

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA  
CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
5:30 P.M.  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
6:00 P.M.  
MARCH 27, 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:** City of Santa Clarita, et al. v U.S. Department of Interior, et al. and Cemex  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, Appeals Case No. 06-55006  
(Consolidated with Case No. 06-55225)

**RECESS AND RECONVENE**

Mayor McLean recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 5:31 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:03 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 6:04 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**

Councilmember Ferry gave the invocation.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor McLean called to order the regular meeting of the City Council at 6:08 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

All Councilmembers were present.

## **FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor McLean invited representatives from Girl Scout Troop 153 to lead the flag salute.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

Councilmember Ferry reported on the recent Youth Summit; requested that staff look at the City's curfew ordinance and compare it with the State driving law as well as other cities for consistency; and suggested that high risk junior high school kids be identified earlier so that intervention can begin earlier.

Councilmember Weste commented on her attendance at the AT&T Golf Classic and the Master Chorale performance at College of the Canyons; and advised that the TCU committee would meet next week.

Mayor Pro Tem Kellar requested that direction be given to the City Manager to draw together the appropriate entities to recommend a course of action to deal with too many people living in residences throughout the City; read a letter to Representative Duncan Hunter from the entire Council with regard to HR 563 supporting the Congressional Pardon for Border Patrol Agents Ramos and Compean; and acknowledged the loss of Gary Alziebler who will be missed by many throughout the entire community.

**Council concurred to direct the City Manager to look into the issue of too many people living in residences throughout the City and to draw together the appropriate entities to recommend a legal and proper course of action.**

Councilmember Boydston congratulated College of the Canyons and Dianne Van Hook on the opening of the new Small Business Development Center in the Chamber of Commerce offices; provided additional questions for the Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Hospital and G&L Realty; and encouraged all to attend Bye Bye Birdie at the Canyon Theatre Guild.

Mayor McLean reported on the status of the Orange Line MagLev Authority; an artist reception at Barnes & Noble; Newhall Coffee Company providing 1 million cups of coffee to our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan; her upcoming meeting of the League of CA Cities Community Services Policy Committee; and the Emergency Expo and the many features to be available on April 21 at College of the Canyons.

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

There were none.

## **PRESENTATIONS TO THE CITY**

Mayor McLean introduced Carl Boyer, Vice President of the SCVIP, and Claudia Acosta, SCVIP Boardmember, who provided the Santa Clarita Valley International Program (SCVIP) Annual Update.

Mayor McLean invited Daniel Tempelis to make the presentation on behalf of the L.A. to Palmdale High Speed Rail Line Authority.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Addressing the Council at this time was Diane Brooks representing the US Tennis Association regarding the building of tennis courts at Central Park; Jeff Wilson regarding dog parks; David Honda representing the 51st District Agriculture Association regarding the Valley Fair at the Saugus Speedway; Millie Jones representing Supervisor Antonovich supporting the Valley Fair; Lawrence Leiter M.D. regarding the expansion of Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Hospital (HMNMH); Chand Khanna M.D. regarding the expansion of HMNMH; and Barbara Florentine M.D. regarding the expansion of HMNMH.

### **STAFF COMMENTS**

Ken Pulskamp, City Manager, advised that staff would entertain a proposal from the US Tennis Association and see if the City can move forward; advised that the dog park would be explored in the next fiscal year budget and Rick Gould would provide his business card to Mr. Wilson and explain what the city is looking at; indicated that the City appreciated the info on the Valley Fair; and advised that the hospital expansion issue would be before the City Council in June.

### **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 Boydston, second by Ferry, 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 March 13, 2007 regular City Council meeting 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 7:26 p.m. and reconvened the City Council meeting at 7:28 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**

**APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE TO NORTH COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COALITION**

As a result of B. J. Atkins' resignation from the Coalition, a replacement business organization representative is needed. Appoint Arthur Sohikian as the City's business organization representative to the North County Transportation Coalition.

**ITEM 3**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**PURCHASE AND SALE EXCHANGE OF REAL PROPERTY WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY, PORTIONS OF ASSESSOR PARCELS NOS. 2864-003-916 AND 2864-003-918/PARCEL 6-13EX.1, VIA PRINCESSA METROLINK STATION AT WEYERHAEUSER WAY**

Pursuant to the County's letter dated December 15, 2004 and subsequent negotiations, the County of Los Angeles has agreed to sell to the City 11,984 square feet of real property, a portion of APN 2864-003-918/Parcel6-13EX.1, in exchange for a 4,326 square foot portion of the City's property, APN 2864-003-916, and \$21,060.00. Approve the purchase and sale exchange with Los Angeles County to purchase 11,984 square feet of real property, a portion of Assessor Parcel No. 2864-003-918/ Parcel 6-13EX.1, in exchange for 4,326 square feet of parcel 2864-003-916 and \$21,060.00; appropriate \$21,060.00 in funds from fund 206 Local Return fund balance to expenditure Account No. 4150-8620 for the purchase and sale exchange of the property; and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

**ITEM 4**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**L.E.D. (LIGHT EMITTING DIODE) REPLACEMENT PROGRAM FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS- AWARD CONTRACT**

This program is intended to replace the existing traffic signal incandescent lamps with Light Emitting Diode (L.E.D.) technology. Accept the Southern California Edison Standard Performance Contract (SPC) Grant agreement; approve budget transfers from Operations and Maintenance accounts to the Capital Improvement Project accounts; approve the plans and specifications for Light Emitting Diode (L.E.D.), Project No. M0002; award contract to Metro Parking & Traffic Systems for \$184,040.75; and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

**ITEM 5**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**TRANSIT MAINTENANCE FACILITY, PROJECT NO. F0003 - PROJECT ACCEPTANCE**

The Transit Maintenance Facility (TMF) project constructed a permanent facility to accommodate the administrative, operation, and maintenance functions of the City's transit system based on its current and expansion projections, and is the City's first environmentally-friendly facility. Accept the construction of the Transit Maintenance Facility, Project No. F0003, completed by Fedcon General Contractors, Inc; direct the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion; and direct staff to release the 5 percent retention 35 days after the Notice of Completion is recorded, provided no stop notices have been filed, as provided by law.

**ITEM 6**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**GENERAL FUND LOAN TO THE CITY'S FIRSHTHOME PROGRAM**

In order to fully expend \$600,000 in State HOME funds and be eligible to apply for more funds, the general fund will loan the City's FirstHOME Program an amount not to exceed \$25,000. The loan will be repaid to the general fund with upcoming loan proceeds. Approve the appropriation of a loan from the General Fund into the HOME Fund in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for the purpose of issuing one additional deferred-payment low-interest second mortgage loan. Amount to be determined when the loan is completed.

**ITEM 7**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**TRANSIT IMPACT FEE UPDATE CONTRACT AWARD**

The existing Interim Transit Impact Fee (TIF) defrays the cost of the transit-related capital expenditures generated by new development. However, since it has not been updated since its establishment in 1991, and since the existing fee applies only to residential development, the fee is no longer adequate to substantially offset the costs of expanding transit service to serve new development. Authorize the City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute a contract with MuniFinancial in an amount not to exceed \$56,000, subject to City Attorney approval.

**ITEM 8**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF EMISSION RETROFIT KITS FOR TRANSIT BUSES**

As mandated by the California Air Resources Board, consideration of the purchase and installation of 36 emission retrofit kits and support maintenance equipment. Award a contract to Ironman Parts and Services for the purchase and installation of 36 transit bus emission retrofit kits and maintenance equipment, in the amount of \$346,993.60, and authorize a contingency of 10% of the award, or \$34,699.00 from account number 2460-8615 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all contract documents.

**ITEM 9**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**CHECK REGISTER NOS. 10 AND 11**

Approval of the Check Registers. Approve and ratify for payment the demands presented in Check Register Nos. 10 and 11.

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

**On roll call vote:**

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

**Noes: None**

**Absent: None**

**Motion carried.**

**ITEM 10**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**PRESERVATION OF UNDEVELOPED LAND AD-HOC COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Councilmember Weste advised that on November 14, 2006, City Council approved the creation of an ad-hoc committee, composed of Bob Kellar and Laurene Weste, to review various issues impacting the City and provide recommendations to City Council on a funding mechanism to finance the purchase of undeveloped land and explained the recommendations.

Addressing the Council on this item was Sandra Cattell representing the Sierra Club; Henry Schultz representing the Santa Clarita Valley Environmental Coalition (submitted material); Connie Worden-Roberts; Ruthann Levison; Andrew Fried representing the Safe Action for the Environment Inc.; and Cam Noltemeyer. One written comment was submitted.

**Motion by Kellar, second by Ferry, to direct staff to begin necessary preparations to pursue an undeveloped land preservation district.**

**On roll call vote:**

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

**Noes: None**

**Absent: None**

**Motion carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor McLean adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

A City Council Study Session will be held Tuesday, April 3, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the Century Room, 1st floor of City Hall, 23920 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita CA.

The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held Tuesday, April 10, 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**