

MINUTES of an adjourned regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held in the Council Chambers, 212 Brookside Avenue, on May 25, 1994, at 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT

Swen Larson, Mayor
Jim Foster, Mayor Pro Tem
William E. Cunningham, Councilmember
Gilberto Gil, Councilmember
Pat Gilbreath, Councilmember

Gary M. Luebbers, City Manager
Steven M. Chapman, Finance Director
Beatrice Sanchez, Deputy City Clerk
Ted Thomaidis, Redlands Daily Facts
Steven Church, The Sun

ABSENT None

Prior to beginning discussion on the proposed budgets, Mayor Larson announced that a speaker form had been submitted requesting to speak on the discontinued child Care Program. However, because this item is not on the agenda, it will be placed on a future agenda.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PROPOSED 1994-95 BUDGET

Redevelopment Agency - Management Analyst Marjie Pettus reviewed for Councilmembers the status report of the various parcels administered by the Agency. Of special interest was the parcel at Oriental and Eureka Avenues presently in escrow. The interested buyer would like to close escrow on July 7, 1994; however, because of prior diesel fuel ground contamination by the previous owner, Southern Pacific, a clean-up process must be completed as soon as possible. In an effort to complete the sale, the City can pay the cleaning cost and later recover from Southern Pacific, or Southern Pacific can remediate the situation now. Dialogue is continuing with Southern Pacific. Ms. Pettus also reviewed billing accountability requested of the management at Redlands Mall. It is also proposed that Redlands Police Department assume the duties of patrolling the Redlands Mall parking lot at a cost of \$15,000/year instead of the Agency paying one-third of the total security bill (inside and outside the Mall). Ms. Pettus was then commended for her diligent and efficient efforts in reviewing line by line the agreement with Redlands Mall. Councilmember Foster moved to approve the proposed budget for Redevelopment Projects Fund (No. 28) noting correction to line 2310 and Redevelopment Agency Debt Service Fund (No. 30). Motion seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath and carried unanimously.

Downtown Redlands Business Association - Councilmember Gilbreath moved to approve the proposed budget for Downtown Redlands Business Association Fund (No. 66); motion seconded by Councilmember Gil and carried unanimously.

Economic Development and Downtown Maintenance - Marjie Pettus and City Manager Gary Luebbers explained to Councilmembers the need for economic development and demographic information for interested businesses. Councilmember Foster questioned allocating an additional \$15,000 for economic development in a fund that is already overdrawn. City Manager Luebbers proposed making this part of the City Manager's budget as the intent is for City-wide economic development information. Councilmember Foster moved to approve \$15,000 for economic development to be placed within the City Manager's budget; motion seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath and carried unanimously.

Redevelopment Agency Fund Group - Finance Director Steve Chapman reviewed the Redevelopment Agency Fund Group for Councilmembers. Councilmember Foster moved to approve the Funding Plan for the Redevelopment Agency; motion seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath and carried unanimously.

Public Works/Streets Division - General - Public Works Director Ron Mutter distributed to Councilmembers handouts outlining streets resurfacing plans for fiscal years 1994-95 through 1996-97. The approximate cost to resurface one mile of 40'-50' wide street is \$100,000. Councilmember Cunningham expressed his concern about having a staff member versed in grant writing so that Redlands is assured its fair share of State grants. Following Mr. Mutter's review of the number of signals and street lights in Redlands, he pointed out that the street light budget has been increased to focus on getting lights burning again. Councilmember Foster agreed on the importance because of the crime and graffiti that goes along with inadequate lighting; he then inquired about the cost to improve The Terrace and Orange Street. Mr. Mutter responded it depended on the amount of conduit needed to be replaced at \$20 per foot. Councilmember Foster then inquired about the five City-owned houses. City Manager Luebbers stressed the City will have to commit funds for repairs to sell or rent the houses. Councilmember Foster suggested demolishing the three next to the Bowl and relocating the tenants to 11 Grant Street; these homes are just sitting there and conditions worsening. Councilmember Cunningham asked about utilizing Redevelopment Agency set-aside housing funds for the rehabilitation. Councilmember Foster stated that a letter has been received from a private group citing an alternative solution and requested this issue be placed on the next regular agenda in the evening. Councilmember Foster moved to approve the proposed

budget for the Public Works General Fund (No. 01); motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and carried unanimously.

Public Works - Local Transportation - Councilmember Foster questioned the plan to realign the intersection of Colton Avenue and University Street and asked the Council to increase the amount to \$225,000. City Engineer Mutter agreed this intersection is of major concern to the University of Redlands but that realigning University Street would mean taking part of Sylvan Park. Councilmember Cunningham cautioned that there may be deed restrictions to be researched prior to realigning University Street. Mr. Mutter explained that deferring another year or two the improvements at Citrus/Auburn-Wabash would be satisfactory. Councilmember Foster moved to increase the total for the Colton Avenue intersection to \$225,000 and reduce the amount for Citrus/Auburn-Wabash to zero; motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and carried unanimously. Councilmember Foster moved to apply the remaining \$300,000 from the Citrus/Auburn-Wabash project towards a three-year study and acquisition for the Wabash Interchange project connecting at the I-10 Freeway. Motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and carried unanimously.

Finance Director Steve Chapman reviewed for Council the Special Review, Debt Service and Capital Project Funds schedules and identified changes. On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gil, Council unanimously approved the Local Transportation Funding Plan (No. 22). On motion of Councilmember Larson, seconded by Councilmember Foster, Councilmembers unanimously approved the Storm Drains Funding Plan (No. 29). On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, Council unanimously approved the Airport Funding Plan (No. 64), motion seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath and carried unanimously. On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Gilbreath, Council unanimously approved the Street Lighting District Funding Plan (No. 40). On motion of Councilmember Larson, seconded by Councilmember Gil, Council unanimously approved the Landscape Maintenance District Funding Plan (No. 33).

Public Works - Recreation - Public Works Director Ron Mutter acknowledged that with the elimination of Child Care Services and Day Camps and the reorganization of the Recreation Department, several accounts will no longer be needed. His goal will be to enhance the division utilizing computers to replace note books that can be lost. The SYETP program will continue to be administered by Eileen Dirksen, now with the Municipal Utilities Department, to assure a smooth transition. The program will be transferred to the Public Works Department next fiscal year. Councilmembers raised concerns about questionable

meetings being held at the Community Center; City Manager Luebbbers will investigate. Mr. Mutter stated that he and the City Manager will be looking into restructuring rental fees. Councilmember Cunningham raised the question of why the City is subsidizing adult sports? Mr. Luebbbers agreed that the entire recreation fees schedule has to be reviewed. Mayor Larson, responding to Mr. Ron Wright in the audience, requested that Day Camps also be placed on the next regular agenda. Mr. Wright appealed to Council to give the public an opportunity to speak on Child Care and Day Camps prior to June 7th. The urgency is that the School District must take action prior and this would then be moot. Councilmembers agreed to hold an evening meeting prior to June 7th; date to be arranged by the City Manager's Office. Councilmember Foster then moved to approve the proposed budget for Public Works/Recreation General Fund (No. 01); motion seconded by Councilmember Larson and carried with Councilmember Cunningham voting NO. On motion of Councilmember Foster, seconded by Councilmember Larson, Council unanimously approved the proposed budget for General Obligation Measure O Fund (No. 17). Councilmember Gilbreath moved to approve the proposed budget for Capital Projects Improvements Fund (No. 36); motion seconded by Councilmember Gil and carried unanimously.

The Fire Department budget, scheduled on this agenda, was continued to the adjourned regular meeting on May 31, 1994.

Adjournment - There being no further business, the City Council meeting adjourned at 11:09 A.M. to an adjourned regular meeting to be held on May 31, 1994, at 9:00 A.M. in the Council Chambers, 212 Brookside Avenue, Redlands, California.

Deputy City Clerk