

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 14, 2008

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rolling Hills Estates was called to order at 7:38 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 4045 Palos Verdes Drive North, by MAYOR ZERUNYAN.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The PVP 4-H Club led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

City Council Members Present: Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman
City Council Member Absent: Addleman

City Staff Present: City Manager Doug Prichard
City Attorney Kristin Pelletier
Assistant City Manager Sam Wise
Community Services Director Andy Clark
Planning Director David Wahba
Administrative Services Director Michael Whitehead
Assistant to the City Manager Greg Grammer

Others Present: Leah Boyd, Park and Activities Commission
Judy Bayer, Planning Commission

4. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

A. PROCLAMATION

MAYOR ZERUNYAN proclaimed the week of October 6-12, 2008 as "NATIONAL 4-H WEEK."

MAYOR ZERUNYAN was pleased to note that the 4-H Club is one of the largest youth development organizations in the nation.

Jessica Kwan, President, PVP 4-H Club, thanked the COUNCIL and community for being so supportive.

5. ROUTINE MATTERS

A. CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2008

MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS

TO APPROVE THE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2008 AS PRESENTED.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR ZERUNYAN SO ORDERED.

B. DEMANDS AND WARRANTS – SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL

TO APPROVE WARRANTS 44691 THROUGH 44762 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$439,833.11; SUPPLEMENTAL WARRANTS 090108 THROUGH 090208; 44290 VOID; 44380 VOID; 44513 THROUGH 44525; 44576 THROUGH 44607; 44659 THROUGH 44670; 44594 VOID; 44663 VOID IN THE AMOUNT OF \$265,401.32 FOR A GRAND TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$705,234.43 WITH PROPER AUDIT.

AYES: Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman
ABSENT: Addleman

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS moved, seconded by COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN

TO APPROVE ITEMS A AND B.

A. READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for consideration to the City Council will be waived and all such ordinances and resolutions will be read by title only.

APPROVED.

B. FIRST QUARTER BUDGET REVIEW

COUNCIL WILL ADJOURN TO 5:30 P.M. ON OCTOBER 28 TO UNDERTAKE A FIRST QUARTER BUDGET REVIEW STUDY SESSION.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR ZERUNYAN SO ORDERED.

7. AUDIENCE ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA/WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS

8:00 P.M.

NONE

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. PARK AND ACTIVITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2008

MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL moved, seconded by COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN

TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE PARK AND ACTIVITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2008.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR ZERUNYAN SO ORDERED.

COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS referred to the Arterial Street Medians and Parkway Project and questioned why the Park and Activities Commission recommended the \$10,000 West Basin Municipal Water District grant was for the Palos Verdes Drive North median at the west City limits.

MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL noted that there may have been some miscommunication. She stated that the Commission seemed to be focusing on the medians that needed the most attention.

It was the consensus of the COUNCIL to direct staff to determine the median best suited for this grant.

1. PARK AND ACTIVITIES ACTION ITEM – BUSINESS DISTRICT HOLIDAY DECORATIONS PROPOSALS

Recommendation: That the City Council accept Harrington Decorating Company's proposal to purchase, install, remove, and store the seven (7) selected illuminating display units at a cost not to exceed \$11,733.80; and accept Gold's Graphics proposal to design, produce, install, remove, and store 176 streetlight holiday banners at a cost not to exceed \$11,346.37.

Community Services Director Clark provided a staff report (as per agenda material).

MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL suggested having horse-oriented illuminated displays that reflect the community.

After brief discussion, COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS suggested lighting the 9/11 memorial trees at Levitt Park as well as other locations at either end of Silver Spur Road.

Staff was directed to utilize energy efficient lighting, if possible, and contact the South Bay Environmental Services Center (SBESC) for further information.

COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS and MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL volunteered to form a subcommittee to choose the banner design for the upcoming holiday season.

COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL

TO APPROVE: 1) INSTALLATION OF LIMITED ILLUMINATED DISPLAYS AT LOCATIONS TO BE DETERMINED BY STAFF; 2) WRAPPING LIGHT STRANDS AROUND STREET MEDIAN OVERHEAD LIGHT POLES AND IN SELECTED TREES WHERE APPROPRIATE USING ENERGY EFFICIENT BULBS TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE; AND 3) FORMING A HOLIDAY BANNER SELECTION SUBCOMMITTEE CONSISTING OF MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL AND COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS TO FINALIZE BANNER DESIGN.

AYES: Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman
ABSENT: Addleman

B. FUND EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the agreement with LACMTA for the exchange of flexible LACMTA STP-L Local Transportation Funds for Federal STPL funds.

Assistant City Manager Wise provided a staff report (as per agenda material).

MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL moved, seconded by COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN

TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT WITH LACMTA FOR THE EXCHANGE OF FLEXIBLE LACMTA STP-L LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDS FOR FEDERAL STPL FUNDS.

AYES: Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman
ABSENT: Addleman

10. OLD BUSINESS

A. STREET RESURFACING BID RESULTS

Recommendation: That the City Council award the contract for the FY2008-09 Street Resurfacing Project and authorize the appropriate City Officials to execute the agreement, at a total cost of \$199,882 with PALP dba Excel Paving Company.

Assistant to the City Manager Grammer provided a staff report (as per agenda material).

COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL

TO AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR THE FY2008-09 STREET RESURFACING PROJECT AND AUTHORIZED THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT, AT A TOTAL COST OF \$199,882 WITH PALP DBA EXCEL PAVING COMPANY.

AYES: Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman
ABSENT: Addleman

B. RESIDENT FEEDBACK REGARDING POTENTIAL VIEW RESTORATION ORDINANCE

Recommendation: That the City Council direct staff as to the steps that should be taken regarding the public's interest in scenic view preservation and restoration.

Community Services Director Clark provided a staff report (as per agenda material).

After extensive discussion, COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN moved, seconded by MAYOR ZERUNYAN

TO DIRECT STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD WITH DRAFTING AN ORDINANCE FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION, WITH AN EMPHASIS ON MEDIATION AND MINIMIZING STAFF TIME, BEFORE SEEKING FURTHER PUBLIC INPUT ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR ZERUNYAN SO ORDERED.

C. RESOLUTIONS SETTING PUBLIC FACILITIES IMPACT FEE AMOUNTS FOR LIBRARY, PARKS AND RECREATION, TRAFFIC, AND GENERAL PLAN MAINTENANCE PURPOSES

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2175 setting a library impact fee amount, Resolution No. 2176 setting a parks and recreation impact fee amount, Resolution No. 2177 setting a traffic impact fee amount, and Resolution No. 2178 setting a General Plan maintenance fee amount.

Planning Director Wahba provided a staff report (as per agenda material).

1. RESOLUTION NO. 2175 FOR ADOPTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES SETTING PUBLIC FACILITIES FEES FOR LIBRARY FACILITIES.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL

TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2175.

City Manager Prichard read Resolution No. 2175 by title only.

AYES: Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman
ABSENT: Addleman

2. RESOLUTION NO. 2176 FOR ADOPTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES SETTING PUBLIC FACILITIES FEES FOR PARK AND RECREATION FACILITIES.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL

TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2176.

City Manager Prichard read Resolution No. 2176 by title only.

AYES: Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman
ABSENT: Addleman

3. RESOLUTION NO. 2177 FOR ADOPTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES SETTING PUBLIC FACILITIES FEES FOR TRAFFIC FACILITIES.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL

TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2177.

City Manager Prichard read Resolution No. 2177 by title only.

AYES: Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman
ABSENT: Addleman

4. RESOLUTION NO. 2178 FOR ADOPTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES SETTING PUBLIC FACILITIES FEES FOR GENERAL PLAN MAINTENANCE.

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL

TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2178.

City Manager Prichard read Resolution No. 2178 by title only.

AYES: Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman
ABSENT: Addleman

11. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

NONE

12. CITY COUNCIL/REGIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS: This item provides the opportunity for Members of the City Council to provide information and reports to other Members of the City Council and/or the public on any issues or activities of currently active Council Committees, ad hoc committees, regional or state-wide governmental associations, special districts and/or joint powers authorities and their various committees on which Members of the City Council might serve or have an interest, which are not otherwise agendized.

A. COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS

1. PENINSULA HOLIDAY PARADE SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2008

MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS

TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE PENINSULA HOLIDAY PARADE SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2008.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR ZERUNYAN SO ORDERED.

B. MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL

1. ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2008

MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS

TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2008.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR ZERUNYAN SO ORDERED.

C. COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN noted that a public health advisory has been issued regarding the West Nile Virus. He noted one death resulted from the virus in Rancho Palos Verdes. He urged everyone to be extremely careful, particularly the very young, elderly and frail.

13. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS: This item provides the opportunity for Members of the City Council to request information on currently pending projects and/or issues of public concern, direct that an item be agendized for future consideration and/or make announcements of interest to the public.

A. MAYOR PRO TEM MITCHELL noted that the National League of Cities Conference is approaching and asked for this item to be agendized for her to be appointed as the voting delegate.

B. COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS referred to Planning Director Wahba's memorandum regarding how to improve neglected vacant properties. She asked that this item be agendized.

- C. COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN noted that there was a brushfire several days ago due to a SCE transformer. He stated that he would like to see a report of system failures. Assistant City Manager Wise stated that a report will be forthcoming at the next meeting. Additionally, MAYOR ZERUNYAN commented that he had seen Scott Gobble from SCE, and asked him to provide a report on the age of systems throughout the City.
- D. MAYOR ZERUNYAN announced that the California Contract Cities Association Annual Fall Seminar will take place October 17-19, 2008.

14. CLOSED SESSION

NONE

15. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:06 p.m., MAYOR ZERUNYAN formally adjourned the City Council meeting to Tuesday, October 28, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a First Quarter Budget Review Study Session.

Submitted by,

Approved by,

Hope J. Nolan
Deputy City Clerk

Douglas R. Prichard
City Manager