: None**

**Absent: None**

**Motion carried.**

## **ITEM 9**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON'S 500 KV TRANSMISSION LINE**

Kai Luoma, Senior Planner, outlined the proposal and advised that on January 16, 2007, staff

met with the Council's Development Subcommittee. The Subcommittee suggested that staff should write a letter to each of the lead agencies citing the various violations.

Addressing the Council on this item was Laurence Chaset representing the California Public Utilities Commission.

**Motion by Ferry, second by Kellar, to direct staff to send letters to the California Public Utilities Commission and the United States Forest Service.**

**On roll call vote:**

**Ayes: Boydston, Ferry, Weste, Kellar, McLean**

**Noes: None**

**Absent: None**

**Motion carried.**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor McLean adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

#### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held Tuesday, February 27, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 1st floor of City Hall, 23920 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita, CA.

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**MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**CITY CLERK**

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