

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
5:30 P.M.
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
6:00 P.M.
JUNE 10, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kellar 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 – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(c) – one matter

RECESS AND RECONVENE

Mayor Kellar recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 5:31 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

CITY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENT

Carl Newton, City Attorney, announced that in Closed Session and by unanimous vote, the Council authorized the initiation of a civil action to abate a nuisance condition which exists at 26319 Fairgate Avenue in the City. This is a single family residence owned by John Hwang which is unoccupied and needs to be demolished as a public hazard and nuisance.

ADJOURN

Mayor Kellar adjourned the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

INVOCATION

Mayor Pro Tem Ferry gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kellar called to order the regular meeting of the City Council at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All Councilmembers were present.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Pro Tem Ferry introduced Eric Miyamoto, Captain of the Valencia High School Varsity Boys Volleyball team, who led the flag salute.

AWARDS/RECOGNITION TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Mayor Kellar and Councilmembers presented a plaque of appreciation to Fire Chief Matt Gil on his retirement, with Ken Pulskamp, City Manager, providing additional accolades. On behalf of Assemblymember Cameron Smyth, Ed Masterson also made a presentation to Fire Chief Gil.

Councilmember Ender and Councilmembers presented certificates of congratulations to members of the Valencia High School Varsity Boys Volleyball team for winning their CIF Division II Championship and being the #1 high school volleyball team in the nation.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE CITY

There were none.

PUBLIC SAFETY TOPIC OF THE MONTH

Sergeant Greg Lewison from the Sheriff's Department Community Relations and Crime Prevention Bureau provided information on Personal Security and Safety Awareness Month.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Addressing the Council at this time was Alan Ferdman representing the Canyon Country Advisory Committee regarding Canvas Street traffic; George Kosci supporting the Benz Road residents and regarding the survey in the Canvas Street area; Dave Stefko supporting the Benz Road residents; Rich Smith, President of the Sunset Heights HOA regarding safety issues on Linda Vista and Benz Road; and Nadine Teter regarding traffic in the Linda Vista area.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ken Pulskamp, City Manager, reminded that the Council would consider the Linda Vista area traffic at the June 24 meeting and urged people to keep an open mind and be patient for the opportunity for the facts to be presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember McLean commented on her attendance at the Assembly Committee hearing in Sacramento on SB1180 to include Elsmere Canyon in the Rim of the Valley Corridor; advised of her attendance at the Zonta Club of SCV Installation of Officers and congratulated JoAnn Rodriguez on completing her year as Zonta President; discussed legislation introduced by Congressman McKeon and Senator Boxer, the California Wild Heritage Act, to preserve open space; and clarified that Council does not resent the public coming to speak since the Council is here to serve the residents but she urged citizens to give the Council time to review information and make a decision before becoming angry.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferry commented on the upcoming Boys & Girls Club Auction on Saturday; and acknowledged the CIF Champion Girls Softball Team at Valencia High School.

Councilmember Weste invited attendance at the ground breaking of the Sports Complex expansion on Thursday; and commented on her visit accompanied by the City Manager and Intergovernmental Relations Officer last Tuesday with the Victorville City Council regarding HR5887, the Soledad Canyon Mine Act, who were very supportive of Council's resolution and Congressman McKeon's bill.

Councilmember Ender acknowledged the winners of the San Fernando Business Journal Awards with 3 being from the Santa Clarita Valley and the four members of the City family who were among the nominees; and reminded that Camp Clarita starts on Monday.

Mayor Kellar commented on his attendance at the Contract Cities Conference with the City Manager, discussed Mountain View Elementary school's program for 6th grade students who earn points for volunteerism; complimented Diane Foderaro for doing a great job with her Plum Canyon 1st grade class; and acknowledged the passing of Suzy Hamblen.

EXECUTIVE MEETING

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Weste, second by Ender, to approve the agenda, pulling Item 12 from the Consent Calendar.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by McLean, second by Ender, to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2008 special and regular City Council meetings as submitted.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

CONVENE SANTA CLARITA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chair Kellar called the meeting of the Redevelopment Agency to order at 6:58 p.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Weste, second by Ender, to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2008 regular meeting as submitted.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

ITEM 1

JOINT CONSENT CALENDAR

AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AUTHORITY TO INVEST MONIES IN THE LOCAL AGENCY INVESTMENT FUND

The City of Santa Clarita Redevelopment Agency (RDA) has obtained and will receive funding to finance the costs of certain redevelopment activities within the Newhall Redevelopment Project Area (Project Area). Adopt the City of Santa Clarita's Redevelopment Agency's **Resolution No. RDA 08-8**, authorizing the investment of monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund of the State of California.

City Council/Redevelopment Agency: Motion by Weste, second by Ferry, to approve the Consent Calendar.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Ender, Weste, Ferry, McLean, Kellar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ITEM 2

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET AND FIVE YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mayor/Chair Kellar opened the public hearing.

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

Ken Pulskamp, City Manager/Executive Director, advised that this is a joint public hearing of the City Council and Redevelopment Agency on the proposed Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget, Redevelopment Agency Budget, and Five-Year Capital Improvement Program, gave an overview and provided budget highlights.

Addressing the Council/Agency on this item was TimBen Boydston.

Mayor/Chair Kellar closed the public hearing.

City Council/Redevelopment Agency direction to provide a \$25,000 COLA to the SCV Senior Center and provide an additional \$50,000 funding on a one-time basis, and to place the consideration of an Arts Council on a future Council agenda.

City Council/Redevelopment Agency: Motion by Weste, second by Ferry, to schedule the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Annual Operating budget and Five-Year Capital Improvement Program for adoption at the June 24, 2008 joint City Council and Redevelopment Agency meeting.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Weste, Ferry, McLean, Ender, Kellar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ADJOURN SANTA CLARITA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Chair Kellar adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

RESUME CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Kellar resumed the regular City Council meeting at 7:38 p.m.

ITEM 3

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 4

CONSENT CALENDAR

CITY COUNCIL 2008 MEETING CHANGE AND POLICY AMENDMENT

Consideration of canceling City Council meeting on November 11, 2008 and amending the Council policy regarding State and Federal holidays. Cancel the regular City Council meeting of November 11, 2008, due to the Veteran's Day holiday and amend City Council policy I-14 to provide for the cancellation of Council meetings on State or Federal holidays.

ITEM 5

CONSENT CALENDAR

SUMMARY VACATION OF STORM DRAIN EASEMENT ON LOT 2 OF PARCEL MAP 19164

A minor realignment of a storm drain line has caused the developer to propose a new storm drain easement. Adopt **Resolution No. 08-51** for the summary vacation of an easement dedicated to the City of Santa Clarita for covered storm drain, appurtenant structures, and ingress and egress purposes on Lot 2 of Parcel Map 19164 recorded on April 21, 1998, and direct the City Clerk to record the certified original resolution in the office of the Registrar-Recorder of the County of Los Angeles.

ITEM 6

CONSENT CALENDAR

APPROVE CONTRACT RENEWAL TO CLEANSTREET FOR CITYWIDE STREET SWEEPING SERVICES

This item will renew the contract with CleanStreet through June 30, 2009, to provide Citywide street sweeping. Approve renewal of contract to CleanStreet for an amount not to exceed

\$732,500 for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 from Account 14600-5141.003; and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

ITEM 7

CONSENT CALENDAR

AWARD CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) STORAGE AREA NETWORK (SAN) SYSTEMS

The acquisition of two (2) SAN systems will improve the efficiency of the City's Data Storage capabilities by providing scalable and consolidated storage, redundancy, and the ability to create a disaster recovery site whereby city information can be readily accessed in the event the City's primary data center is ever compromised. Award a contract in the amount of \$328,645 plus a 10% contingency in the amount of \$32,865 for a total amount not to exceed \$361,510 to Datalink Networks for the purchase of two (2) Storage Area Network (SAN) systems, authorize the City Manager or designee to modify the award in the event other issues of impossibility of performance arise, and execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

ITEM 8

CONSENT CALENDAR

AWARD CONTRACT TO STAY GREEN, INC. FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE AT VARIOUS CITY SITES

Consideration of awarding a contract for landscape maintenance at various City sites. Award a contract to Stay Green, Inc. for the landscape maintenance for the Metrolink Sites/City Hall /Auxiliary Lot/Corporate Yard and other various sites in the amount of \$107,916.00, plus a 10 percent contingency of \$10,791.60, for a total amount not to exceed \$118,707.60; authorize the City Manager or designee to modify the award in the event other issues of impossibility of performance arise, execute up to two (2) annual renewal options not to exceed \$118,707.60 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 execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

ITEM 9

CONSENT CALENDAR

ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY INTO STREETLIGHT MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 1

Annexation of a new development receiving benefit into the Streetlight Maintenance District No. 1. Adopt **Resolution No. 08-52** to initiate annexation proceedings for one parcel into Streetlight Maintenance District (SMD) No. 1; approve the Engineer's Report, and call for and set the Public Hearing for June 24, 2008.

ITEM 10

CONSENT CALENDAR

ANNUAL LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS FOR SPECIAL DISTRICTS

Consideration of Resolutions of Intention to levy fees and approve the Engineers' Reports which detail the annual levy of assessments for the specified districts and the zones within those districts for Fiscal Year 2008/09. Adopt the following resolutions declaring the City's intention to levy assessments, setting a public hearing for June 24, 2008, and preliminarily approving the Assessment Engineer's Reports for the following special districts: **Resolution No. 08-53** for

Drainage Benefit Assessment Areas Nos. 3, 6, 18, 19, 20, 22, and 2008-1; **Resolution No. 08-54** for Landscape Maintenance Districts Nos. 1, T-1, and A-2; **Resolution No. 08-55** for Streetlight Maintenance District No. 1; **Resolution No. 08-56** for Golden Valley Ranch Open Space Maintenance District; and **Resolution No. 08-57** for the Open Space Preservation District.

ITEM 11

CONSENT CALENDAR

FEDERAL LEGISLATION: H.R. 5887 - THE SOLEDAD CANYON MINE ACT

CEMEX USA currently holds two consecutive ten-year contracts with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), allowing the extraction of approximately 56.1 million tons of sand and gravel in the Soledad Canyon area, immediately east of the City of Santa Clarita. The City of Santa Clarita and CEMEX spent over a year working with Congressman McKeon to develop legislative language that would bring a successful resolution to the issue. On April 24, 2008, Congressman McKeon introduced H.R. 5887, which, when enacted into law, will bring a satisfactory conclusion for all parties to the dispute over the mining proposal. Adopt **Resolution No. 08-58** in support of H.R. 5887 and transmit copies of the resolution and statement of support to Representative Howard P. "Buck" McKeon, Senator Dianne Feinstein, Senator Barbara Boxer, and other Members of Congress, as appropriate.

ITEM 12

CONSENT CALENDAR

FEDERAL LEGISLATION: S. 3069 AND H.R. 6156 - THE EASTERN SIERRA AND NORTH SAN GABRIEL WILD HERITAGE ACT

On May 22, 2008, Senator Barbara Boxer (D-CA) and Representative Howard P. "Buck" McKeon (R-CA-25) introduced S. 3069 and H.R. 6156 respectively, the Eastern Sierra and Northern San Gabriel Wild Heritage Act. These two identical bills seek to provide a wilderness designation to 472,804 acres of federal land located within California's Twenty-Fifth Congressional District. The wilderness designation is the highest level of conservation and protection for federal lands. Support S. 3069 and H.R. 6156 and transmit statements of support to Senator Barbara Boxer, Senator Dianne Feinstein, Representative Howard P. "Buck" McKeon and other Members of Congress, as appropriate.

Addressing the Council on this item was Adolfo Bailón, Senior Field Representative for U. S. Senator Barbara Boxer, expressed appreciation for the City's support of this proposed legislation.

Additional comments were made by Councilmember Weste.

ITEM 13

CONSENT CALENDAR

CHECK REGISTER NOS. 20 & 21

Approval of the Check Registers. Approve and ratify for payment the demands presented in Check Register Nos. 20 & 21.

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

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Ferry, McLean, Ender, Weste, Kellar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

RECESS AND RECONVENE

Mayor Kellar called a recess at 7:40 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

ITEM 14

PUBLIC HEARING

ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT TO FEES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE FEE SCHEDULE

Mayor Kellar opened the public hearing.

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

Carmen Magaña, Finance Manager, advised that this item is for the consideration of fees for fiscal year 2008-09, including adjusting current fees for service by the percent change in the annual Consumer Price Index - All Urban Consumers for the Los Angeles - Riverside - Orange County area for the year ending December 2007. That percent increase is 4.2%.

No requests to speak were submitted on this item.

Mayor Kellar closed the public hearing.

Motion by Ferry, second by Weste, to adopt Resolution No. 08-59 establishing a schedule of fees and charges for City services, and adopt Resolution No. 08-60 establishing fees and charges for the storm drainage utility services for fiscal year 2008-2009.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: McLean, Ender, Weste, Ferry, Kellar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ITEM 15

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BENZ ROAD TRAFFIC ISSUES AND RESPONSE TO NEIGHBORHOOD SURVEY

Andrew Yi, City Traffic Engineer, advised that surveys were sent to 538 residents in the Benz Road neighborhood requesting their input on additional traffic restrictions and provided the steps taken to manage traffic in this area to date.

Addressing the Council on this item was Alan Ferdman representing the Canyon Country Advisory Committee; Jeff Pielet; Ronald Hall; Kathy Meyer; Ralph Edson; Joseph Choo; Sandra Edson; Linda Pfaucht; Scott Young; Jean Erickson; TimBen Boydston; Nadine Teter; Rich Smith; Marivic Francis; Jesse Rivas; Kenneth Zeiler; Annette Lucas; Sol Levy; Susan Wachter; and Patrick Coghlan. Nineteen written comment cards were submitted.

Council direction to refer the matter back to staff to come up with the right solution, leaving everything on the table.

Ken Pulskamp, City Manager, advised that staff would come back with a timeframe on this topic and would not place the Canvas/Linda Vista traffic issues on a Council agenda until the topic is resolved.

ITEM 16

NEW BUSINESS

AWARD CONTRACT FOR THE MANAGEMENT, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF TRANSIT SERVICE

Jeff O'Keefe, Transit Manager, advised that on August 5, 2008 the City's contract for the operation and maintenance of the City's transit service with Veolia Transportation, Inc. will expire on August 5, 2008 and explained the process used to evaluate each of three new proposals received.

Addressing the Council on this item was Francois Regetibal representing Veolia Transportation and David Smith representing MV Transportation.

In response to inquiries from Council, Kevin Klika, President of MV Transportation, provided additional information.

Motion by Ferry, second by McLean, to award a three-year contract for the Management, Operation, and Maintenance of Transit Services to MV Transportation, in a total amount not to exceed \$48,809,787; \$15,800,501 for FY 08-09; \$16,170,543 for FY 09-10; and, \$16,383,743 for FY 10-11; authorize the City Manager or designee to modify the award in the event other issues of impossibility of performance arise, execute up to seven (7) annual renewal options not to exceed \$16,383,743 each, plus Producer Price Index (PPI) adjustments for fuel and Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustments for all other contract elements, contingent upon the appropriation of funds by the City Council in the annual budget for such Fiscal Year and execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Ender, Weste, Ferry, McLean, Kellar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kellar adjourned the meeting at 9:48 p.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held Tuesday, June 24, 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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