MINUTES of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held in the Council Chambers, 212 Brookside Avenue, on March 16, 1993, at 3:00 P.M.

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

James D. Wheaton, City Manager
Ronald C. Mutter, Assistant City Manager
Gary Luebbers, Assistant City Manager
Daniel J. McHugh, City Attorney
Lorrie Poyzer, City Clerk
Ted Thomaidis, Redlands Daily Facts
Bill Rogers, The Sun

ABSENT
Dee Ann Milson, Councilmember

The meeting was opened with an invocation by Mayor Pro Tem Larson followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes of the special meeting of February 22, 1993, the adjourned regular meeting of February 23, 1993, the regular meeting of March 2, 1993, and the adjourned regular meeting of March 10, 1993, were approved as submitted.

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

PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Minor Subdivision No. 211 - Time Extension - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, Council approved a one year time extension to April 23, 1994, by AYE votes of all present, for Minor Subdivision No. 211, a subdivision of 5.48 acres of land divided into five parcels ranging in size from 0.69 acres to 1.40 acres for property located in the East Valley Corridor Specific Plan/Commercial Industrial District at 11019 Kansas Street (Manuel Ruiz, applicant).

COMMUNICATIONS

Santa Ana River Wash Coordinating Committee - On March 2, 1993, the City Council approved a memorandum of understanding regarding the coordinated planning activities pertaining to the Santa Ana River Wash area. Councilmember Foster moved to designated Councilmember Milson as one of the two representatives from the City. Motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and carried by AYE votes of all present. Councilmember Foster indicated he desired to serve on this committee as the area is within the district he represents. Noting he had served on the prior committee for the past three years, Councilmember Cunningham desired to continue his service. Following discussion, Councilmember Larson moved to designated Councilmember Foster as the second representative from the City. Motion seconded by Councilmember Foster and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Larson, Foster
NOES: Councilmember Cunningham
ABSTAIN: Councilmember DeMirjyn

Appointment - Planning Commission - Mayor DeMirjyn moved to appoint Paul R. Thompson to the Planning Commission to complete Rick Gilbert's term. Motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and carried by AYE votes of all present.

San Bernardino International Airport Authority - Mayor Pro Tem Larson briefed Councilmembers on the activities of the San Bernardino International Airport Authority and responded to their questions. Mr. Larson assured Councilmembers his goal was to protect the air space over Redlands and neighboring communities as much as he could.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilmanic Boundaries - City Manager Wheaton explained the process for the preparation of the alternatives for the revised boundaries for the City Council districts. ESRI is assisting the City by providing the program and personnel to train our staff. They are attempting to keep the district populations balanced and keep the Hispanic census tracts within District 1. Copies of seven alternatives are posted at City Hall and in the Council Chambers. Reduced versions of the maps are also available through the City Manager's Office. Speaking from the audience were: Tony Martinez who indicated the Committee for Fair Representation by District prefers Alternate No. 5 or No. 1 and urged the City Council to protect the 1982 Voting Rights Act. Michael Atencio expressed appreciation for keeping the Hispanic census tracts intact and favored Alternative No. 1 and No. 5; he also felt these public meetings were important and urged Council not to delegate the responsibility to a committee. Noting he was a disenfranchised voters on all seven proposals, Claude Johnson urged a ballot measure to make the Mayor an at-large position. In response to Diane Christensen's inquiry regarding other minority groups, Mr. Wheaton indicated their numbers were very small. (Also see minutes for the evening session for further discussion on this subject.)

Recess - The City Council meeting recessed at 3:50 P.M. to a Redevelopment Agency meeting and reconvened at 3:52 P.M. to a closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, and property acquisition and/or disposition. The City Council meeting reconvened at 7:00 P.M. Mayor DeMirjyn welcomed the Civics Day participants present in the audience and our new Planning Commissioner Paul Thompson.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

General Plan Amendment No. 49 - Zone Change No. 348 - Public hearings were advertised for this time and place to consider Resolution No. 4949 to adopt General Plan Amendment No. 49, changing the land use designation from Urban Reserve (Agricultural) to Low Density Hillside, and Ordinance No. 2215 to adopt Zone Change No. 348, a change of zone from A-1(Agricultural) District to R-R (Rural Residential) District for 66.8 acres located south of San Timoteo Canyon Road, approximately one mile northwesterly of the intersection of San Timoteo Canyon Road and Alessandro Road (Lantech Group, applicant). Community Development Director Shaw reviewed the application, noting there has been public testimony opposed to the recommended Negative Declaration. Upon advise of legal counsel, he recommended the City Council continue these public hearings for further environmental analysis. Mayor DeMirjyn declared the meeting open as a public hearing for any questions or comments. On behalf of Larry Curti, Attorney Cynthia Ludvigsen reviewed her letter dated March 15, 1993, indicating their opposition to the proposed Negative Declaration as they believe the Initial Study is inadequate. There being no further comments, the public hearing was continued, by AYE votes of all present, to April 6, 1993, on motion of Councilmember Larson, seconded by Councilmember Cunningham.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilmanic Boundaries - (also see the minutes for the afternoon session for discussion on this subject.) City Manager Wheaton again explained the process for the preparation of the alternatives for the revised boundaries for the City Council district boundaries. Tony Martinez reiterated his concerns expressed at previous sessions. Tim Gehrke felt the eastern boundary of Ward 1 should be at Church Street rather than University Street and he and his neighbors have more in common with Wards 2 or 3. Councilmember Foster moved to continue this discussion at the April 6, 1993, meeting and directed that the computer be available in the Chambers and that the alternatives be made available for the public. Motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and carried with Councilmember Cunningham voting NO.

Ordinance No. 2216 - Utility Connections - Ordinance No. 2216, an ordinance of the City of Redlands adding Chapter 13.60 to the Redlands Municipal Code implementing the provisions of Measure N and regulating outside City water and sewer connections for residential development, was continued, by AYE votes of all present, to April 6, 1993, and sent back to the Water Committee on motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson.

Employee Vacancy - The request to authorize filling the Senior Planner position was continued, by AYE votes of all present, to April 6, 1993, on motion of Councilmember Larson, seconded by Councilmember Foster.

NEW BUSINESS

Commuter Rail Committee - Councilmember DeMirjyn moved to appoint Councilmember Cunningham to serve as the Councilmember representative on the SANBAG Commuter Rail Committee. Commending Barbara Wormser for her diligent and outstanding service on this committee, Councilmember Larson seconded the motion which carried by AYE votes of all present.

Consent Calendar - The following items were acted upon during the afternoon session:

Reappropriation of Storm Drain Funds - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, Council approved, by AYE votes of all present, the reappropriation of storm drain funds from the Church Street Storm Water Drain project to the Arbor/Ford Street Storm Water Drain project in the amount of $900,000.00.

Funds - Police Vehicles - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, Council authorized, by AYE votes of all present, the General Services Director to purchase vehicles for use by the Police Department with funds obtained through the liquidation of drug-seizure vehicles.

Multi-Cultural Festival - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, Council approved, by AYE votes of all present, City sponsorship of the Multi-Cultural Festival to be held at the University of Redlands on April 24 and 25, l993, with the understanding no City funds will be expended.

Funds - Police Department - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, Council authorized, by AYE votes of all present, an additional appropriation of $7,338.11 for the Police Department to purchase an interactive videodisc delivery system and a satellite antenna system with the understanding that all of this funding will be reimbursed to the General Fund from the State of California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

Subordination Agreement - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, Council approved, by AYE votes of all present, the subordination agreement action for property located at 1334 Texas Street.

Adjournment - There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:27 P.M. to an adjourned regular meeting to be held on April 6, 1993, at 9:00 A.M. in the Redlands Plaza Conference Room, 2 East Citrus Avenue, Suite 15C, Redlands, California.

City Clerk