

MINUTES of an adjourned regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held in the City Hall Plaza, 2 East Citrus Avenue, Suite 15C, on May 19, 1992 at 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT Charles G. DeMirjyn, Mayor  
Swen Larson, Mayor Pro Tem  
William E. Cunningham, Councilmember  
Dee Ann Milson, Councilmember  
Jim Foster, Councilmember

James D. Wheaton, City Manager  
Ronald C. Mutter, Assistant City Manager  
Daniel J. McHugh, City Attorney  
Beatrice Sanchez, Deputy City Clerk  
Pamela Fitzsimmons, The Sun

ABSENT None

Recycling Program - Deputy Public Works Director/Utilities Gary Phelps reported to Council that the Redlands curbside recycling pilot program has been in place for four years covering 55% of the single family residential units and is picked up every other week. Discussions with participants has revealed three major factors which have led to the low rate of participation: (1) Confusion over the inconsistent and infrequent collection schedule; (2) Inconvenience and unsanitary nuisance of having to store recyclables for a two-week period; (3) Inconvenience of storing into three separate bags, plus newspapers; and (4) Confusion of which recyclables are accepted. Collection of recyclables the same day as regular solid waste each week and implementation of a more efficient Citywide program will encourage greater participation which will help the City meet the requirements under AB 939. In response to Councilmember Foster's inquiry, Public Works Director Ron Mutter stated that the yard waste program will continue as presently set up (once-a-week pick up). Utilities Manager Huffstutler reported that the recycling program is not practical for multi-family housing complexes. Following further discussion regarding the numerous recyclable collections programs at various locations in addition to the curbside collection, Public Works Director Mutter was asked to provide Council a quarterly report on the progress of what has been collected for recycling, thus diverted from the landfill. Also present in the audience were Solid Waste Task Force members Claude Johnson, George Webber and Robert Pierce who concurred the City should pursue the recycling of yard waste Citywide. Councilmember Larson then moved to approve the implementation of the expansion of curbside recycling from a pilot program to a Citywide program and conversion to a commingled bag system with weekly collection. Motion seconded by Councilmember Milson and carried unanimously.

Computer Purchase - Finance Director Steven Chapman explained that over the last seven years, the City's central computer has been utilized to its fullest potential and is incapable of meeting current and future service demands. Increased down time due to hardware failure, with the average time between failures being one week, is being experienced. Data Processing Manager David Villegas then reviewed the problems experienced because of the inadequate central computer, the benefits of a computer with greater capacity which would also increase speed and recommended the purchase of a new central computer. Councilmember Cunningham inquired about a proposal from ESRI which also included training for staff. Mr. Villegas explained that ESRI is able to provide the staff training and software at no cost, but we would have to invest in hardware and the conversion program; any piece that is purchased must be modified to suit the purchaser's needs. Data Processing staff conducted a series of meetings and tests and concluded that of the five companies reviewed General Automation proved to be the most compatible with the City's needs. GA would achieve five times the current computer's processing speed. Councilmember Cunningham stated he had a problem with purchasing another computer and suggested an operating lease of the computer in light of the rapid changes in the computer business. Councilmember Foster moved to continue this matter to another study session to hear a presentation from ESRI and pursuing a lease option as opposed to purchasing a computer. Motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 A.M.  
Next regular meeting, May 19, 1992, at 3:00 P.M.

ATTEST:

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