MINUTES

of a regular meeting of the City Council, City of Redlands, held in the Council Chambers, Safety Hall, 212 Brookside Avenue, on March 16, 1976, at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Charles G. DeMirjyn, Mayor Chresten M. Knudsen, Vice Mayor Ellsworth E. Miller, Councilman Bertha Rose Grace, Councilwoman Warren R. Elliott, Councilman

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

ABSENT

None

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance, followed by the invocation by Mayor DeMirjyn.

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 9, 1976, were approved as submitted.

BIDS

The following bids for construction on Fifth Avenue from Dearborn to Wabash Avenue were opened and publicly declared in the office of the City Clerk at 10:00 A.M. this date:

A-J Construction, San Bernardino \$121,613.20 Fontana Paving, Inc., Fontana 122,771.80 Kruger McGrew Construction Company, San Bernardino 129,301.65 E. L. Yeager Construction Company, Inc., Riverside 133,267.00

Award Fifth Ave.

Following study by the Department of Public Works, it is recommened that the contract be awarded to A-J Construction in the amount of Construction \$121,613.20 as this is the lowest bid and meets all specifications. On motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Elliott, unanimous approval was given to the award as recommended.

ORAL PETITIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Fred Ford of 49 Summit Avenue stated that he was speaking as a citizen and asked that Council give some direction to commissions and added that specifically he was referring to the excess material removed from the site in this Fifth Avenue construction which he believed could have been moved more economically to Highland Avenue Reservior Project rather than to Redevelopment Area.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

C.U.P. No. 223 Extension Planning Commission - Council received a request from the C-Y Development Company for a six-month extension for Conditional Use Permit No. 223. It was explained that lengthy delays had arisen in obtaining FHA approval and that this was now received. Following discussion, on motion of Councilwoman Grace, seconded by Councilman Miller, unanimous approval was given to a six-month extension for Conditional Use Permit No. 223.

Recreation Commission - Councilman Knudsen reported that Mr. Rich Kennedy was elected chairman of the Recreation Commission and Dr. Miller vice-chairman. Dr. Miller invited everyone to view the Bicycle Motocross in the reservoir.

APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Notice was brought to the Council from the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control of application for a license for on-sale beer and wine at Lucky's Coffee Shop.

COMMUNICATIONS

Councilman Elliott, seconded by Councilman Knudsen, moved to send an appropriately worded framed resolution to David Hester in appreciation of his design for the City Flag.

NEW BUSINESS

To initiate procedures for the Library Bond Measure which Council proposes to place on the June 8, 1976, ballot, the following actions are necessary.

Letter of Employment

On Motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilwoman Grace, the firm of Rutan and Tucker was unanimously approved as legal attorneys for the bond issue and the Letter of Employment approved.

Resolution No. 3241 Acquisition and Construction

Resolution No. 3241, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redlands, determining that the public interest and necessity demand the acquisition and construction of certain municipal improvements, was unanimously adopted on motion of Councilwoman Grace, seconded by Councilman Knudsen.

Ordinance No. 1574

Calling Bond Election Ordinance No. 1574, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Redlands ordering, calling, providing for, and giving notice of a special election to be held in the City of Redlands on June 8, 1976, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City a proposition to incur bonded indebtedness by said City for the improvements to the City's public library, was given first reading of the title and laid over under the rules.

Resolution No. 3242 Authorizing

Arguments

Resolution No. 3242, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redlands authorizing certain of its members to file a written argument for a City Measure, was unanimously adopted on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Knudsen.

Resolution No. 3243 Requesting Consolidation Resolution No. 3243, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redlands requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino to consolidate the bond election of the City with that being held on June 8, 1976, the direct Primary Statewide Election, was unanimously adopted on motion of Councilwoman Grace, seconded by Councilman Knudsen.

Resolution No. 3244

Tax Statement Resolution No. 3244, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redlands approving the tax statement to be mailed to voters within the City, was unanimously adopted on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Knudsen.

Mayor DeMirjyn recommended that Public Works be directed to proceed at once with the improvement of Vine Street between Cajon and Fourth Street and the improvement of Citrus Avenue between Eureka Street and Orange Street. This motion was made by Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Elliott.

Mr. Merritt stated that heavy construction equipment pounding over the new Citrus Avenue might be damaging to it.

Street Improvement

Building and Safety Director Mitchell explained that the precast cement beams carried by very long trucks and coming off the freeway would go down Orange Street to Citrus Avenue and would find turning and negotiating the new median strip most difficult. This was discussed at length. Councilman Miller moved to amend his motion to state that the time for the Citrus Avenue improvement be set for

NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

Street Improvement July 15 and the time for the Vine Street improvement remain as stated, for the immediate future. This amendment and the original motion were seconded by Councilman Elliott and approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Councilmembers Knudsen, Miller, Elliott, and Mayor

DeMirjyn

NOES: Councilwoman Grace

ABSENT:

Mr. Fred Ford added that streets and gutters were the last installations in a residential development.

CITY MANAGER

Gas Tax Funds

On motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Knudsen, authorization was given for the expenditure of the necessary funds from the Gas Tax monies for thw widening of Vine Street.

SCAG Transportation Funds

On motion of Councilman Knudsen, seconded by Councilwoman Grace, unanimous approval was given for application to SCAG for local transportation funds for 1976-77 in the approximate amount of \$282,486.00. The Director of Public Works was authorized to sign on behalf of the City.

Bowl Fee Strobliters The recommendation of City Manager Merritt that the Strobliters request for a reduction in fee for use of the Redlands Bowl be denied was approved, with the fee to remain at \$40.00 for the first two hours and \$6.00 per hour thereafter. This confirmation was given unanimously on motion of Councilman Knudsen, seconded by Councilman Miller.

Grant Deeds B of R

Acceptance of two grant deeds from the Bank of Redlands to the City for right-of-way purposes in connection with Conditional Use Permit No. 229 were authorized unanimously by the City Council on motion of Councilwoman Grace, seconded by Councilman Miller.

Traffic Safety Grant Funds Expenditure of \$13,500.00 for a Traffic Safety Grant for two especially equipped police units was unanimously approved on motion of Councilman Knudsen, seconded by Councilman Elliott. The funds will come from General Fund Reserves. This expenditure is to be reimbursed by a State administered grant which has received State approval beginning April 1, 1976.

Senior Citizens Center Funds

On motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilwoman Grace, unanimous approval was given to expenditure of \$1,190.00 for demolition of two houses on the future site of the Senior Citizens Center, these funds to be reimbursed by the grant.

CITY ATTORNEY City Attorney Taylor gave a comprehensive report on the status of the litigation between the Progress Group and the City of Redlands which involves the underground parking garage. Mr. Taylor explained the development of the problem and added that he was satisfied with negotiations to date and expected a resolution of the problem in the near future. Councilwoman Grace thanked Mr. Taylor for the information.

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

There being no further business, Council adjourned, on motion, at 8:00 P.M. to Civic Day at 1:30 P.M. on March 23, 1976.

Next regular meeting, April 6, 1976.

ATTEST:

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Mayor of the City of Redlands

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