

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
5:30 P.M.
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
6:00 P.M.
SEPTEMBER 12, 2006**

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

All Councilmembers were present, with the exception of Councilmember Smyth.

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 – POTENTIAL LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(b) – one matter

RECESS AND RECONVENE

Mayor Weste recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 5:31 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:07 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 Weste adjourned the meeting at 6:08 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 Smyth gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Weste called to order the regular meeting of the City Council at 6:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All Councilmembers were present.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Weste invited representatives of Girl Scout Troops 106, 395, 468, 696, 755, and 864 to present the colors and lead the flag salute.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Kellar commented on his attendance at the League of CA Cities conference in San Diego and several charitable events including a tour of the Painted Turtle Camp for children with disabilities near Lake Elizabeth, LARC Ranch and the Michael Hoefflin fundraiser.

Mayor Pro Tem McLean commented on her visit to the set of NCIS which was filming in her neighborhood and her attendance at the League of CA Cities conference where the City received 2 Helen Putnam awards for the Youth Grove and the mentoring program.

Councilmember Ferry reminded that the Senior Center Wine Auction would be held on September 23 and Teen Scene Unplugged would be held on September 27. He also urged residents to call and report incidents of graffiti to the City and for parents to check their kids' belongings for tagging supplies.

Councilmember Smyth reported on his attendance at the Third Annual Excelencia Awards Gala on September 9 at the Hyatt.

Mayor Weste expressed appreciation for events honoring the heroes of September 11 and the efforts of the Elks Lodge and Prayer Angels for the military; thanked firefighters currently battling the Day fire; noted that the new Armed Forces Recruitment Center on Soledad is now open; and noted her attendance at the Hispanic Business Gala, the Macy's opening, the Carousel Ranch event and a visit to the Burbank redevelopment area.

AWARDS/RECOGNITION TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Mayor Weste and Councilmembers presented a proclamation for the Boys and Girls Club "Day for Kids" to Jim Ventress and several members of the Boys and Girls Club.

Mayor Weste and Councilmembers presented a tile plaque to Carol Gelsinger, a founding member of the Child and Family Center, who is retiring in September.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE CITY

Mayor Weste and Councilmembers presented the National Communities in Motion Day Proclamation to Administrative Services Director Darren Hernández, Transit Manager Jeff O'Keefe, and representatives of the City's transit staff.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Addressing the Council at this time was Gene Dorio, M.D. and Robin Clough representing the Committee against Closing the Transitional Care Unit (submitted material). One written comment was received with regard to graffiti and deterioration.

STAFF COMMENTS

There was none.

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 Smyth, second by McLean, to approve the agenda, pulling Item 2 from the Consent Calendar.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Smyth, second by Ferry, to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2006 special and regular City Council meetings as submitted.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

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

NAMING THE NEW PARK ON WHITES CANYON ROAD AS TODD LONGSHORE PARK

On April 25, 2006, Santa Clarita endured the sudden passing of Commissioner Todd Longshore, who served on the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission for 16 years. The Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission recommends naming the new park in memory of Commissioner Longshore. Approve the recommendation from the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission to name the new City park on Whites Canyon Road as “Todd Longshore Park.”

Through action taken earlier, this item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion at this time.

Councilmember Smyth acknowledged the passion, commitment for parks and recreation and the significant contributions Mr. Longshore made to the community of Santa Clarita. Councilmember Kellar noted the 4 recommendations proposed by the ad-hoc committee which would be included.

ITEM 3

CONSENT CALENDAR

CORPORATE YARD ROOF REPLACEMENT, PROJECT NO. F1012 – APPROVE THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, AND AWARD THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

Completing this roof replacement will prevent water-related damage to the building's interior ceilings, walls, equipment, and carpeting. Approve the plans and specifications; award the contract for the Corporate Yard Roof Replacement, Project No. F1012, to Rey-Crest Roofing & Waterproofing Company in the amount of \$462,750.00, and authorize a contingency in the amount of \$70,000.00; award a contract under National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA), Contract No. 102903, to Tremco for the purchase of roofing materials in the amount of \$200,000.00 from Account No. F1012001; and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

ITEM 4

CONSENT CALENDAR

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT-TRAVELER INFORMATION SUBSYSTEM, PROJECT NO. I0004 - AWARD DESIGN CONTRACT

The goal of this system is to serve as an informative source for motorists and various public agencies by providing traffic-related data. Award the design contract for the Incident Management-Traveler Information Subsystem, Project No. I0004, to Kimley-Horn & Associates in the amount of \$298,440.00, and authorize a contingency in the amount of \$44,766.00; and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

ITEM 5

CONSENT CALENDAR

2007 SUPPLEMENTAL CALL FOR PROJECTS GRANT SUBMITTAL

Metro is currently accepting on a one-time basis applications for supplemental funding to cover cost increases for existing projects previously funded through prior 1999, 2000, and 2001 Call for Projects. This competitive application process covers cost increases to the existing scope of work for active or programmed Call for Projects recipients. Approve the proposed 2007 Supplemental Call for Projects grant submittal requesting additional grant funding for Magic Mountain Parkway Phase II, Incident Management-Traveler Information Subsystem, and Santa Clara River Trail projects; and direct staff to submit completed grant applications to the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) by the September 27, 2006 deadline.

ITEM 6

CONSENT CALENDAR

TRANSIT VEHICLE EXCHANGE

Transfer of a federally funded rarely used trolley bus for a federally funded City surplus transit bus. Trolley to be used to initiate new transit services into the Valencia Industrial and Town Center areas. Approve the vehicle exchange of a surplus Santa Clarita Transit bus for the Greater Bridgeport Transit Authority bus trolley.

One written comment was submitted on this item.

ITEM 7

CONSENT CALENDAR

TWENTY-FIVE-CENT TRANSIT FARE DAY

Annually, transit agencies across the country join together to promote public transportation awareness. This year, the region is recommending a region-wide twenty-five-cent fare day for all local and commuter bus riders. Approve a twenty-five-cent fare day for local and commuter bus services on October 5, 2006, in support of the region-wide Communities in Motion Day.

ITEM 8

CONSENT CALENDAR

CHECK REGISTER NOS. 33 AND 34

Approval of the Check Registers. Approve and ratify for payment the demands presented in Check Register Nos. 33 and 34.

Motion by McLean, second by Kellar, to approve the Consent Calendar.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Ferry, Smyth, McLean, Kellar, Weste

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ITEM 9

PUBLIC HEARING

**ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY INTO STREETLIGHT MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 1
(ANNEXATIONS L-81 AND L-82)**

Mayor Weste opened the public hearing.

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

In report, Dennis Luppens, Special Districts Administrator, advised that this item is for the consideration of annexation of territory into Streetlight Maintenance District No. 1 for Tract No. 62252 located at Beneda Lane and Mirror Way and Tract No. 60536 located at Sierra Highway and American Beauty Drive.

No requests to speak were submitted on this item.

Mayor Weste closed the public hearing.

Sharon Dawson, City Clerk, advised that the single property owner for each annexation (L-81 and L-82) has submitted a ballot in favor of the assessment, therefore there was no majority protest.

Motion by Kellar, second by McLean, to adopt Resolution No. 06-93 approving the Engineer's Report ordering said annexations, and authorize the annual levy and collection of assessments within the District.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Smyth, McLean, Kellar, Ferry, Weste

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Weste adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS

A Special City Council Study Session will be held Tuesday, September 19, 2006 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, September 26, 2006 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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