MINUTES of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held in the Council Chambers, 212 Brookside Avenue, on December 19, 1989, at 3:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Charles G. DeMirjyn, Mayor
Carole Beswick, Mayor Pro Tem
William E. Cunningham, Councilmember
Swen Larson, Councilmember
(evening session only)
Dee Ann Milson, Councilmember

Daniel J. Rodriguez, Acting City Manager
Daniel J. McHugh, City Attorney
Lorrie Poyzer, City Clerk
Jeff Dillon, Redlands Daily Facts
Pamela Fitzsimmons, The Sun

ABSENT

None

The meeting was opened with an invocation by Councilmember Cunningham followed by the pledge of allegiance and singing of America The Beautiful.

Minutes of the special meeting of December 5, 1989, and adjourned regular meeting of December 12, 1989, were approved as submitted. Minutes of the regular meeting of December 5, 1989, were approved as corrected.

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

PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Planning Commission Actions - December 12, 1989

On motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Milson, the report of the last Planning Commission meeting was acknowledged as received.

1989 Residential Development Allocations - Phase IV

Community Development Director Shaw reported that one project was submitted for consideration in the fourth and final phase of the 1989 Residential Development Allocations. The project, a 27 lot subdivision (Tract No. 13575) located south of San Bernardino Avenue, 330 feet west of Judson Street, received 80.5 points. At the meeting, Mr. Shaw indicated staff has further researched the project and amended the total points to 82.5 which is still short of the required 90 minimum. On behalf of the applicant, Michael Atencio reviewed several categories which were contained in a letter dated December 18, 1989. Mr. Shaw responded noting that this was not the proper forum for this review of categories; that the application should be referred back to the Planning Department. Councilmember Beswick moved to award no allocations to RDA 89-IV-1 because the submitted project did not have the minimum number of points to be awarded allocations. Motion seconded by Councilmember Cunningham and carried with Councilmember DeMirjyn voting NO.

Tract No. 12461 - Andly Development Company - Final Approval

On motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Milson, final approval was granted by AYE votes of all present for Tract No. 12461, a subdivision of 5.08 acres located south and adjacent to San Bernardino Avenue and approximately 1,000 feet west of Judson Street into 20 lots, as all requirements have been complied with as contained in Council minutes dated November 15, 1988.

COMMUNICATIONS

Emergency Preparedness Plan

Following the October earthquake in the San Francisco/Oakland area, several members of the City staff visited the affected towns such as Oakland, Watsonville, Los Gatos and Santa Cruz. Police Chief Brickley reported to Council that our Emergency Preparedness Plan is a good workable plan. A briefing will be held on January 24, 1990, and a drill is scheduled to be held in April. The following staff members briefed Council on their observations and presented slides which showed the damage we can expect if an earthquake of this magnitude occurs in our area: Capt. Lewis Nelson, Lt. Clete Hyman and City Engineer Ron Mutter. Fire Chief Ray Mills reported that the emergency support unit will be ready in about 30 days and a heavy rescue support team formed and certified in the near future. Acting Chief Building Official Nick Adams presented the recently completed seismic safety survey and related information. Councilmember Beswick commended staff for their incredible job of establishing the Emergency Preparedness Plan.

Appointments

Student Commissioners

Councilmember Beswick moved to appoint Ann-Marie Boysen as Student Commissioner to the Parks Commission, David Brubacher as Student Commissioner to the Traffic Advisory Commission and Amy Jean Gorsline as Student Commissioner to the Recreation Advisory Commission. Motion seconded by Councilmember Cunningham and carried by AYE votes of all present. A Commissioner's pin was presented to David Brubacher who was present at the meeting. Pins will also be given to the other Student Commissioners.

Outside Connections

Utilities Engineer Gary Phelps reported that 24 allocations for outside the City sewer and water connections for minor projects have been issued this past calendar year; 14 connections have been made. There were two applicants for major projects and 125 allocations were issues; as of today no connections have been made.

Water Supply Conditions

Water Production Superintendent Michael L. Huffstutler prepared a brief but concise summary of current water supply conditions and the status of Redlands' projects. Mr. Huffstutler reported the area is well into a drought cycle and water supplies to Redlands are limited. However, if all programs and projects which are now in progress can be maintained on schedule, the City will be able to meet all of its 1990 water demands.

Water Agreement

Water production Superintendent Michael L. Huffstutler presented copies of an existing and a proposed agreement between the City of San Bernardino and San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District. The intent of the Agreements appears to be that the SBVMWD will participate with the engineering and financing (by grant and by loan) in the construction of facilities to be owned and operated by the City of San Bernardino for the express purpose of lowering groundwater levels in the high groundwater area of the Bunker Hill Basin. Item No. 5 of the existing Agreement provides some protection for downstream users, but does not offer any plan for upstream pumpers who will be impacted by increased pumping in the "pressure zone." Since the SBVMWD does not have a groundwater recharge policy or plan in effect to protect upstream pumpers, the implementation of an agreement of this nature, funded by SBVMWD water sales or the ad valorem tax is not in the best interest of the upstream pumpers. Mr. Huffstutler reported that SBVMWD extended the existing agreement to 1997 at a meeting on Monday. Council commended Mr. Huffstutler for his informative reports.

NAFB Reuse Task Force

Councilmember Milson suggested a task force similar to that utilized for the sand and gravel matter be formed to address the Norton Air Force Base reuse. Following brief discussion, on motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Beswick, Council directed that the City of Highland be approached with this suggestion.

Council recessed at 4:40 P.M. to a Redevelopment Agency meeting and reconvened at 4:41 P.M. to a closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, property acquisition, and pending litigation. In accordance with State law, the City Attorney prepared a confidential memo to Council providing justification for the pending litigation portion of the closed session. Council reconvened at 7:00 P.M. at which time Councilmember Larson was present having arrived from the League of California Cities' meeting held in San Francisco.

PRESENTATIONS

Poster Contest

Mayor DeMirjyn presented 30 certificates to the winners of the recent "The Choice for me is Drug-Free" poster contest held during Red Ribbon Week. The contest which was held for local students in grades 1-6 generated over 900 entries.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public hearings were scheduled to consider Ordinance No. 2101, an ordinance of the City of Redlands amending Chapter 13.68 of the Redlands Municipal Code to establish solid waste disposal and litter control fees; Resolution No. 4594, a resolution of the City of Redlands establishing street sweeping charges; and Ordinance No. 2102, an ordinance of the City of Redlands creating the Solid Waste Commission.

At this time, Claude Johnson, Chairman of the Solid Waste Task Force, reviewed the three options presented for Council's consideration for the solid waste disposal and litter control fees. Councilmembers Larson and Beswick commended members of the task force for their accurate, definitive report. Councilmember Cunningham inquired about the implementation of once a week service for small apartment complexes. Community Services Director Rodriguez responded they will try to implement all options by July 1, 1990. Councilmember Beswick suggested an interim report on the progress be made in April or May. Mayor DeMirjyn then opened the meeting as a public hearing for any questions or comments concerning Ordinance No. 2101. There being no comments, the public hearing was closed.

Ordinance No. 2101

Solid Waste Fees

Ordinance No. 2101, an ordinance of the City of Redlands amending Chapter 13.68 of the Redlands Municipal Code to establish solid waste disposal and litter control fees, was read by title only by City Clerk Poyzer, and on motion of Councilmember Beswick, seconded by Councilmember Larson, further reading of the ordinance text was unanimously waived. Ordinance No. 2101, Option B, was introduced and laid over under the rules with second reading scheduled for January 2, 1990, on motion of Councilmember Beswick, seconded by Councilmember Larson, with Councilmember Cunningham voting NO (as he wanted the once-a-week collection implemented first).

Resolution No. 4594

Mayor DeMirjyn declared the meeting open as a public hearing for any questions or comments concerning Resolution No. 4594, a resolution of the City of Redlands establishing street sweeping charges. City Engineer Ron Mutter reviewed the environmental concerns that need to be addressed noting that street cleaning will be a requirement in the near future. In response to John Moore's inquiry about residents living on private streets, staff reported that each resident will be assessed this charge. Claude Johnson, from the Solid Waste Task Force, noted this is not a new fee; that it has been paid through other funds. There being no further comments the public hearing was declared closed. Councilmember Beswick moved to adopt Resolution No. 4594 to establish the street sweeping charges. Motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and failed by the following vote:
AYES: Councilmembers Beswick, Larson
NOES: Councilmembers Cunningham, Milson; Mayor DeMirjyn

Councilmember Beswick expressed her displeasure with the Council's vote noting the City would continue operating with a deficit. Councilmember Cunningham indicated he would be willing to revisit this matter in another form.

Ordinance No. 2101

Solid Waste Commission

Mayor DeMirjyn declared the meeting open as a public hearing for any questions or comments concerning Ordinance No. 2102, an ordinance of the City of Redlands creating the Solid Waste Commission. None being forthcoming, the public hearing was declared closed. Ordinance No. 2102 was read by title only by City Clerk Poyzer, and on motion of Councilmember Beswick, seconded by Councilmember Larson, further reading of the ordinance text was unanimously waived. Councilmember Beswick moved to introduce Ordinance No. 2102; motion seconded by Councilmember Larson. Councilmember Cunningham felt the Solid Waste Task Force could continue in its present form as he felt a proliferation of commissions was difficult for some. Councilmembers Beswick and Larson felt this was the time to establish a commission which could address future concerns in regards to solid waste. The motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2102 failed by the following vote:
AYES: Councilmembers Beswick Larson
NOES: Councilmembers Cunningham, Milson; Mayor DeMirjyn

Councilmember Beswick requested that this matter be re-scheduled on the next agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Claudine Norris, former downtown merchant, attacked the recent survey regarding downtown services noting she felt there were plenty of places to shop and eat. She expressed her exasperation with City Hall over the years and urged support for the downtown area.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 2098

Specific Plan No. 43

Following the public hearing on December 5, 1989, Ordinance No. 2098 adopting Specific Plan No. 43, the Sunset Hills Specific Plan of Development for approximately 465 acres of land located generally at the southeast corner of Sunset Drive and Alessandro Road, was continued to this time. Noting her possible conflict of interest, Councilmember Beswick left the Council Chambers. Councilmembers again complimented Mo Behzad and Pat Meyer for their planning and implementation of Measure N.

Councilmember Larson moved to approve the Negative Declaration for Specific Plan No. 43 and directed staff to post a "Notice of Determination" in accordance with City guidelines. Motion seconded by Councilmember Cunningham and carried by AYE votes of all present. Councilmember Larson moved to adopt the Specific Plan No. 43 Mitigation Monitoring Program and find that it fulfills the environmental protection intent of Public Resources Code Section 2108(a). Motion seconded by Councilmember DeMirjyn and carried by AYE votes of all present. Ordinance No. 2098, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Redlands adopting Specific Plan No. 43, was read by title only by City Clerk Poyzer, and on motion of Councilmember Larson, seconded by Councilmember DeMirjyn, further reading of the ordinance text was waived. Ordinance No. 2098 was introduced and laid over under the rules with second reading scheduled for January 2, 1990, on motion of Councilmember Larson, seconded by Councilmember Milson, by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers Cunningham, Larson, Milson; Mayor DeMirjyn
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember Beswick

Ramona Drive Gates

City Engineer Ron Mutter reminded Council they discussed the removal of the gate on Ramona Drive at Crescent Avenue on March 21, 1989. An item to remove the gate was scheduled to be acted upon by the City Council on June 6, 1989. However, the various property owners indicated that they would like to attempt to have Ramona Drive vacated and retain the gate in its present location. Staff agreed to allow the property owners sufficient time to prepare and submit the street vacation application. However, six months have passed and no application has been received. At this time, staff is recommending that the gate across Ramona Drive at Crescent Drive be removed within 30 days, and if not removed, that staff be directed to remove said gate. Mr. Mutter informed Council that Mr. Cotton agreed this morning to remove the gate. Councilmember Cunningham moved to approve staff's recommendation. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beswick and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Police and Fire Facilities

The City has an opportunity to purchase a parcel of land opposite the Corporate Yard on Park Avenue for use as a site for a new police facility. The owners of the property have offered it to the City provided we can close escrow by the end of the calendar year. It was also noted that Fire Station No. 1 is rapidly becoming uninhabitable. This station is scheduled to be closed in three years upon the occupancy of a new station on Cypress Avenue. It could be maintained for one more year for approximately $6,000, or it would cost $60,000 to make it inhabitable for the next three years. At this time, it is recommended that the City Council authorize a loan of $504,000 from the Insurance Fund to the Public Facilities Development Fund for the purpose of acquiring a site for a new police facility. It is further recommended that the Council authorize the issuance of Certificates of Participation in the amount of $2,475,000 to reimburse the Public Facilities Development Fund for the purchase of the police site and to construct a fire station on land already owned by the City on Cypress Avenue.

Funds/Loan

City Property

Councilmember Cunningham moved to authorize the purchase of Parcel No. 292-192-19 for $777,797. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beswick and carried unanimously. Councilmember Cunningham moved to approve a loan of $504,000 from the Insurance Fund to the Public Facilities Development Fund to fund the purchase of the site for a new police facility. Motion seconded by Councilmember Milson and carried unanimously.

Certificates of Participation	Noting she felt strongly this was an opportunity to do two things very much needed, Councilmember Beswick moved to approve the issuance of $2,475,000 in Certificates of Participation to repay the loan from the Insurance Fund for purchase of the police facility site and for construction of a fire station on the Cypress Avenue site. Motion seconded by Councilmember Larson. Councilmember Cunningham stated he was opposed to the plan for several reasons and suggested a ballot measure on the June ballot to authorize issuance of general obligation bonds for this purpose. Councilmember Larson expressed his support for placing the matter on the June ballot for the voters. The motion failed by the following vote: AYES: Councilmember Beswick NOES: Councilmembers Cunningham, Larson, Milson; Mayor DeMirjyn
	The following matters were acted upon by the City Council during the afternoon session:
Funds Traffic Signals	On motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Milson, Council authorized by AYE votes of all present the transfer of funds for the traffic signals at Citrus Avenue and Dearborn Street to Cypress Avenue and Cajon Street as recommended by the Traffic Commission at their meeting of November 30, 1989.
Funds Street Improvements	On motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Milson, Council authorized by AYE votes of all present the transfer of funds for the widening and improvement of Eureka Street which will not be constructed during this fiscal year to the Colton Avenue Improvements Project.
Funds Truck Route Signs	On motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Milson, Council appropriated $7,500 from the General Fund for the funding of truck route signing as established by the City Council on December 5, 1989.
Funds Paramedic Schooling	On motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Milson, Council authorized by AYE votes of all present funding of $8,700 to certify three firefighters to the level of paramedic which will assist the Fire Department to meet the increasing demands on their emergency medical delivery system.
Funds B.I.D. Lights	On motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Milson, Council authorized an additional appropriation of $25,000 from the B.I.D. fund for special lighting in the Business Improvement District. The entire B.I.D. sky-line is to be outlined with white lights which will be permanently installed and turned on for the Christmas holidays, market nights, and special events.
Resolution No. 4592 Salary	On motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Milson, Council adopted by AYE votes of all present Resolution No. 4592, a resolution of the City of Redlands rescinding Resolution No. 4585 and establishing a salary schedule and compensation plan for City employees which implements the equity salary increases negotiated in the 1989-90 Memorandum of Understanding with the General Employees Association and other changes listed in the staff report prepared for this meeting.
Plan Check Contract	On motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Milson, Council approved by AYE votes of all present the contractural agreement between the Redlands Fire Department and Robert R. McKaughan of Damage Control Associates, a fire prevention engineering consulting firm for the purpose of reviewing all engineering data necessary for plan review of automatic fire extinguishing systems and automatic fire alarm systems.
Computer Operations Internal Service Fund	It was recommended that the City Council establish the City's Computer Operation as a self-sufficient, internal service fund whereby total costs, including fixed asset replacement, personnel salaries and benefits, general administration overhead and all support services, be covered through user charges. Councilmember Milson indicated she wished to continue this item to obtain more information, and she suggested this was an example of matters she would like to have a Citizens Financial Advisory Committee review. Staff was directed to schedule time for a discussion about the possible formation of this committee on the next agenda. Finance Director Kaenel assured Council continuing the action on a Computer Operations Internal Service Fund would not cause his department any difficulties as they were planning to implement the program for the next fiscal year for better accounting for the computer system. Therefore, on motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Milson, this matter was continued by AYE votes of all present.
Capital Improvement Programs	On motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Milson, Council adopted by AYE votes of all present the Water and Wastewater Capital Improvement Programs for fiscal year 1989-90 through fiscal year 1993-94.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

Next regular meeting, January 2, 1990.

Mayor of the City of Redlands

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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