

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 14, 2006

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rolling Hills Estates was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 4045 Palos Verdes Drive North, by MAYOR ZUCKERMAN.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MAYOR ZUCKERMAN led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

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

City Staff Present: City Manager Doug Prichard
Interim City Attorney Kristin Pelletier
Assistant City Manager Sam Wise
Planning Director David Wahba
Community Services Director Andy Clark

Others Present: Larry Vanden Bos, Planning Commission
Dave Pierson, Park and Activities Commission

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

NONE

ROUTINE MATTERS

A. CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 28, 2006

COUNCILMAN ADDLEMAN moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL

TO APPROVE THE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 28, 2006, AS PRESENTED.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR ZUCKERMAN SO ORDERED.

B. DEMANDS AND WARRANTS - FEBRUARY

COUNCILMAN ADDLEMAN moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS

TO APPROVE WARRANTS 39026 THROUGH 39078 FOR A TOTAL OF \$245,802.24; AND SUPPLEMENTAL WARRANTS 020106 THROUGH 020206; 38849; 38850 VOID; 38851 THROUGH 38864; AND 38934 THROUGH 38945 FOR A TOTAL OF \$213,031.67, FOR A GRAND TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$458,833.91 WITH PROPER AUDIT.

AYES: Addleman, Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman

CONSENT CALENDAR

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded by COUNCILMAN ADDLEMAN
TO APPROVE ITEMS A-D.

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.

B. LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES PRIORITY FOCUS DATED
FEBRUARY 17, 2006

RECEIVED AND FILED.

C. LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES PRIORITY FOCUS DATED
FEBRUARY 24, 2006

RECEIVED AND FILED.

D. LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES PRIORITY FOCUS DATED MARCH 3,
2006

RECEIVED AND FILED.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR ZUCKERMAN SO ORDERED.

COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS requested staff to email the Priority Focus to all COUNCIL MEMBERS, so that if there are items that need consideration, COUNCIL will be ready to discuss those items of interest. City Manager Prichard stated he would contact the League to have the Priority Focus emailed to all COUNCIL MEMBERS in the future.

AUDIENCE ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA/WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

A. UPDATE ON TRAFFIC CONTROL AT RANCHO VISTA SCHOOL FROM
CAPTAIN JAY ZUANICH, LOMITA SHERIFF'S STATION

Captain Zuanich updated the CITY COUNCIL on traffic control at Rancho Vista School. He stated he believed the concerns have been addressed regarding the Traffic Control Officer position at this location, noting that only deputies (Gazeley, Del Pinto and Yockey) from the Sheriff's Department will be utilized at this location. He reviewed the background of this position, and how it was staffed in the past. In answer to an inquiry, Captain Zuanich stated the Sheriff's Department's next opportunity to interview candidates from the service list for this Traffic Control Officer position will be in August 2006. Until then, there will be the same three deputies assigned to the Rancho Vista School site, to insure everything runs smoothly. COUNCIL thanked Captain Zuanich for his quick response to this situation.

B. REQUEST FOR CITY CONTRIBUTION TO FUND IMPROVEMENTS FOR PALOS VERDES HIGH SCHOOL POOL

Ms. Kate Cocke requested COUNCIL consider donating monies toward the cost of constructing a new swimming pool at Palos Verdes High School. She added that this pool, when completed, would be used by community members, YMCA summer swim programs, and all Peninsula High Schools' teams as well. In answer to an inquiry, Ms. Cocke stated the total cost for the pool, decking, fencing, and a building for lockers/showers and storage is estimated at \$2.5 million. To date, \$1.8 million has been raised. Included in this \$1.8 million is a \$1 million school bond, and \$20,000 from the City of RPV (with a \$10,000 challenge to the City of PVE), and \$2,000 from the City of Rolling Hills (with a \$1,000 challenge to the City of PVE).

COUNCILMAN ZERUNYAN moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL

THAT THE SUBJECT OF DONATING MONIES TOWARD A NEW POOL PROPOSED AT PALOS VERDES HIGH SCHOOL BE INCLUDED ON THE BUDGET STUDY SESSION AGENDA.

AYES: Addleman, Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman

PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

A. PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF MARCH 6, 2006

COUNCILMAN ADDLEMAN moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL

TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF MARCH 6, 2006.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR ZUCKERMAN SO ORDERED.

B. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR PROPOSITION 40 BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2098 to approve the application for Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris Block Grant Funds under the Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2002.

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

1. RESOLUTION NO. 2098 FOR ADOPTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES APPROVING THE APPLICANT TO APPLY FOR THE GRANT FUNDS FOR THE ROBERTI-Z'BERG-HARRIS BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, AND COASTAL PROTECTION ACT OF 2002.

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded by COUNCILMAN ADDLEMAN

TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2098.

City Manager Prichard read Resolution No. 2098 by title only.

AYES: Addleman, Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman

C. SCOPE OF SERVICES, LETTER OF AGREEMENT, AND RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS' SELECTION OF PENINSULA VILLAGE AS A 2% DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with SCAG for consultant services indicated in the attached scope of services, and further that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2095 indicating City support of SCAG in these planning efforts.

1. RESOLUTION NO. 2095 FOR ADOPTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES SUPPORTING THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG) UPON ITS SELECTION OF PENINSULA VILLAGE AS A 2% STRATEGY DEMONSTRATION COMMUNITY.

COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL

TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2095.

City Manager Prichard read Resolution No. 2095 by title only.

AYES: Addleman, Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman

OLD BUSINESS

*****THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS TAKEN OUT OF ORDER*****

B. BID RESULTS FOR CITY HALL SEISMIC RETROFIT AND COUNCIL CHAMBERS RESTROOMS ADA RENOVATION PROJECT

Recommendation: That City Council accept the bid submitted by Caltech Corporation for the City Hall seismic hazard reduction and ADA renovations for two (2) restrooms in the City Hall Council Chambers totaling \$161,000.00 and enter into the attached Contract Agreement.

Community Services Director Clark provided a staff report (per agenda material). He added that all references rated Caltec Corporation as an outstanding contractor whose scope of work involved a variety of public building renovations, which included both seismic hazard reduction and ADA compliance measures.

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded by COUNCILMAN ADDLEMAN

TO ACCEPT THE BID SUBMITTED BY CALTECH CORPORATION FOR THE CITY HALL SEISMIC HAZARD REDUCTION AND ADA RENOVATIONS FOR TWO (2) RESTROOMS IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS TOTALING \$161,000.00 AND ENTER INTO THE ATTACHED CONTRACT AGREEMENT.

AYES: Addleman, Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman

A. RESOLUTION NO. 2096 FOR ADOPTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES SUPPORTING AB 2015 (LIEU), WHICH ENHANCES MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATION ON THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (SCAQMD) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded by COUNCILMAN ADDLEMAN

TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2096.

City Manager Prichard read Resolution No. 2096 by title only.

AYES: Addleman, Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman

C. RESOLUTION NO. 2094 (A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT), ORDINANCE NO. 633 [AMENDING CHAPTER 17.37 (MIXED-USE OVERLAY DISTRICT) OF THE ROLLING HILLS ESTATES MUNICIPAL CODE, FOR SECOND READING], AND RESOLUTION NO. 2093 APPROVING PROJECT ENTITLEMENTS FOR PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 34-05; APPLICANT: BRUCE SOROUDI; LOCATION: 627 DEEP VALLEY DRIVE SOUTHEAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF DRYBANK DRIVE AND DEEP VALLEY DRIVE

MAYOR ZUCKERMAN suggested considering the three items (Resolution No. 2094; Ordinance No. 633, and Resolution 2093) separately.

1. RESOLUTION NO. 2094 FOR ADOPTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES, AMENDING THE LAND USE ELEMENT AND HOUSING ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN TO PERMIT A MAXIMUM RESIDENTIAL DENSITY OF FORTY (40) DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE AT 627 DEEP VALLEY DRIVE. APPLICANT: BRUCE SOROUDI, MAXXAM ENTERPRISES; LOCATION: 627 DEEP VALLEY DRIVE

COUNCILMAN ADDLEMAN moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS

TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2094.

City Manager Prichard read Resolution No. 2094 by title only.

AYES: Addleman, Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman

2. ORDINANCE NO. 633 FOR SECOND READING AND ADOPTION

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES, AMENDING CHAPTER 17.37 (MIXED-USE OVERLAY DISTRICT) OF THE ROLLING HILLS ESTATES MUNICIPAL CODE WITH RESPECT TO MAXIMUM PERMITTED RESIDENTIAL DENSITY; LOCATION: 627 DEEP VALLEY DRIVE

COUNCILMAN ADDLEMAN moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS

TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 633.

City Manager Prichard read Ordinance No. 633 by title only.

AYES: Addleman, Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman

3. RESOLUTION NO. 2093 FOR ADOPTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES, APPROVING A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT, A ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT, A TENTATIVE TRACT MAP, A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, A PRECISE PLAN OF DESIGN, A VARIANCE APPLICATION TO EXCEED THE MAXIMUM PERMITTED BUILDING HEIGHT, A VARIANCE APPLICATION TO PERMIT A LESSER SETBACK AREA THAN REQUIRED BY CODE, A MINOR DEVIATION TO EXCEED THE MAXIMUM PERMITTED LOT COVERAGE BY LESS THAN 10%, AND A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR A MIXED-USE PROJECT FOR FIFTY-EIGHT (58) CONDOMINIUM UNITS ON A 1.45-ACRE PARCEL. APPLICANT: BRUCE SOROUDI, MAXXAM ENTERPRISES; LOCATION: 627 DEEP VALLEY DRIVE.

Planning Director Wahba provided a staff report by Niki Cutler, Senior Planner (per agenda material). He noted that the City of Rancho Palos Verdes has requested revision to condition of approval No. 72 regarding the proposed transformer on the slope to the rear of the project site, and submitted language to that effect, and staff would support this revision.

COUNCILWOMAN SEAMANS moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL

TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2093 APPROVING PROJECT ENTITLEMENTS AND THE ASSOCIATED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION; AND TO APPROVE THE REVISION OF CONDITION OF APPROVAL NO. 72 AS INDICATED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

MAYOR ZUCKERMAN suggested that in the leasing industry, it is common to have conditions and agreements between the owner/tenants that employees will be required to park on site. He gave several examples of several leases from some of the larger companies in the industry.

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL suggested adding a condition with language that would reflect MAYOR ZUCKERMAN'S suggestion.

Interim City Attorney Pelletier stated it was her understanding that this matter was discussed and a vote taken at a past meeting. She recommended the COUNCIL re-open this matter and set it for public hearing, in order to give the applicant the right to respond to the proposed additions and revisions.

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL stated she would also like the matter of including the word "roof decks" to the CC&RS, Section 13h, to prohibit using a roof deck for storage of any kind.

After some discussion, it was agreed that the public hearing would only consider the items regarding employees parking issues, and that the revised documents should reflect the changes suggested by the City of Rancho Palos Verdes regarding the transformer and the CC&RS condition prohibiting storage on roof decks.

City Manager Prichard suggested the previous motion made be withdrawn and staff be directed to re-advertise and re-open the public hearing to consider Resolution No. 2093 which will include language as suggested by the City of Rancho Palos Verdes with regard to condition of approval no. 72, employee parking issues, and inclusion of language to condition of approval 13h, to prohibit roof decks being used for storage of any kind.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR ZUCKERMAN SO ORDERED.

CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

COUNCILMAN ADDLEMAN moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL

TO APPOINT KRISTIN PELLETIER AS INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY.

AYES: Addleman, Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman

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.

NONE

MAYOR AND CITY 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 ZUCKERMAN

(1) COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

MAYOR ZUCKERMAN reviewed the following committee appointments:

- National League of Cities Delegate - Councilwoman Mitchell;
- Peninsula Village Implementation Ad Hoc Committee - Mayor Zuckerman and Councilman Zerunyan;
- 50th Anniversary City Celebration Ad Hoc Committee - Mayor Pro Tem Seamans. Mayor Pro Tem Seamans encouraged those residents who would like to participate on the Committee or who had suggestions on what they would like to see included in the day's festivities (in 2007) to call City Hall. She added that on April 4, adding members from the community to the 50th Anniversary City Celebration Ad Hoc Committee would be discussed.

B. MAYOR PRO TEM SEAMANS moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL

TO DIRECT STAFF TO SEND A LETTER TO CALIFORNIA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION URGING CONSIDERATION OF KEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS PRINCIPLES AS THEY MOVE FORWARD WITH THE REFORM OF FEDERAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS LAW

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR ZUCKERMAN SO ORDERED.

C. RESOLUTION NO. 2097 FOR ADOPTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE TO SECURE LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM SEAMANS

TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2097.

City Manager Prichard read Resolution No. 2097 by title only.

AYES: Addleman, Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman

CLOSED SESSION

NONE

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:16 p.m., MAYOR ZUCKERMAN formally adjourned the City Council meeting to Tuesday, March 28, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

Approved by,

Ellen Shinkai
Human Resources Analyst

Douglas R. Prichard
City Clerk