

MINUTES

of an adjourned regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held in the A. K. Smiley Public Library Assembly Room, 125 West Vine Street, on June 15, 1993, 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
Gary Luebbers, Assistant City Manager
Lorrie Poyzer, City Clerk
Ted Thomaidis, Redlands Daily Facts
Steven Church, The Sun

ABSENT

None

COMMUNICATIONS

League of Women Voters - On behalf of the League of Women Voters, Laurie Tully Payne announced their next State of the Community Luncheon will be held on February 16, 1994, in the Orton Center, University of Redlands. She urged Councilmembers to contact her if they had any suggestions for their agenda.

STUDY SESSIONS

Fire Department Headquarters Building - Community Development Director Jeff Shaw and Fire Chief Mel Enslow reported their review of the development agreements with Barton Development Company, The Glorious Redlands Investment Partnership, and Kaiser Foundation Hospital did not reveal any definite location of a fire station. Fire Chief Enslow then presented response grids for the Park Avenue site and current proposed locations. Following discussion, Councilmember Foster moved to turn down the proposed offer from Mr. Ken Scherer (see minutes of May 25, 1993, and June 8, 1993) and directed staff to update the Fire Department's Master Plan. Motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and carried unanimously.

Proposed Utility Users Tax Ordinance - A proposed initiative ordinance adding Chapter 3.64 to the Redlands Municipal Code levying a utility users tax was presented for Council's consideration for placement on the November 2, 1993, ballot. This ordinance levies a special tax and would require a two-thirds affirmative vote. Councilmember DeMirjyn did not feel the ballot measure would receive the necessary support. Councilmember Foster was opposed to a utility users tax. Following discussion, Councilmember Larson moved to direct staff to revise the proposed ordinance to include a five-year sunset clause, a means test for senior citizens, and designated percentages for allocation of the funds. Motion seconded by Councilmember Milson and carried with Councilmembers DeMirjyn and Foster voting NO.

1993-94 Budget - The City Council continued its review of the proposed 1993-94 budget and took actions as follows:

Granted unanimous tentative approvals with the reinstated items included in the Finance Director's memorandum dated June 4, 1993, for: Public Works/Wastewater Fund Group, Water Fund Group, and Solid Waste Fund Group; Local Transportation; CDBG (Community Development Block Grants); Storm Drain Construction; General Capital Improvements; General Debt Service; Paramedic with the stipulation the Government Service Charge be reduced so that no loans would be necessary from the General Fund; Household Hazardous Waste; Business Improvement District (Councilmember Cunningham abstained from the vote due to a possible conflict of interest); Parking Authority; Redlands Public Improvement Corporation; Traffic Safety; Measure "O" Bond; and Gas Tax.

Councilmember Foster's motion to grant tentative approval for the Redevelopment Agency Fund Group, which was seconded by Councilmember Larson, originally carried with Councilmember Cunningham voting NO. Later in the meeting, Councilmember Milson reconsidered her vote and changed it to a NO vote. Councilmember Foster also changed his vote and the motion was then considered denied.

Related actions taken at this meeting were as follows: a separate study session will be held to address B Contracts for irrigation water and the City's ownership in water companies; preparation of a cost report for possible relocation the City Council Chambers; an updated report regarding improvements at the Colton Avenue and University Street intersection; and directed a letter be sent to our Congressman requesting funds for street improvements on Redlands Boulevard at New Jersey and Nevada Streets in the Regional Post Office area.

Adjournment - There being no further business, the City Council meeting adjourned at 4:05 P.M.

City Clerk