

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
5:30 P.M.
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
6:00 P.M.
APRIL 22, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kellar called to order the special meeting of the City Council at 6:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All Councilmembers were present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Addressing the Council at this time was Cam Noltemeyer.

CLOSED SESSION

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

CONFERENCE WITH PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Government Code Section 54956.8

Location of Property: Assessor's Parcel No.: 2844-001-056, 058, 059

Property Owner: Soledad Shopping Center, LLC

Location of Property: Assessor's Parcel No.: 2844-006-019

Property Owner: Church of Latter Day Saints

Location of Property: Assessor's Parcel No.: 2844-041-003

Property Owner: University of Western California

Under Negotiation for Each Property: Price and Terms

RECESS AND RECONVENE

Mayor Kellar recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 5:05 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:40 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 Kellar adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilmember McLean gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kellar called to order the regular meeting of the City Council at 6:43 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All Councilmembers were present.

FLAG SALUTE

Councilmember McLean led the flag salute.

AWARDS/RECOGNITION TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE CITY

There were none.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Addressing the Council at this time was Jackie Hamby and representatives of the Assistance League who presented a plaque and t-shirts to each Councilmember in appreciation of the City’s support; Bruce McFarland representing the SCV Ethics Alliance regarding the City’s upcoming consideration of an ethics code; Cam Noltemeyer regarding political action committees and reporting campaign contributions; Joel Thompson and Paul Bevilagua regarding the proposed “Avenue at Santa Clarita” project at Smiser Ranch; Lynne Plambeck thanking former Councilmember Boydston for his service, questioning why write-in votes were not counted in the April 8 election, and regarding the proposed “Avenue at Santa Clarita” project; and Steve Petzold regarding the need for recycling and more redemption centers (submitted picture). One written comment was submitted expressing congratulations to the newly elected Councilmembers and thanks for stopping the Materials Recovery Facility on Sierra Highway.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ken Pulskamp, City Manager, noted that the ethics item would be on the May 13 City Council agenda; acknowledged that the City has received a proposal for development of the Smiser Ranch property which is in preliminary stages with staff working with the developer on revisions to the proposal; explained that there is a process for any potential write-in candidate to qualify as a write-in candidate for any votes to be counted; and advised that the City would be open to consider additional recycling redemption centers.

Carl Newton, City Attorney, commented on the differences between the Smiser Ranch proposal and the Las Lomas proposal and that political action committees are not subject to the City’s campaign contribution ordinance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Addressing the Council at this time with regard to the proposed “Avenue at Santa Clarita” project was Glenda Bona representing the Calgrove Corridor Coalition; Annette Lucas

representing the Calgrove Corridor Coalition (submitted material); Scott Willens; Thomas Scribner; Sterling King; Pamela Ross; Marcia Lewis; Mike McSkane; Steven Alterman; Susan Igdaloff; Thom Williams; Michelle Williams; Klaire Patterson; Walt Breitinger; David Gauny representing Smart Growth SCV; Darlene Sustento; Paul Larsen; Denise Plato; TimBen Boydston; Wayne Schubert; Brian Brann; Terry Rapplexe; Alan Pollack; Judith Lawrence; Alan Ferdman representing the Canyon Country Advisory Committee; and Sheryl Lucas. Also, 46 written comments were submitted on this item.

Also addressing the Council at this time was Tim Crissman regarding a community event on May 3 for a “Stop the Traffic” fund raiser to stop human trafficking.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ken Pulskamp, City Manager, noted that the “Avenue at Santa Clarita” project is still on the drawing board, that the property is not for sale and, as freeway frontage, would be very expensive for the City to purchase.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Kellar requested that staff look into the intersection with the freeway, Calgrove, and Wiley to see what improvements could be done to help traffic in that area. He also suggested that a copy of the recording of this meeting be provided to the project applicants on this matter.

RECESS AND RECONVENE

Mayor Kellar called a recess at 8:17 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Weste expressed appreciation for the public’s and staff’s participation in the Emergency Expo; provided information on the transitional care unit and a proposed site; noted that Councilmember McLean made a trip to Sacramento in support of SB 1180 to include Elsmere Canyon as part of the Rim of the Valley corridor; and requested the meeting be adjourned in the memory of Maria Guadalupe Gomez and Dianne Lucille Frimel, her mother.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferry expressed condolences for Councilmember Weste’s loss; congratulated those students who have been honored this past year in the Heroes of the Week program; and expressed thanks for the efforts of Tess Simgen as well as other staff for the Youth Memorial Grove ceremony.

Councilmember Ender expressed thanks for her warm welcome; congratulated the Rio Norte Junior High School PTSA for being rated the top PTSA in the State; and noted that April is National Autism Month.

Councilmember McLean commented on her recent activities with regard to transportation issues and the region’s unmet transit needs; Arbor Day; Emergency Expo; Legislative Action Days and library funding; Propositions 98 and 99 on the June 3 primary election ballot; and requested that staff look into the public hearing to be held on April 16 regarding a conditional use permit and oak tree permit on Pine View Road.

Mayor Kellar acknowledged Carl and Jeri Goldman for hosting the 3rd annual legislative trip to Sacramento; recommended a new restaurant Off-Broadway Bistro; and noted the Arthritis Walk to be held this weekend.

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 McLean, to approve the agenda, pulling Items 2 and 5 from the Consent Calendar.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by McLean, second by Weste, to approve the minutes of the March 25, 2008 special and regular City Council meetings as submitted.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

RECESS TO SANTA CLARITA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Mayor Kellar recessed the meeting to the Redevelopment Agency meeting at 8:44 p.m.

RECONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Kellar reconvened the meeting of the City Council at 9:15 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

WAIVER OF ATTORNEY/CLIENT CONFIDENTIALITY PRIVILEGE

During the March 25, 2008, City Council Meeting, the City Council passed a motion to agendize a discussion regarding waiving the attorney/client privilege of confidentiality as it relates to a confidential memorandum from the City Attorney's Office to the City Council.

Addressing the Council on this item was Cam Noltemeyer. One written comment was also submitted.

Motion by Weste, second by Ferry, to approve waiving the attorney/client privilege of confidentiality as it relates to a confidential memorandum from the City Attorney's Office regarding "Business Entity Reporting on Statements of Economic Interest."

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Weste, McLean, Ender, Kellar

Noes: Ferry

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ITEM 3

CONSENT CALENDAR

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RECURRING APPLICATION OF RUBBERIZED ASPHALT CONCRETE CHIP SEAL GRANT PROGRAM BEGINNING FISCAL YEAR 2007-08

The Rubberized Asphalt Concrete Chip Seal Grant Program is administered through the California Integrated Waste Management Board. Cities compete yearly for approximately \$2,500,000 to fund portions of projects up to \$150,000 maximum per project. Adopt **Resolution No. 08-32** authorizing the City's Rubberized Asphalt Concrete Chip Seal Grant application each year, for the next five years, as part of the Annual Overlay and Slurry Seal Program; direct staff to submit the completed grant application to the California Integrated Waste Management Board; and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

ITEM 4

CONSENT CALENDAR

CENTRAL PARK EXPANSION PHASE III, PROJECT P4009 - AWARD DESIGN CONTRACT

This design contract is for architectural design services needed for the City's Central Park Expansion Phase III project. Award a design contract to Meyer and Associates for architectural design services for the Central Park Expansion Phase III, Project P4009, in the amount of \$2,134,985, plus a 5 percent contingency in the amount of \$106,749, for a total of \$2,241,734; decrease Expenditure Account P4009723-5161.001 by \$2,200,000 and authorize the appropriation of \$2,423,012 from the Park Improvement (Quimby) fund balance into Account P4009305-5161.001; authorize a one-time increase of \$50,000 for project management services to MNS Engineers, Inc. existing professional services contract; and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

Ken Pulskamp, City Manager, advised of a change in the recommended action, noting that Council has previously appropriated \$2.2 million from the Public Facilities Replacement Fund for this project. Therefore, the only action necessary is the appropriation of an additional \$223,012. Recommended Action #2 in this item should be as follows: to appropriate \$223,012 from Public Facilities Replacement Fund Balance into account #P4009723-5161.001.

ITEM 5

CONSENT CALENDAR

2005-06 COMMUNITY MEDIAN LANDSCAPE, SAN FERNANDO ROAD PROJECT B0002 - PROJECT ACCEPTANCE

The 2005-06 Community Median Landscape project enhanced the aesthetics of the area along San Fernando Road from Oak Ridge Drive to Drayton Street. Approve and accept the completion of the 2005-06 Community Median Landscape San Fernando Road Project B0002; direct the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion; direct staff to release the remaining 10 percent retention 35 days after the Notice of Completion is recorded, provided no stop notices, as provided by law, have been filed; and authorize an increase of \$185,000 to the contract with MNS Engineers for additional design costs for Phase II.

Addressing the Council on this item was Cam Noltemeyer.

ITEM 6

CONSENT CALENDAR

APPROVE OVERHEAD STREET NAME SIGN PURCHASE PROJECT C0029

The purchase of 115 reflective overhead street name signs will complete the third phase of this project aimed at improving the quality and reflectivity of the City's street signage. Approve the purchase of 115 reflective overhead mast arm street name signs from Safeway Sign Company in the amount of \$89,022, plus a 10 percent contingency of \$8,902, for a total of \$97,924. Funds for this project have been budgeted in Accounts C0029230-5161.001 and S2044390-5161.001. Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

ITEM 7

CONSENT CALENDAR

APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF AUXILIARY SIGN ARMS FOR OVERHEAD STREET NAME SIGN PROJECT C0029

The purchase of the auxiliary sign arms will allow mounting of the new City street name signs at intersections throughout the City for phase three of this project. Approve the purchase of 88 auxiliary sign arms to Lingo Industrial Electronics in the amount of \$43,526, plus a 10 percent contingency of \$4,352, for a total of \$47,878. Funds for this project have been budgeted in Accounts C0029230-5161.001 and S2044390-5161.001. Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

ITEM 8

CONSENT CALENDAR

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING NO-STOPPING ANYTIME ZONE ALONG THE EAST AND WESTSIDE OF SECO CANYON ROAD AT CORAL WAY

Staff is recommending the installation of an exclusive left-turn pocket for northbound Seco Canyon Road at Coral Way. Removal of on-street parking along a portion of Seco Canyon Road is required to make room for this turn pocket. Adopt **Resolution No. 08-33** establishing no-stopping anytime zones along both sides of Seco Canyon Road at Coral Way.

ITEM 9

CONSENT CALENDAR

AWARD CONTRACT FOR BATTERY BACKUP SIGNALIZED RAILROAD INTERSECTIONS

This program is intended to install battery backup systems at railroad intersections to provide reliable emergency power to traffic signals in the event of power failures or interruptions. Award the contract for the purchase of battery backup systems to JTB Supply Company in the amount of \$109,894, plus a contingency amount of \$10,000; and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

ITEM 10

CONSENT CALENDAR

SUBMISSION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT 2008-2009 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

In order to receive the 2008-2009 CDBG entitlement funds, HUD requires the submission of an Annual Action Plan. Approve the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan and the funding recommendations contained therein, and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all required documents, subject to the approval of the City Attorney.

ITEM 11

CONSENT CALENDAR

SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA AMENDING AND RESTATING SECTION 11.12.070 OF TITLE 11, CHAPTER 11.12 OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO PENALTIES FOR INTERFERENCE WITH CITY PROPERTY OR NOTICES"

Second reading of an ordinance regarding penalties for interference with City property or notices. Conduct second reading and adopt **Ordinance No. 08-4** entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA AMENDING AND RESTATING SECTION 11.12.070 OF TITLE 11, CHAPTER 11.12 OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO PENALTIES FOR INTERFERENCE WITH CITY PROPERTY OR NOTICES".

ITEM 12

CONSENT CALENDAR

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN TIME LIMITATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE NEWHALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 33333.2 OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

During the 2002-2003 Fiscal Year, every Redevelopment Agency was required to make an Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF) payment to the County Auditor. In an effort to offset the financial burden caused by the ERAF payment, state legislation passed in 2003 (SB 1045) and 2004 (SB 1096) authorized redevelopment agencies to amend their redevelopment plans by ordinance to extend by up to one year, the time limit on the effectiveness of their redevelopment plans and the time limit to repay indebtedness or receive property taxes

pursuant to Section 33670 for each ERAF payment made in 2003-04, 2004-05 and 2005-06. The City can take advantage of SB 1045 and amend its Redevelopment Plan to extend by one year the Redevelopment Plan's effectiveness to July 8, 2028 and the last day to repay indebtedness and collect tax revenues to July 8, 2043. Introduce and pass to second reading an ordinance entitled: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CERTAIN TIME LIMITATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE NEWHALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 33333.2 OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE".

ITEM 13

CONSENT CALENDAR

AWARD CONTRACT FOR BUS SERVICES FOR USE BY RECREATION DAY CAMPS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION PROGRAMS - AWARD CONTRACT TO GLOBAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR BUS SERVICES FOR USE BY RECREATION DAY CAMPS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAMS

Award a contract to Global Transportation Services for bus services for use by Recreation Day Camps and Community Services programs. The contract will provide transportation services for the various day camps and excursions as well as activities scheduled by Community Services. Award a contract to Global Transportation Services for bus services for use by Recreation Day Camps and Community Services programs, in the amount of \$93,300, plus a contingency of \$9,330 for a total annual amount not to exceed \$102,330; authorize the City Manager or designee to execute up to two annual renewal options not to exceed \$102,330 each, plus Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustments, contingent upon the appropriation of funds by the City Council in the annual budget for such Fiscal Year; and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all contracts and associated documents, or modify the awards in the event that issues of impossibility of performance arise, and execute renewals, in accordance with the terms provided herein, subject to City Attorney approval.

ITEM 14

CONSENT CALENDAR

CHECK REGISTER NOS. 12, 13, & 14

Approval of the Check Registers. Approve and ratify for payment the demands presented in Check Register Nos. 12, 13, & 14.

Motion by Weste, second by Ender, to approve the Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item 2 and noting the change in the recommended action on Item 4.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Ferry, McLean, Ender, Weste, Kellar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ITEM 15

PUBLIC HEARING

HASLEY HILLS/VALENCIA COMMERCE CENTER (VCC) ANNEXATION, MASTER CASE 07-206 – CONSIDERATION OF GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 07-003, PREZONE 07-002, AND REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION 08-005, SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT 07-001 TO THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (LAFCO)

Mayor Kellar opened the public hearing.

Sharon Dawson, City Clerk, stated that all notices required have been provided.

James Chow, Associate Planner, advised that this item is for the request for authorization to submit an application for annexation for Hasley Hills/Valencia Commerce Center.

Addressing the Council on this item was Roger Ludwig representing Hasley Hills HOA; Allan Cameron; Richard Aronoff (submitted material); and Alan Ferdman representing Canyon Country Advisory Committee. One written comment was submitted on this item.

Mayor Kellar closed the public hearing.

Motion by Ferry, second by Weste, to adopt Resolution No. 08-34 approving General Plan Amendment (GPA) 07-003, adopt Resolution No. 08-35 for a Resolution of Application authorizing staff to submit an application to the Local Agency Formation Commission to amend the Sphere of Influence and annex approximately 1,430 acres of land located at the northwest corner of I-5 and SR-126 and approve the Negative Declaration prepared for the project; and introduce and pass to second reading an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA TO APPROVE PREZONE NO. 07-002 (MASTER CASE 07-206) FOR THE HASLEY HILLS/VALENCIA COMMERCE CENTER ANNEXATION AREA GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF INTERSTATE 5 AND STATE ROUTE 126, ALONG THE WESTERLY BOUNDARY OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: McLean, Ender, Weste, Ferry, Kellar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kellar adjourned the meeting at 9:55 p.m. in memory of Dianna Lucille Frimel and Maria Guadalupe Gomez.

FUTURE MEETINGS

A City Council Study Session will be held Tuesday, May 6, 2008, 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, May 13, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 1st floor of City Hall, 23920 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita, CA.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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