

MINUTES
OXNARD CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
October 2, 2007

A. ROLL CALL/POSTING OF AGENDA

At 5:31 p.m., the regular meeting of the Oxnard City Council convened in the Council Chambers. Councilmembers Thomas E. Holden, Dean Maulhardt, John C. Zaragoza, Andres Herrera, and Timothy B. Flynn were present. The Deputy City Clerk stated that the agenda was posted on Thursday in the Library and City Clerk's Office. Mayor Holden presided and called the meeting to order. Staff members present were: Ed Sotelo, City Manager; Karen Burnham, Assistant City Manager; Gary L. Gillig, City Attorney; and Lourdes Lopez, Deputy City Clerk.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

C. CLOSED SESSION

At 5:31 p.m. the City Council recessed to a closed session, pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6, to give instructions to its negotiators, Dennis Scala, Special Assistant to the City Manager, Lino Corona, Acting Human Resources Director, and Lynn Hutton, Human Resources Manager, regarding the salaries, salary schedules or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits for employees represented by the International Association of Firefighters AFL-CIO (IAFF), Local 1684, the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), Local No. 998, the Oxnard Peace Officers' Association (OPOA), and the Oxnard Public Safety Management Employees Association (OPSMEA), and other matters within the scope of representation.

The City Council also recessed to a closed session, pursuant to Government Code section 54957, to evaluate the performance of the City Attorney.

At 7:15 p.m. the City Council adjourned to the evening session.

D. OPENING CEREMONIES

At 7:08 p.m. the concurrent meeting with the Community Development Commission opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States, led by the 2007 Multicultural Festival Art Contest winners, and followed by a moment of silence in memory of Henry Gustafson, former Fire Chief. Additional staff present included: Lou Balderrama, Supervising Civil Engineer; Ken Ortega, Public Works Director; and Jill A. Beaty, Assistant City Clerk.

E. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

1. SUBJECT: Presentation of a Commendation to Siobhion O'Reilley-Hill, Principal for Our Lady of Guadalupe School for Recognition by the National Catholic Educational Association.
ACTION: Accepted by Ms. O'Reilley-Hill

2. SUBJECT: Presentation of a Proclamation Designating the Month of October, 2007, as "Multicultural Month."
ACTION: The Commissioners of the Commission on Community Relations accepted the proclamation, thanked the sponsors, and invited the public to the October 7th event.
3. SUBJECT: Presentation of the 2007 Multicultural Festival Art Contest Winners.
ACTION: The Commissioners of the Commission on Community Relations presented the winners: Oliver Nguyen, Arielle Mendoza, Isabella Raad, Savy Cole, Virginia Raad, Moncerath Martinez, Giselle Medina, Christina Gonzalez, and Angelica Quezada.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

William Terry, ooposed to the proposed Clear Water port facility
Rhea Voll, IUOE member, healthcare for City employees
Miguel Espinosa, public comments and free speech
Javier Gomez, promoting the arts in the City
Martin Jones, former court case
Soledad Trevino, Nyeland Acres resident, concern over parolee housing in area
John Korsten, tax lien on his property
Burt Perello, Planning staff's incomplete agenda packet re August 16 meeting
Pat Brown, opposes conversion of mobilehome parks to condominiums
Gloria Roman, diversion of workforce housing grant funds
Lawrence Stein, traffic congestion issues at Rose and 5th Street and fiscal responsibility of government officials
Luanne Rocha, El Centrito de Colonia, an event promoting literacy educational programs
Steve Fleischer, Chairman, Wilson neighborhood, density of Mercy housing on H and Palm
Rev. Edgar Mohorko, promoting peace and community involvement

G. REVIEW OF INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

I. INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

City Clerk Department

1. SUBJECT: Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council for September 11, 2007. (001)
RECOMMENDATION: Approve.
ACTION: Approved (Zaragoza/Maulhardt). Ayes: Holden, Maulhardt, Zaragoza, Herrera, and Flynn.

J. TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

K. INFORMATION/CONSENT PUBLIC HEARINGS

L. PUBLIC HEARINGS

M. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

The City Manager announced receipt of grant by the Oxnard Public Library from the Ventura County Community Foundation for the acquisition of children's literature and Fire Prevention Week, with Safety Day Oct. 13th

N. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

The City Council requested reports on the City's opposition to the Clearwater Port and 2010 Census.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

At 8:28 p.m. the concurrent meeting with the Community Development Commission concluded.

O. REPORTS

P. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON REPORTS

Q. APPOINTMENT ITEMS

R. STUDY SESSION

Public Works Department

1. SUBJECT: Street Maintenance Capital Improvement Plan Update. (027)

RECOMMENDATION: Consider and provide direction to the Public Works Director regarding the Street Maintenance Capital Improvement Plan Update.

DISCUSSION: The Design and Construction Services Manager/City Engineer presented the Plan, including capital projects management strategy, pavement condition, current needs and resources, recently completed projects, projects authorized to solicit bids, CDC projects planned to be presented to City Council for authorization to bid in next months, projects under design and and planned, global maintenance plan, and the proposed public outreach/education plan. He outlined challenges, such as timing of funding from various sources, as well as solutions, such as staff continuing to seek grants in all areas and maximize Gas Tax, TDA, and other state and federal funding options.

The City Council commented on the importance of a good maintenance program and realization that for many years there was no funding sources and that is why the streets are in the current condition and require the money to repair today. They suggest use of the Internet for public relations and education.

Burt Perello, neighborhoods in poorest condition should be put at highest priority and school crossing safety.

ACTION: The City Council considered the report and provided direction.

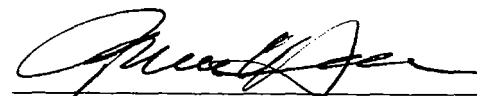
S. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON STUDY SESSION

T. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:32 p.m. the City Council concurred to adjourn.



LOURDES A. LOPEZ
Deputy City Clerk



DR. THOMAS E. HOLDEN
Mayor



JILL A. BEATY
Assistant City Clerk