

MINUTES

of a regular meeting of the City Council, City of Redlands, held in the Council Chambers, Safety Hall, 212 Brookside Avenue, on February 16, 1971 at 7:00 P.M.

Planning Commission Items 3:00 P.M. Regular Agenda 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Charles G. DeMirjyn, Vice Mayor
Chresten M. Knudsen, Councilman
Ellsworth E. Miller, Councilman
Sam S. Sewall, Councilman

Ralph P. Merritt, Jr., City Manager
Edward F. Taylor, City Attorney
Peggy A. Moseley, City Clerk
Erwin S. Hein, Redlands Daily Facts
Chuck Palmer, San Bernardino Sun

ABSENT

Jack B. Cummings, Mayor

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance, followed by the invocation by Pastor Howard Welklin of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 2, 1971 were approved with the addition requested by Mayor Cummings that his "Abstain" vote on Resolution No. 2865 relating to parking on Orange Street reflect that "the request from the Downtown Redlands Association which was made during the meeting of September 1, but it was too vague to comment on."

PUBLIC HEARINGS

This being the time and place advertised for the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1433, an ordinance of the City of Redlands - Zone Change No. 125, a change of zone to R-2 (Multiple Family Residential) for approximately 30 acres of land located on the north side of Lugonia Avenue west of Judson Street, Vice Mayor DeMirjyn at this time declared the meeting open as a public hearing for any questions or comments relative to this ordinance. None being forthcoming, the public hearing was declared closed and Ordinance No. 1433 was adopted, on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Knudsen, with waiver of the reading of the ordinance in full, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Knudsen, Miller, Sewall, Vice Mayor DeMirjyn

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor Cummings

ORAL PETITIONS

Mr. Leigh Nickerson, a resident of the Redlands area since 1903, addressed Council with his concern that pollution is sharply decreasing the productivity of orange trees and driving the orange growers out of business in the City of Redlands. Mr. Nickerson stated that a study of a grove adjacent to Redlands Boulevard prior to the installation of Freeway 10 proved that the first row of orange trees produced five boxes of oranges, the next row produced twenty-five boxes, the third row fifty, and the fourth row from the boulevard, one hundred twenty-five. Mr. Nickerson urged that the same effort which has been used to put a man on the moon be used to eradicate air pollution. Vice Mayor DeMirjyn thanked Mr. Nickerson for this presentation. The Council commented on various aspects of pollution, and Mr. Taylor summarized the present legal steps being taken to help solve pollution problems from industry and automobiles.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

As considered by the City Council at a regular meeting thereof held on February 16, 1971 at 3:00 P.M.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS (Continued)

Present: Vice Mayor DeMirjyn, Councilmen Knudsen, Miller, Sewall;
 Attorney Bill Brunick
 Absent: Mayor Cummings

1. Conditional Use Permit No. 172 - Higdon and Zeiner

That the request of D. L. Higdon and E. J. Zeiner for a Conditional Use Permit in an R-2 Zone to construct a 125-space mobile home park on twenty acres located on the north side of Lugonia Avenue, 1650 feet west of Judson Street, be approved subject to the recommendations of all departments as contained in Planning Commission minutes dated February 9, 1971. On motion of Councilman Knudsen, seconded by Councilman Miller, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was adopted by the City Council.

2. R.P.C. No. 337 - Zone Change No. 126 - Ramona Land Developments

That R.P.C. No. 337, a resolution of the Planning Commission for adoption of Zone Change No. 126 - creating a change of zone from M-1 to R-2 District for approximately 26.2 acres located west of New York Street extended and northeast of Interstate 10 at the Tennessee Street interchange, be approved. On motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Knudsen, R.P.C. No. 337 was approved by the City Council. Ordinance No. 1435, an ordinance to establish Zone Change No. 126, was introduced and laid over under the rules with public hearing set for March 2, 1971 at 7:00 P.M.

3. Commission Review and Approval for Conditional Use Permit No. 166 - Henry S. Henschel

This request for review and approval of revised site plan and elevations for an approved apartment complex to be located at the northwest corner of Pine Avenue and New York Street was returned for Council clarification as to whether this is a rental subsidy program.

Mr. Henschel gave a detailed resume of his plans for this development; his long experience with this type of Federal interest supplement; explained the income limitations in which eligibility for these apartments would fall, stressing that this was not low-income housing; answered questions directed by both the Council and the audience; and offered to furnish bus transportation for the Council, Planning Commission and Housing Commission to visit two of his developments of this type in San Bernardino.

Miss Gertrude Hagum requested a delay in Council decision in order that this might be considered by the Housing Commission at their meeting of February 25, 1971.

Also speaking were Mrs. F. D. Atkinson and Mrs. Lawrence J. Patton.

Following discussion, on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Sewall, decision on this matter was tabled to March 2, 1971 at 3:00 P.M.

On motion of Councilman Knudsen, seconded by Councilman Miller, Mr. Schindler was requested to return this matter to the Planning Commission to be considered as a Planning Action only.

After considering a possible trip by bus to view the developments suggested by Mr. Henschel, Council concluded that those able to do so should go by individual transportation. They will view the Mayfield and Meridian developments in San Bernardino Saturday, February 20.

PARK COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

Councilman Sewall brought a request from the Park Commission that the City Attorney prepare an ordinance to require new developers to dedicate land to the city or pay an equal amount of money in lieu of land for park and recreation purposes. City Attorney Taylor stated that he was reviewing a similar ordinance of the City of Los Angeles, and studying the legality of such an ordinance in depth.

COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution
 No. 2865
 Parking on
 Orange St.

City Manager Merritt read a letter from the Downtown Redlands Association requesting that the action in Resolution No. 2865 to remove parking on the west side of Orange Street between Citrus Avenue and State Street be held in abeyance. Council discussed the matter at length, and heard comments from two property owners in this area.

COMMUNICATIONS (Continued)

Attorney Taylor advised that the motion should provide that Resolution No. 2865 not take effect until May 1, 1971. Councilman Miller so moved, seconded by Councilman Knudsen, and carried by AYE votes of all present.

Vice Mayor DeMirjyn read a letter from Jack Holmes of the Grayback Council of the Boy Scouts of America thanking the Council for their participation in the Lincoln Day Pilgrimage.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance
No. 1430
Traffic

Ordinance No. 1430, an ordinance of the City of Redlands amending the Traffic Code of the City to prohibit the obstructing of official traffic signs or devices and the parking of motor trucks in residential districts, was given second reading of the title and adopted, on motion of Councilman Sewall, seconded by Councilman Knudsen, with waiver of the reading of the ordinance in full, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Knudsen, Miller, Sewall, Vice Mayor DeMirjyn
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Cummings

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution
No. 2866
Street
Vacation

City Manager Merritt explained the desire of the City to vacate land in excess of that needed for city streets and right-of-way along New York Street and Pine Avenue. On motion of Councilman Sewall, seconded by Councilman Knudsen, Resolution No. 2866, a resolution of the City of Redlands declaring the intention to vacate portions of New York Street and Pine Avenue, and setting the public hearing on this dedication for 7:00 P.M. on the 16th of March, 1971, was adopted by AYE votes of all present.

Parking
Holidays

Councilman Sewall commented on what he considers a discrepancy between parking holidays and legal holidays. Following discussion, the matter was referred to the Downtown Redlands Association for recommendation concerning parking meter holidays.

CITY MANAGER

City Manager Merritt presented a proposal by the Redlands Golf and Country Club to dedicate property to the City for the widening of Mariposa Street provided the City will install the improvements and assuming the obligation to widen the crossing in a reasonable length of time. Following lengthy Council discussion, which included a request for presentation at the next meeting of a list of priorities for other gas tax projects, the matter was tabled for two weeks.

Purchase of an electronic programmable calculator by the Water Division was authorized on motion of Councilman Knudsen, seconded by Councilman Miller, with approval of transfer of \$3,180 from the General Plant Contingency Fund - Structures and Improvements, to Office Equipment.

Bills and salaries were ordered paid as approved by the Finance Committee.

Councilman Sewall reminded Council that the Police Department will be next for efficiency and effectiveness study.

No further business demanding attention at this time, on motion the Council adjourned at 8:20 P.M. to an adjourned regular meeting to be held on February 23, 1971 at 1:30 P. M. for Civics Day.

Next regular meeting, March 2, 1971.

ATTEST:

Karl B. Cummings
Mayor of the City of Redlands

Peggy A. Spunley
City Clerk

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