

MINUTES

of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held in the Council Chambers, 212 Brookside Avenue, on October 19, 1993, at 3:00 P.M. This being the time set for a regular meeting of the City Council and there being no quorum present, the City Clerk recessed the meeting to 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT

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

Gary Luebbers, City Manager
Daniel J. McHugh, City Attorney
Lorrie Poyzer, City Clerk
Ted Thomaidis, Redlands Daily Facts
Steven Church, The Sun

ABSENT

None

The meeting was opened with an invocation by Councilmember Cunningham followed by the pledge of allegiance. Mayor DeMirjyn acknowledged the following candidates for City Council present at this meeting: First District: Steve Denton and Gilberto Gil; Third District: Jesse Siglow and incumbent Swen Larson; and Fifth District: Pat Gilbreath and Rolland Moore.

PRESENTATION

Sister City Committee - Barbara Wormser, Chairman of the Sister City Committee, reported on a recent trip to our sister city Hino in Japan. Members of our local soccer team attended the Tama World Junior Soccer Festival and won three out of the five games they played. Mrs. Wormser presented a plate to Mayor DeMirjyn which was given to the City by our hosts in Japan.

COMMUNICATIONS

Request for Waiver of Development Fees - Michelle D. F. Carter is currently in the process of opening the Gourmet Deli and Bakery in the historic Santa Fe Depot on Orange Street. In a letter dated September 30, 1993, she requested Council consider granting her the same consideration given to Mark Slotkin, owner of the Morey Mansion, and waive all development fees for her project. Community Development Director Jeff Shaw reviewed the estimated fees

totaling approximately \$7,000.00, noting credit was included for the existing building, the historic discount was applied, and that the basement-area was not included. Mr. Shaw and City Manager Luebbbers also indicated they were willing to negotiate a payment schedule with Ms. Carter. With this information, Ms. Carter withdrew her request and thanked staff for their assistance.

San Bernardino International Airport Authority - Councilmember Milson expressed her concerns regarding the City Council's representative on the San Bernardino International Airport Authority as she felt Councilmember Larson was not fulfilling his responsibilities to the Council. Mr. Larson assured Councilmembers he took advantage of every available opportunity to protect the skies over Redlands, pointing out his goal was to make the airport a good neighbor. He also explained the Airport Authority's primary responsibility was to provide insulation between the Cities of Redlands, San Bernardino, Colton, and Highland and the County of San Bernardino protecting them from any liability. Assistant Airport Manager Jo Bogner and Air Operations Manager Eric Podniecks were present at the meeting and answered questions from Councilmembers. Councilmember Milson continued to question Mr. Larson extensively about the activities of the Airport Authority, and moved to establish a standing item on the City Council agenda for receipt of a report from Mr. Larson on the activities of the Airport Authority for discussion and possible action; require that the full agenda packet and minutes of the Airport Authority's meetings be provided to each Councilmember, the City Attorney, and the City Manager; and that any long-range plans be run by the City Council for their review. For discussion purposes, Mayor DeMirjyn seconded the motion. Mrs. Milson wanted to play an informational video tape for the audience. Mr. Larson pointed out this video was produced by the IVDA (Inland Valley Development Agency), and did not belong to the Airport Authority nor did it reflect the Airport Authority's standing. The video tape was then played for the audience. Several people from the audience addressed Council as follows: First District City Council candidate Steve Denton expressed concerns about the impact the airport will have on residents living on the northside; R. A. Moore indicated it was difficult to get information from the Airport Authority staff; Chamber of Commerce President Gail Gerrard Rice praised Mr. Larson for his service on the Airport Authority; and Frank Moore felt we should give Mr. Larson a vote of confidence and support as he has a long and great reputation for looking out for the well being of our community. Mr. Larson indicated he could not support the entire motion but was willing to provide copies of any materials anyone desired. Councilmember Milson's motion then carried by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Cunningham, Milson; Mayor DeMirjyn
NOES: Councilmembers Larson, Foster

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Resolution No. 5025 - Sale of RDA Property - (Also see Redevelopment Agency minutes for meeting of October 19, 1993.) A joint public hearing of the City Council and the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Redlands was continued to this time and place to consider the sale of Redevelopment Agency property located on the southwest corner of Eureka Street and Oriental Avenue and the southeast corner of Oriental Avenue and Eureka Street to Third Street to Tom Brand. At the meeting held on October 5, 1993, the City Council continued this hearing to allow for the preparation of an amended sales agreement to include at 24-month time frame. Mayor DeMirjyn declared the meeting open as a public hearing to hear any further comments. None being forthcoming, the public hearing was declared closed. Councilmember Larson moved to adopt Resolution No. 5025, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redlands approving and authorizing execution of escrow instructions between the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Redlands and Tom Brand. Motion seconded by Councilmember Foster and failed by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Larson, Foster

NOES: Councilmembers Cunningham, Milson; Mayor DeMirjyn

Resolution No. 5026 - Sale of RDA Property - (Also see Redevelopment Agency minutes for meeting of October 19, 1993.) A joint public hearing of the City Council and the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Redlands was advertised for this time and place to consider the sale of Redevelopment Agency property located on the southwest corner of Pearl Avenue and Orange Street to Cooley Partners. Marjie Pettus, Management Assistant, reported the Redevelopment Agency, in closed session on September 21, 1993, approved this proposed sale in principle for a sum of \$850,000.00. Mayor DeMirjyn declared the meeting open as a public hearing for any questions or comments. None being forthcoming, the public hearing was declared closed. Councilmember Foster moved to approved Resolution No. 5026, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redlands approving and authorizing execution of escrow instructions between the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Redlands and Cooley Partners. Motion seconded by Councilmember Milson and carried unanimously and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointments - Housing Commission - Mayor DeMirjyn moved to reappoint Robert J. Carothers, Louise Linton, and Richard Cover, Jr. to the Housing

Commission. Motion seconded by Councilmember Cunningham and carried unanimously.

Mt. View Avenue Improvements - Public Works Director Ron Mutter reported that a letter has been received from Roger Hardgrave, Public Works Director from the City of San Bernardino. He is asking if the City of Redlands would be interested in entering into a cooperative project with the City of San Bernardino to improve Mt. View Avenue at the Mission Channel bridge and the Santa Fe Railroad grade crossing. If so, the City of San Bernardino is willing to act as lead agency. Mr. Mutter explained Mt. View Avenue is currently a two-lane roadway through this area. The East Valley Corridor Specific Plan and the General Plan show Mt. View Avenue as an arterial roadway with a minimum of four through lanes. As development occurs in the Marigold Farms area, Mt. View will need to be widened through this area. Though development would normally provide street improvements along most of the street frontage, any one developer would not be able to provide widening of the bridge and railroad crossing. Councilmember Foster stated he was reluctant to act at this time and moved to continue this matter until the new City Council is seated following the election. Motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

SCAG Regional Comprehensive Plan - On behalf of the Baldy View Chapter of the Building Industry Association, Bob Roberts expressed concerns about the SCAG Regional Comprehensive Plan as he felt this was another step toward regional planning. As the City's SCAG representative, Mayor DeMirjyn stated he would oppose this plan.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes - Minutes of the meeting October 5, 1993 were approved as submitted with a correction.

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

Planning Commission Actions - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, the report of the Planning Commission meeting held on October 12, 1993, was unanimously acknowledged as received.

Employee Vacancies - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, Council unanimously authorized filling the following positions: Water Service Worker and Water Operations Technician.

Contract Award - Montero House Adult School - Bids were opened and publicly declared on September 30, 1993, by the City Clerk for a Community Development Block Grant Fund project to convert an unused garage into a classroom at the Montero House Adult School located at 732 West Cypress Avenue; a bid opening report is on file in the Office of the City Clerk. At this time, it is the recommendation of the Community Development Department that the responsible bidder submitting the bid for said project which will result in the lowest cost to the City is Kunert Electric of San Bernardino in the amount of \$12,682.00, and it is in the best interest of the City that this contract be awarded to said firm. On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, this recommendation was unanimously approved, and a transfer of \$7,000.00 from the City's contingency account to the Redlands Adult School, Montero House Project, was also unanimously approved to allow the project to go forward.

Employment Agreement - City Manager - Councilmember Larson moved to approve the employment agreement with Gary M. Luebbers as the City Manager, and authorized the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the City. Motion seconded by Councilmember Foster and carried with Councilmember Cunningham voting NO.

Contract Monitoring Reports - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, the monthly contract monitoring reports updated through October 12, 1993, for projects currently being administered by the Public Works Department were unanimously acknowledged as received.

Contract Award - Ford Street Storm Drain - Bids were opened and publicly declared on October 7, 1993, by the City Clerk for the construction of the Ford Street Storm Drain; a bid opening report is on file in the Office of the City Clerk. At this time, it is the recommendation of the Department of Public Works that the responsible bidder submitting the bid for said project which will result in the lowest cost to the City is Beaver Engineering, Inc. of West Covina in the amount of \$492,451.00, and it is in the best interest of the City that this contract be awarded to said firm. On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, this recommendation was unanimously approved.

Appointment - DRBA Advisory Board - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, Council unanimously appointed James Thorpe, owner of Burrough's Appliance Center to fill the vacancy on the Downtown Redlands Business Association Advisory Board created by Gary Henson's resignation

Recess - Adjournment - The City Council meeting recessed at 8:41 P.M. to a Redevelopment Agency meeting and reconvened at 8:42 P.M. to a closed session for the purpose of discussing property disposition and pending litigation. In accordance with State law, the City Attorney prepared a confidential memo to the City Council providing justification for the pending litigation portion of the closed session. No report was expected following the closed session.

Next regular meeting, November 2, 1993.

City Clerk