

MINUTES of a regular meeting of the City Council, City of Redlands, held in the Council Chambers, Safety Hall, 212 Brookside Avenue, on September 2, 1975 at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT Jack B. Cummings, Mayor
Ellsworth E. Miller, Vice Mayor
Charles G. DeMirjyn, Councilman
Chresten M. Knudsen, Councilman
Bertha Rose Grace, Councilwoman

Garry W. Brown, Assistant City Manager
Douglas F. Welebir, Deputy City Attorney
Peggy A. Moseley, City Clerk
Erwin S. Hein, Redlands Daily Facts
Rita Busby, San Bernardino Sun

ABSENT R. P. Merritt, Jr., City Manager

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance, followed by Councilman DeMirjyn DeMirjyn leading the Council, the staff, and the audience, in one stanza of "God Bless America."

Mayor Cummings introduced Rita Busby, reporter for the San Bernardino Sun.

Certificate
of
Appreciation

Mayor Cummings called Beverly Robertson to the podium and briefly described his career with the City, spanning almost twenty years, from October 24, 1955 to September 5, 1975. For nearly all of that time Mr. Robertson has been the construction inspector for the City. Mayor Cummings commented on what a very special person Bev is, what a good representative of the City, and how professional and efficient his work has always been. Mayor Cummings presented a certificate for loyal service to the City, welcomed Mrs. Robertson and wished to both of them a pleasant retirement.

BIDS ** The following bids for two 1976 disposal compactor trucks for the Disposal Department were opened and publicly declared in the office of the City Clerk at 10:00 A.M. this date as follows:

Disposal
Compactor
Trucks

	Body Type:	Total:
Cochran & Nichols, Inc. Ontario, CA	Leach	\$33,893.50
	Heil	\$33,225.75
Dieterich International San Bernardino, CA	Leach	\$29,580.68
	Heil	\$36,124.00
Master Truck Fountain Valley, CA	Heil	\$36,951.00
	Leach	\$37,322.00
Park Ford Automotive Huntington Park, CA	Leach	\$38,148.00
	Heil	\$31,419.43
Peck Road Ford Whittier, CA	Gar-Wood	\$35,717.76
Trans-West Ford Truck Sales Fontana, CA	Gar-Wood	\$34,422.39

The bids were studied by the Disposal Department, and it is the recommendation at this time that two trucks be purchased from Dieterich International Truck Sales of San Bernardino, whose bid was the lowest and was fully qualified. Following discussion, on motion of Councilman DeMirjyn, seconded by Councilwoman Grace, the bid was unanimously awarded to Dieterich International in the amount of \$29,580.68 each for a total amount of \$59,161.36.

Highland
Avenue
Reservoir

On August 14, 1975 bids were received from ten contractors for construction of the ten million gallon Highland Avenue reservoir. The low bid was submitted by Ecco Contractors of Santa Ana in the amount of \$1,615,191.00, with an allowable deduction of \$69,000.00 if the Redlands Water Company reservoir could be utilized as a disposal site for excessive excavation. Negotiations were conducted with the Redlands Water Company to remove the open reservoir from service and permit the site

** The minutes of the regular meeting of August 19, 1975 were approved

BIDS (Continued)

Redlands
Water
Company

to be used for disposal of excess soil.

The conditions required by the Redlands Water Company to take the reservoir out of service are contained in a letter dated August 26, 1975 to Mr. Jack Shefchik. These conditions have been reviewed by the staff and would require installation of several facilities with a total estimated cost of \$13,400.00. This would result in a net savings to the City of approximately \$55,600.00.

Bid Award
Highland
Avenue
Reservoir

It is the recommendation of the Department of Public Works and of J. M. Montgomery Consulting Engineers for the City that award be made to the Ecco Contractors in the total amount of \$1,546,191.00, with the use of the reservoir for a disposal site, and the compliance with the requirements of the Redlands Water Company. On motion of Councilman DeMirjyn, seconded by Councilman Knudsen, unanimous approval was given the above recommendations and award was authorized to Ecco Contractors in the amount of \$1,546,191.00

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Resolution
No. 3201
Street &
Alley
Vacation

Resolution No. 3199 set the public hearing on vacation of street and alley property within the redevelopment area for this time and place. Mayor Cummings opened the meeting as a public hearing for any questions or comments concerning this street and alley vacation. None being forthcoming, the public hearing was declared closed, and Resolution No. 3201, a resolution of the City of Redlands ordering the work on street and alley vacation within the redevelopment project, was unanimously adopted on motion of Councilwoman Grace, seconded by Councilman Knudsen, with waiver of reading the resolution in full, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Miller, DeMirjyn, Knudsen, Grace; Mayor Cummings
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONSPlanning Commission

1. Commission Review and Approval No. 330 - J. Overton Pratt - Appeal

Mrs. Frances Somers filed an appeal to the Council's approval of Planning Commission action on CRA No. 330.

Mr. Michael Barr of El Cerrito, the appellant's grandson, spoke briefly stating that the building will be ugly, the architecture is not attractive, the light and noise will be a nuisance to his grandmother who lives next door, and a tennis court should not be permitted in this zone.

Community Director Schindler explained that tennis courts are permitted even in the R-1 Zone. Council discussed the matter briefly, expressed regret for Mrs. Somers' problem, stated that the zoning is commercial and, on motion of Councilman DeMirjyn, seconded by Councilman Miller, denied the appeal by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Miller, DeMirjyn, Grace; Mayor Cummings
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Councilman Knudsen as he is doing engineering design for the building
ABSENT: None

2. Non-conforming Use - Martinez Grocery - 1035 Calhoun

Community Director Schindler stated that a petition with ninety-four percent of the signatures of the neighbors favoring continuation of the use was received in connection with this time extension request. The Department outlined five requirements which it recommended be conditions for the granting of a time extension. Following discussion, staff was authorized to prepare a resolution for the next Council meeting granting the twenty year time extension and outlining the requirements, on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Knudsen.

Dr. Miller commented on the attractive refurbishment of the Bungalow Market on Sixth Street and Colton Avenue, which has just recently been given a time extension.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS (Continued)

Mr. Martinez stated that he is going to do additional repairs and requested that he be allowed to frame the murals presently on the building and paint the remainder. This was satisfactory with the Council.

3. Lot Split No. 450 - Eris S. Pohl - Waiver of Sewer Requirement

Mr. Pohl described the cost of the extension of sanitary sewer in Pacific Street to the property which he is intending to build upon. Council briefly discussed the soil percolation in the area which is reported to be very bad. Following further discussion, on motion of Councilman DeMirjyn, seconded by Councilwoman Grace, the request was denied unanimously.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Mr. Jerry Haislip, Chairman of the DRD Traffic Subcommittee brought Council a listing of concerns of his committee pertaining to the parking, traffic and pedestrian flow in the new Mall. He stated that the merchants on State Street have concern about being cut off from the Mall customers if the traffic is not two-way in and out of the Mall at Orange and State Streets.

Mall Design
State and
Orange
Streets

Councilwoman Grace urged that everything possible be done to maintain continuous business flow between the Mall and the east State Street merchants.

Councilman Knudsen stressed that the Mall be so designed at the State/Orange Street intersection that it be able to accommodate traffic in both directions, thus permitting a choice.

After brief discussion with Mr. Haislip, Council concurred that this matter should be referred to the Traffic Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

Council received a request for financial help for the Mexico Fiesta scheduled for September 12-13, 1975 to be held in the old Santa Fe depot. This request for \$400.00 comes from the League of United Latin American Citizens.

Funds
Mexico
Fiesta

Following discussion, Councilman DeMirjyn moved that as the City is not presently active in a Mexican Sister-City Program requiring any expenditure of funds, the \$400.00 be granted from the General Fund. This motion was seconded by Councilman Miller and approved unanimously.

It was announced that the Cask 'N Cleaver has received an on-sale alcoholic beverage license.

Annexation

Mayor Cummings announced receipt of a petition from the Redlands Express Company asking that their land adjacent to the City be annexed. This matter was referred to staff to be studied and considered in connection with other parcels the City is interested in annexing.

Councilwoman Grace volunteered to represent the Council and serve on the planning committee for the dedication of the San Bernardino County Museum. This will take place on Saturday morning, November 22, 1975. Mayor Cummings asked Council members to note this date.

Mayor Cummings reminded staff of the forthcoming League of California Cities meeting on October 19-22 in San Francisco.

Nuisance
Dumping
on
Private
Property

Councilman Knudsen brought to Council's attention a petition containing sixteen signatures from property owners in the area east of Orange Street and north of San Bernardino Avenue for assistance to abate a problem of people dumping on this property. The signers request that the City haul away the debris, give extra police patrol, and close the extension of Occidental Street between San Bernardino Avenue and Pioneer Street.

COMMUNICATIONS (Continued)

Fire-
Retardant
Shingles

Council discussed this matter at length and expressed concern for problems created for the owners, but explained that the City could not clean this private property. Chief Graefe stated that there is an ordinance against dumping and violators can be cited. Councilman Knudsen requested that Council drive by the area. Following discussion the matter was referred to staff for study and possible recommendations.

Council then discussed the City ordinance which requires fire-retardant shingles on any building within 2,500 feet of brush area, which is essentially considered to be Sunset Drive and San Timoteo Canyon. This matter was discussed at great length. Following a reminder by Chief Budd of the 1961 Belaire fire and a description of possible destruction caused by burning shingled roofs in brush areas, Council concurred in supporting the present ordinance by AYE votes of all.

Sunday
Bus

The matter of City subsidy of Sunday bus service was considered briefly and referred to staff on motion of Councilman DeMirjyn, seconded by Councilwoman Grace.

Commendation
Police &
Fire Depart-
ments

Councilman DeMirjyn commended Detectives Harbison and Rouse for outstanding work. Council joined in expressing pride and satisfaction with the speed with which the Police and Fire Departments respond to calls.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolution
No. 3203
SANBAG
Funding

The Council meeting of August 5th tabled the matter of the method of financing SANBAG to this meeting. Mayor Cummings explained the recommendation of the Executive Board of SANBAG which is to support this entity by a contribution of one-half of one percent of each jurisdiction's sales tax by the cities and county of San Bernardino.

Mayor Cummings explained that the five percent which the City has been contributing to County Building Bonds will shortly be available as the bonds will be paid, and the one-half of one percent would be a painless way of supporting SANBAG. Councilman DeMirjyn stated that he felt this to be a county responsibility. Both the financing and the actual value of SANBAG were discussed at length. On motion of Councilwoman Grace, seconded by Councilman Miller, Resolution No. 3203, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redlands, declaring its intention to amend the sales and use tax ordinance, was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Miller, Knudsen, Grace; Mayor Cummings
NOES: Councilman DeMirjyn
ABSENT: None

Resolution
No. 3202
Masonry
Storage
Yard

Resolution No. 3202, a resolution of the City Council granting a three-year time extension, from September 15, 1975 to September 15, 1978, for the non-conforming use known as Masonry Contractor Storage on Ohio Street, was unanimously adopted on motion of Councilman DeMirjyn, seconded by Councilwoman Grace, subject to the requirements contained in the resolution.

NEW BUSINESS

Two-hour
Parking

Mr. Julian Blakeley, President of the Chamber of Commerce, recommended that any consideration of extending the present two-hour parking on parking lots to four-hour parking be tabled until a study can be made by the Chamber of Commerce and the DRD. Following brief discussion, on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilwoman Grace, the matter was unanimously tabled to the first meeting in October.

CITY MANAGER

Revenue
Sharing
Funds
Lighting

Assistant City Manager Garry Brown explained that poor lighting at the City Yards is allowing tools and gasoline to be stolen. He recommended installation of four low-sodium lights in the approximate amount of \$2,100.00. On motion of Councilman DeMirjyn, seconded by Councilman Miller, unanimous approval was given to the installation of the lights, with the \$2,100.00 to be taken from the revenue sharing for this purpose.

Street
Dedication
Wolf &
Chandler

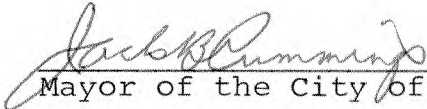
On motion of Councilwoman Grace, seconded by Councilman Miller, declaration of dedication for street right-of-way purposes in connection with Commission Review and Approval No. 332, was unanimously authorized for acceptance by the City from Fred O. Wolf and Paul L. Chandler.

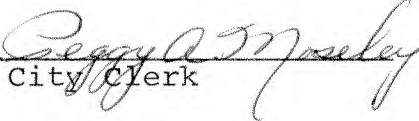
Bills and salaries were ordered paid as approved by the Finance Committee.

There being no further business, Council adjourned, on motion, at 8:25 P.M.

Next regular meeting, September 16, 1975.

ATTEST:


Mayor of the City of Redlands


City Clerk

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