

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

CITY OF SANTA CLARITA  
CITY COUNCIL  
6:30 p.m.

January 23, 1990

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Santa Clarita was called to order by Mayor Jo Anne Darcy at 6:35 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, First Floor, Santa Clarita, California.

FLAG SALUTE

Councilmember Jan Heidt led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

All Councilmembers were present. Also present were: City Manager, George Carvalho; Assistant City Manager, Ken Pulskamp; City Attorney, Carl Newton; Finance Director, Andrea Daroca; Parks & Recreation Director, Jeff Kolin; Public Works Director, John Medina; Director of Community Development, Mark Scott; Assistant City Clerk, Donna Grindey; and Clerk Typist, Debra Serrecchia.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Darcy and second by Koontz to add Item Nos. 21, 22, and 23 to the agenda as subsequent need items. On roll call vote:  
Ayes: Boyer, Heidt, Koontz, McKeon, Mayor Darcy  
Noes: None  
Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Boyer and second by McKeon to approve the minutes as corrected. Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

PRESENTATION:

Mayor Darcy introduced Deputy County Coroners, Joe Gruber and Earl Clark, who gave a brief overview of the new services for the City of Santa Clarita.

ITEM 1  
UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
FRANCHISE ORDINANCE  
NO. 89-28

Mayor Darcy opened the public hearing. The Assistant City Clerk reported that this item was published and posted in accordance with the law, therefore, the public hearing was in order.

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Assistant City Manager Pulskamp presented the report to Council stating that this item was on the Agenda for December 12, 1989, to introduce the franchise section (Title 4) of the Santa Clarita Municipal Code which is now being brought back for second reading. He further stated that this ordinance does not affect franchises granted by the City of Santa Clarita as indeterminate franchises or other franchises until their expiration.

City Attorney Newton read the title of Ordinance No. 89-28: "amending the Municipal Code to add Title 4 relating to franchises." It was moved by Koontz and second by Boyer to waive further reading and to adopt Ordinance No. 89-28. On roll call vote:  
Ayes: Boyer, Heidt, Koontz, McKeon, Mayor Darcy  
Noes: None  
Ordinance No. 89-28 adopted

ITEM 2  
UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
PUBLIC PEACE AND  
WELFARE CODE

Assistant City Manager Pulskamp presented the report to Council stating that this item was on the agenda for January 9, 1990 to introduce Ordinance No. 89-29, amending the Municipal Code to add Title 11, relating to Public Peace and Welfare, which is now being brought back for second reading. He further stated that this issue deals largely with false alarms, signs in the right-of-way, alcoholic beverages and gambling, peddling on highways, noise, and weapons.

City Attorney Newton read the title of Ordinance No. 89-29: "amending the Municipal Code to add Title 11 relating to Public Peace and Welfare." It was moved by Koontz and second by Boyer to waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 89-29. On roll call vote:  
Ayes: Boyer, Heidt, Koontz, McKeon, Mayor Darcy  
Noes: None  
Ordinance No. 89-29 adopted

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CONSENT CALENDAR  
ITEM 3  
APPROVAL OF A  
SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT  
WITH SOUTHERN PACIFIC  
TRANSPORTATION COMPANY  
FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A  
SEWER FOR TRACT 42670  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO  
SIGN AGREEMENT

It was moved by Boyer and second by Koontz to approve the Consent Calendar with the amendment that Item No. 3, dealing with the Southern Pacific Transportation Company for construction of a sewer, be subject to review by the City Attorney before approval. On roll call vote:

Ayes: Boyer, Heidt, Koontz, McKeon, Mayor Darcy  
Noes: None  
Motion Carried

ITEM 4  
REQUEST BY FRIENDLY  
VALLEY CHAPTER OF THE  
CITY OF HOPE FOR  
TRANSPORTATION

ON MOTION, THE CITY MANAGER HAS THE HONOR TO REPLY TO THE REQUEST BY FRIENDLY VALLEY CHAPTER OF THE CITY OF HOPE FOR TRANSPORTATION.

ITEM 5  
APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATE  
OF CORRECTION FOR TRACT  
44692 AND AUTHORIZATION  
TO SIGN

RESOLUTION NO. 90-12

ITEM 6  
WHITES CANYON ROAD  
ITEM 7

SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD  
LANDSCAPE (PROJECT 89-10)

ITEM 8  
SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD  
LANDSCAPING IMPROVEMENTS

ITEM 9  
REDEVELOPMENT SURVEY AREA  
RESOLUTION NO. 90-19

ITEM 10  
DEMAND REGISTER  
RESOLUTION NO. 90-12

ITEM 11  
NEW BUSINESS  
SANTA CLARITA VALLEY  
CHILD CARE TASK  
FORCE REPORT

Ms. Lorraine Schrag, 26111 Bouquet, Unit A-8, Santa Clarita, presented a detailed report of the Santa Clarita Valley Child Care Task Force to Council which highlighted the Task Force history, accomplishments and recommendations.

It was moved by Koontz and second by Boyer to defer the item to the Budget discussion in June and requested the City Manager to consider the proposal as part of the budget preparation. Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

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ITEM 12  
NEW BUSINESS  
PROJECT MANAGER  
FOR CITY HALL PROJECT

Assistant City Manager Puskamp presented this report to Council stating that last May the Council directed staff to proceed with plans for construction of a City Hall project. Since that time, the City has entered escrow on a parcel of land. It is staff's recommendation to approve the hiring of Harris & Associates as Project Manager. It was moved by Koontz and second by McKeon to approve the hiring of Harris & Associates as a project manager. On roll call vote:  
Ayes: Boyer, Heidt, Koontz, McKeon, Mayor Darcy  
Noes: None  
Motion Carried

ITEM 13  
1988-89 COMPREHENSIVE  
ANNUAL FINANCIAL  
REPORT

Finance Director Andrea Daroca presented a very extensive report to Council regarding the 1988-1989 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the City, including financial data for the period 7-1-88 - 6-30-89. The report also covered the City's first full fiscal year activities and consists of three major sections which are the introductory section, financial section, and statistical section. Following discussion, Tom Snow of Peat Marwick Main & Company; the City's independent auditing firm, presented their opinion on the report.

Following discussion regarding the report, it was moved by McKeon and second by Koontz to approve the Annual Financial Report. Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

ITEM 14  
ORDINANCE NO. 90-2  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
CODE-"SANITARY SEWERS  
AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE  
ORDINANCE"

Public Works Director Medina presented the report to Council regarding the introduction of Ordinance No. 90-2 adopted by reference Los Angeles County Code Title 20, Utilities, Division 2, relating to sanitary sewers and industrial waste which also provides the City the ability to collect the necessary funds to pay the costs that are charged to us by the County of Los Angeles in their inspection for sanitary sewers and industrial waste.

City Attorney Newton read the title of Ordinance No. 90-2: "adopting by reference Los Angeles County Code Title 20, Utilities, Division 2, Sanitary Sewers and Industrial Waste." It was moved by McKeon and second by Koontz to waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 90-2 as an urgency ordinance to be effective immediately upon adoption. On roll call vote:  
Ayes: Boyer, Heidt, Koontz, McKeon, Mayor Darcy  
Noes: None  
Ordinance 90-2 adopted as a urgency ordinance

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ITEM 15  
MCBEAN PARKWAY AT THE  
GOLDEN STATE (I-5)  
FREEWAY RESOLUTION  
NO. 90-15

Public Works Director Medina presented the report to Council regarding the coordination of activities for the widening of the existing bridge over I-5 and construction of new northbound and southbound diamond on-ramp on McBean Parkway at the I-5 Interchange. The project includes construction of curb, gutter, and sidewalk; the removal of raised median; and the re-stripping of existing roadway on McBean Parkway from 550 feet west of the I-5 Freeway to 1,100 feet east of the I-5 Freeway. It was moved by Koontz and second by McKeon to approve Resolution No. 90-15. On roll call vote:

Ayes: Boyer, Heidt, Koontz, McKeon, Mayor Darcy

Noes: None

Resolution No. 90-15 adopted

ITEM 16  
MARKET INCENTIVES IN  
THE FEDERAL CLEAN AIR  
ACT

Community Development Director Scott presented the report to Council regarding the request by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) seeking support for an amendment to the Federal Clean Air Act which would provide for market incentives and disincentives to improve air quality in the South Coast Air Basin. Following discussion by Council regarding the specifics of the amendment to the Federal Clean Act, it was moved by McKeon and second by Heidt to prepare a letter of support for the inclusion of market incentives into the Federal Clean Air Act to Senators Cranston and Wilson. Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

ITEM 17  
NOMINATIONS FOR 1989  
YOUNG AMERICAN MEDAL  
PROGRAM

Mayor Darcy addressed fellow councilmembers regarding the Young American Medals Program which was established by Congress in 1950 to honor young persons (18 or younger) who distinguish themselves through acts of bravery or displaying outstanding character and service during any given year. Mayor Darcy also asked that anyone who may have a recommendation to please submit it to the City Council by March 1, 1990 with an appropriate biography.

ITEM 18  
POLICY FOR  
INFRASTRUCTURE  
FINANCING

Finance Director Daroca presented the report to Council regarding infrastructure financing originally received by the City Council at the December 8 work study session for review. Daroca stated that the policy was then presented at the City Council Study Session on January 3, 1990.

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ITEM 18  
(Continued)

This policy would provide the City with a guideline in financing public facilities and services and for structuring future financings initiated by the City, as well as, financing infrastructure for development projects initiated by private landowners. Following discussion by Council regarding the infrastructure policy, it was moved by Koontz and second by Boyer to adopt the Policy for Infrastructure Financing. On roll call vote:

Ayes: Boyer, Heidt, Koontz, McKeon, Mayor Darcy

Noes: None

Motion Carried

ITEM 19  
DECORO DRIVE OPENING

Public Works Director Medina presented the report to Council regarding the opening of Decoro Drive between Vista Delgado Drive and McBean Parkway, which was recently constructed by the Valencia Company. It is estimated that this project, which includes bridge construction, will be completed within 8-10 months.

Following discussion by Council regarding the widening of the bridge and notices to property owners near the Decoro Drive opening, it was moved by Koontz and second by McKeon to approve the following recommendations: 1) authorize construction of a traffic signal system at Decoro Drive and Vista Delgado Drive; 2) authorize a crossing guard for the west crosswalk of Decoro Drive and Vista Delgado Drive; and 3) adopt Resolution No. 90-16 establishing "No Stopping Anytime" regulations on both sides of Decoro Drive between Vista Delgado Drive and Seco Canyon Road. The parking prohibition on the south side may be recinded by the Council upon recommendation by staff as soon as the roadway improvements are completed, or sooner if appropriate. On roll call vote:

Ayes: Boyer, Heidt, Koontz, McKeon, Mayor Darcy

Noes: None

Resolution No. 90-16 adopted and recommendations approved.

RECESS

At 8:17 p.m., the Mayor called a recess.

RECONVENE

At 8:32 p.m., the Mayor reconvened the meeting.

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ITEM 20  
ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING  
LOCAL CAMPAIGN  
DISCLOSURE AND  
CONTRIBUTION  
LIMITATIONS  
ORDINANCE NO. 90-4

City Attorney Newton presented the report to Council regarding the preparation of an ordinance to establish local campaign disclosure and campaign contribution limitations. The ordinance was drafted to advance City interest by limiting large contributions from single sources to candidates for municipal office and by imposing reporting and accounting procedures for local campaigns. The ordinance also prohibits the acceptance of any funds from a person who has been bound by a valid contract with the City within one year.

Those persons addressing the Council on this issue were: Vera Johnson, 26534 Oak Crossing, Newhall; Allan Cameron, 27612 Ennismore Avenue, Santa Clarita; Robert Silverstein, 19318 Flowers Court, Newhall; and Dorothy Riley, 21224 Placerita Canyon Road, Newhall.

Following discussion by Council regarding campaign contributions, it was Council's decision to approve each paragraph of the Ordinance as follows: Section 4.02.030(a) ....to exceed \$250 in any fiscal year; (c) ....all contributions of \$25 or more will be reported by the donator, Section 4.02.050(a)....a list of all contracts exceeding \$50,000 in value, within this prohibition, shall be provided to each candidate upon which the candidate may rely.

City Attorney Newton read the title of Ordinance No. 90-4: "adding Title 4, Chapter 4.02 of the Municipal Code to establish local campaign disclosure and campaign contribution limitations. It was moved by Boyer and second by Darcy to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 90-4, as amended. On roll call vote:

Ayes: Boyer, Heidt, Koontz, McKeon, Darcy

Noes: None

Ordinance No. 90-4 passed to second reading

ITEM 21  
ASSEMBLY BILL 2540  
GENERAL PLAN/SCHOOL  
FACILITIES ELEMENT

Mayor Darcy discussed a letter that was received from Capital Representation Group supporting Assembly Bill No. 2540 which is Assemblywomen Cathie Wright's Bill, dealing with General Plan School Facilities Element. They have asked that we work with Assemblywoman Wright on this legislation and develop possible amendments for AB 2540 to strengthen and expand upon Section 65302. It was moved by Koontz and second by McKeon to direct staff to look at the proposal and bring back recommendations to support this issue. Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

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ITEM 23  
CROSSWALK AND SIGNAL  
AT WHITES CANYON AND  
DELIGHT STREET

Mayor Darcy received several phone calls and an 800 signature petition regarding the crosswalk and signal at Whites Canyon and Delight Street with parents, residents of Canyon Country, principal and faculty of Sierra Vista Junior High School and faculty and principal of Honby Elementary School asking that we not take the crosswalk out. Mayor Darcy also asked Council to reconsider the placement of a signal at that intersection.

Following discussion by Council regarding the placement of this item on the next agenda, it was moved by Boyer and second by Koontz to reconsider the removal of the crosswalk and signal at Delight and Whites Canyon and to place this issue on the next regular Council agenda. Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

PUBLIC STATEMENT  
AUDIENCE

The following persons addressed the Council: Kevin Korenthal, 28170 Winterdale Drive, Canyon Country - spoke in favor of traffic signal at Delight Street and Whites Canyon; Ed Dunn, 15414 Rhododendron Drive, Canyon Country - spoke in opposition of traffic signal at Delight Street and Whites Canyon; Alan Cameron, 27612 Ennismore Avenue, Canyon Country - spoke regarding the Dale Poe Project & McBean Freeway Resolution.

It was moved by Koontz and second by Boyer to reconsider Item No. 15; McBean Parkway & I-5 Freeway Resolution, to bring it back to the next Council meeting of 2-13-90, require staff to give us legal opinion and that staff make contacts. Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

PUBLIC STATEMENT  
STAFF

City Manager Carvalho addressed the Council regarding items to be addressed at future Study Sessions as follows: January 31 public transportation forum and mid-year fiscal review, February 21 rent stabilization, pre-budget session and five year capital improvement, with no study session on February 7, and place the recycling report from UCLA on the Council Agenda on February 13. He also stated that the Solid Waste Committee submitted their report and gave the Council a copy of that report.



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PUBLIC STATEMENT  
COUNCIL

Councilmember Heidt addressed the Council regarding cooking dinner for the fire stations and Sheriff's Department on special occasions and suggested that this be done on an annual basis. It was Council's decision to look into the matter further.

Mayor Darcy stated that she received a letter from the five supervisors of Los Angeles County regarding the adoption of an ordinance which imposes regulations upon the sale of aerosol paint containers of 6oz or less. She also received a letter from the Leona Valley Improvement Association/Land Use Standards District Formation Committee regarding requesting support in defeating the project which is Ritter Ranch that covers Leona Valley, Acton and Agua Dulce.

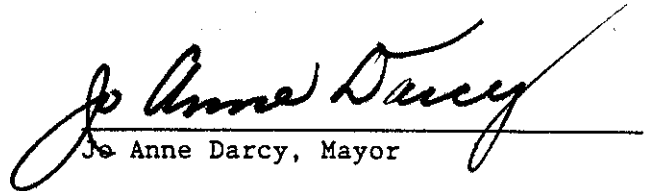
Mayor Darcy stated that she would like to see the issue of registering consultants and lobbyists in the City as a future agenda item.

CLOSED SESSION

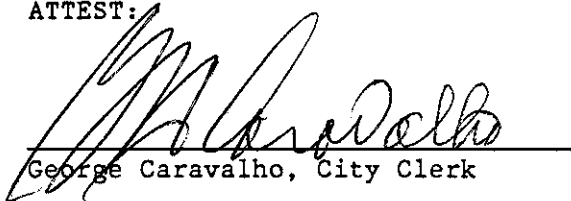
At 10:38 p.m. Council recessed to closed session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter and pending or potential litigation under the provisions of Section 54956.9, Subdivision C.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:05 p.m., the meeting was adjourned. The next Council meeting will be February 13, 1990 at 6:30 p.m.

  
Jo Anne Darcy, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
George Caravalho, City Clerk