

MINUTES

of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held in the Council Chambers, 212 Brookside Avenue, on January 18, 1994, at 3:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Swen Larson, Mayor
Jim Foster, Mayor Pro Tem
William E. Cunningham, Councilmember
Gilberto Gil, Councilmember
Pat Gilbreath, 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 Mayor Larson followed by the pledge of allegiance.

PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Planning Commission Actions - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the report of the Planning Commission meeting held on January 11, 1994 was unanimously acknowledged as received.

COMMUNICATIONS

Appointments - Library Board - Mayor Larson moved to nominate Martin Davis for reappointment to a second term on the Library Board, and Dorothy Ziilch for appointment on the Library Board. Motion seconded by Councilmember Foster and carried unanimously.

Appointments - Human Relations Commission - Ordinance No. 2218 establishing a Human Relations Commission was adopted on June 1, 1993, and designates that each Councilmember shall appoint one member to the Commission with the remaining four members to be appointed by the City Council. One commission member appointed by the City Council shall be from the junior class of the Redlands High School. Names of students recommended by the Redlands High School to serve as the student commissioner have not been received as of this date; therefore, the City Council will be asked to appoint the student members at a future Council meeting when the other student appointments are made for the Parks Commission, Recreation Commission, and

Traffic Commission. At this meeting, the following appointments to the Human Relations Commission were made: Councilmember Cunningham appointed George E. Riday, Councilmember Gil appointed Reverend Anthony Green; Councilmember Gilbreath appointed Christi Johnson Bulot; Mayor Pro Tem Foster appointed Sam Byrts, Ph.D.; and Mayor Larson appointed Joan Silver. On motion of Councilmember Larson, seconded by Councilmember Foster, Council unanimously appointed Cheryl Brewington Butler, Evelyn Frances Martinez, and Edward F. Sagmeister to the Human Relations Commission.

SCAG - Regional Comprehensive Plan - Mayor Pro Tem Foster expressed concerns about the SCAG Regional Comprehensive Plan and informed Councilmembers he would continue to keep them informed.

San Bernardino International Airport - Mayor Larson reported the lease had been signed for the San Bernardino International Airport at a well-attended ceremony this morning.

Mission Zanja Creek Reconnaissance Report - Public Works Director Ron Mutter reported that on December 20, 1993, staff met with representatives from the Corps of Engineers and the San Bernardino County Flood Control District to discuss the preliminary findings of the Reconnaissance Report for the revised project on the Mill Creek (Mission) Zanja through downtown Redlands. The General Investigations Program Recon Report (GI) recommends further Federal involvement in the development of two small projects under the Continuing Authorities Program (CAP), and no further Federal involvement under the GI program. The report recommends (1) further development of the proposed project to increase the capacity of the inlet to the covered section of Mission Zanja Creek near 9th Street (above Hatfield Buick), and (2) further development of the proposed Reservoir Canyon detention basin, following the construction of the inlet project. The inlet project would start west of Sylvan Park and run along the existing Zanja alignment to Redlands Boulevard. The facility would consist of an open box channel. The detention basin is proposed to be located in Ford Park at the site of the former irrigation reservoir north of the Highland Avenue Water Complex facility. Rick Dryer from the Corps of Engineers reviewed the report and findings through a slide presentation. Councilmember Cunningham moved to approve the staff recommendation to submit two letters to the Corps of Engineers supporting the findings of the General Investigation Program Recon Report and the findings of the Continuing Authorities Program Recon Report and further directed staff to contact Congressman Jerry Lewis regarding funding for these projects. Motion seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath and carried unanimously.

Closed Session - The City Council meeting recessed at 4:50 P.M. to a Redevelopment Agency meeting and reconvened at 4:51 P.M. to a closed session for the purpose of discussing property acquisition and/or 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. The City Council meeting reconvened at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENTATIONS

Retirement - Mayor Larson presented Jean Freeman, Executive Secretary, a plaque with the City Seal recognizing her upon her retirement. Public Works Director Mutter thanked Mrs. Freeman for her dedication and loyalty and gave her an engraved gold watch from the City.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Appeal - Sign Review No. 101 (Revised) and Variance No. 536 - Public hearing was advertised for this time and place to consider appeals to the Planning Commission decisions for Commission Sign Review No. 101 (revised) and Variance No. 536, a request from the Atlantic Richfield Company for a variance and an amendment to a sign program for and within a shopping center located at the northeast corner of Redlands Boulevard and California Street in the EV/CG, General Commercial District of the East Valley Corridor Specific Plan. Community Development Director Shaw reported the applicant has submitted requests for an amendment to the shopping center's sign program and a variance to allow freestanding signs to improve visibility of signage for the use. Staff has met numerous times with the applicant and have not been able to come to a solution that is adequate for the applicant and still consistent with the Redlands Municipal Code. Mayor Larson declared the meeting open as a public hearing. The appellant, Mr. Craig Yamasakai, and his architect Tom Regal urged the City Council to approve the requests. There being no further comments, the public hearing was declared closed. Councilmember Foster moved to grant the appeal and allow the sign program as presented, and to approve Variance No. 536 subject to the following findings:

1. There are extraordinary circumstances in this project that prohibit service stations from compliance with the State Business and Commercial Code Section 13531 and 13532 which requires visibility from all directions and is constrained by the City of Redlands Sign Ordinance;
2. The applicant is being denied a substantial property right with regard to signage. Being part of a unified center limits the number of freestanding signs and prohibits a service station from compliance with State Law;

3. The proposal will not be detrimental to the public welfare of the people of the City of Redlands; and
 4. The proposal does not conflict with the General Plan since the General Plan only defines policy and does not implement with specific regulations.
- Motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and carried with Councilmember Cunningham voting NO.

Community Development Block Grant Funds - Public hearing was advertised for this time and place to consider reprogramming Community Development Block Grant Funds to the Senior Nutrition Center. Community Development Director Shaw reviewed the proposed reprogramming of funds. Mayor Larson 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 reprogram the following Community Development Block Grant projects:

Historic Preservation Rehabilitation	
Project No. 111-14212	\$46,281.00
Seismic Retrofit Project No. 111-16134	30,000.00
Redlands-Yucaipa Guidance Clinic Security System	
Project No. 111-10301	1,000.00

to the Community Development Block Grant Project No. 111-10301/0445, Senior Nutrition Center. Motion seconded by Councilmember Gil and carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 5043 - Historic Resource - Public hearing was advertised for this time and place to consider the recommendation of the Historic and Scenic Preservation Commission to designate the Montgomery House located at 159 West Palm Avenue as Historic Resource No. 88. Mayor Larson declared the meeting open as a public hearing for any questions or comments concerning this matter. The property owner, Mrs. Beverly Weisberg, who nominated the property for designation was present and expressed appreciation for the recognition. There being no further comments, the public hearing was declared closed. Councilmember Cunningham moved to adopt Resolution No. 5043, a resolution of the City Council approving this recommendation. Motion seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath and carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mountain View Avenue Improvements - Public Works Director Mutter reported a letter has been received from Roger Hardgrave, Public Works Director from the City of San Bernardino, asking if the City of Redlands would be interested in entering into a cooperative project with the City of San Bernardino to improve Mountain 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. Councilmember Foster moved to initiate participation with the City of San Bernardino in a cooperative project to widen and improve Mountain View Avenue at the Mission Channel bridge and the Santa Fe Railroad grade crossing with the understanding that the cooperative agreement will be brought back to the City Council for its review and approval. Motion seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath and carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 2233 - Transportation Control Measures - Ordinance No. 2233, was given its second reading of the title by City Clerk Poyzer, and on motion of Councilmember Larson, seconded by Councilmember Foster, further reading of the ordinance text was unanimously waived. Ordinance No. 2233 was adopted on motion of Councilmember Larson, seconded by Councilmember Foster, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Foster, Gil, Cunningham, Gilbreath;
Mayor Larson
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Ordinance No. 2235 - Trees in Public Places - Ordinance No. 2235, was given its second reading of the title by City Clerk Poyzer, and on motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, further reading of the ordinance text was unanimously waived. Ordinance No. 2235 was adopted on motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Foster, Gil, Cunningham, Gilbreath;
Mayor Larson
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

NEW BUSINESS

Development Impact Fees - Public Works Director Mutter reported the Development Impact Fee program for infrastructure and public facilities was approved and implementing ordinances adopted. Such fees should be reviewed and updated on a periodic basis. Staff proposed to begin the process of

reviewing and revising the Development Impact Fee program for Storm Drain Construction as necessary, and Mr. Mutter reviewed his staff report prepared for this meeting. It was suggested the City Council schedule a workshop to continue this review and define what particular storm drain construction programs should be eliminated, modified or included in a revised storm drain fee, and to have an overall review of the other development impact fees. Councilmember Gilbreath moved to hold said study session on February 1, 1994, at 3:00 P.M. Motion seconded by Councilmember Foster and carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes - Minutes of the regular meeting of December 21, 1993, were approved as submitted.

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

Traffic Commission Report - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, the report of the Traffic Commission meetings held on October 28, 1993, and December 2, 1993, were unanimously acknowledged as received.

Airport Master Plan - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, Council unanimously adopted the Redlands Municipal Airport Master Plan dated November, 1993. The Plan, which has been reviewed during City Council workshop sessions held on December 15, 1992, and August 3, 1993, includes an inventory of existing facilities, projections of future growth and facility requirements, a review of development alternatives and rationale for choosing the selected alternative, an environmental evaluation, airport plans based on the chosen alternative, and a financial program for funding the required development.

Agreement - Redlands Municipal Airport - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, Council unanimously voted to terminate the Agreement to Furnish Administrative Services for the Redlands Municipal Airport between the City of Redlands and Aerodrome Aircraft Rental and Flight Training, Inc. Complaints have been received having to do with breaking in on the UNICOM frequency and issuing conflicting information from that given by the UNICOM operator and the use of profanity. The functions provided by the Service Provider will be taken over by the City staff at this time.
Cable Television Franchise Agreement - Following brief discussion, Councilmember Larson moved to approve an extension of the Cable Television

Agreement from January 28, 1994, to May 31, 1994, to allow the new owner, Tele Communications Incorporated (TCI) and the City staff to review the final draft of the franchise agreement prior to presentation to the City Council.

Grove Maintenance Agreement - On motion of Councilmember Cunningham, seconded by Councilmember Foster, Council unanimously continued consideration of the termination of the grove maintenance agreement with the Smith Family for cultural practices to the existing grove at 916 West Olive Avenue. Mr. John Smith has submitted a revised agreement and would like to meet with the Citrus Committee prior to City Council action.

Employee Vacancies - On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, Council unanimously authorized the following positions be filled: Account Clerk II (Utility Billing), Equipment Operator (Street Division), Payroll Supervisor, and Police Records Clerk.

Funds - Measure O Property - Councilmember Foster moved to approve an appropriation in the amount of \$980,650.00 from the Measure O Funds for the acquisition of approximately 27 acres of real property (APN 168-091-09) located at the northwest corner of Wabash and San Bernardino Avenues. Motion seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath and carried with Councilmember Cunningham voting NO. The purchase of this parcel, adjacent to City-owned property, makes a total of approximately 67 acres of land and will be the first City park of 50 acres of more.

Adjournment - There being no further business, the City Council meeting adjourned at 8:01 P.M. to an adjourned regular meeting to be held on January 25, 1994, at 9:00 A.M. in the Redlands Plaza Conference Room, 2 East Citrus Avenue, Suite 15C, Redlands, California.

City Clerk