

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF JOINT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT
AGENCY SPECIAL MEETING
5:30 P.M.
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AGENCY REGULAR MEETING
6:00 P.M.
APRIL 12, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chair McLean called to order the special meeting at 5:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All Councilmembers/Agencymembers were present with the exception of Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Ender.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No requests to speak were received.

CLOSED SESSION

Joseph Montes, City Attorney/Agency Counsel, advised of the need to conduct a Closed Session for the purpose of holding a:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Government Code Section 54956.9(a)

Case Name: In re RFI Realty, Inc., et al.

US Bankruptcy Court, District of Arizona

Case No. 2-04-BK-10486-CGC

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Government Code Section 54956.8

Location of Property: APN No's: 3244-031-013, 3244-031-014, 2813-010-002, 2813-010-003, 2813-010-008, 2812-007-001, 2812-007-002, 2812-007-028, 2812-007-045

Agency's Authorized Negotiator: Executive Director

Negotiating Parties: Santa Clarita Investors, LLC and Santa Clarita Investors, II, LLC

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

RECESS AND RECONVENE

Mayor/Chair McLean recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 5:32 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

CITY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENT

Joseph Montes, City Attorney/Agency Counsel, announced that no action was taken in Closed

Session required to be reported.

ADJOURN

Mayor/Chair McLean adjourned the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

INVOCATION

Mayor Pro Tem Ender provided the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chair Weste called to order the regular joint meeting of the City Council/Redevelopment Agency at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All Council/Agencymembers were present.

FLAG SALUTE

Mrs. Vasquez' second grade class at Helmers Elementary led the flag salute.

EXECUTIVE MEETING

This time has been set aside for Councilmembers to review the agenda and obtain any further information that may be needed. Council will also discuss each individual item during the course of the meeting with the exception of the Consent Calendar, which may be approved in its entirety by one motion, unless there is a request to pull an item for discussion. No action will be taken on public agenda items during the Executive Meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

~~Motion by Weste, second by Ferry, to approve the agenda.~~

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Mayor McLean and Councilmembers welcomed Los Angeles County Fire Chief Daryl L. Osby.

Mayor McLean and Councilmembers presented volunteers of the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life with a certificate on behalf of the City.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE CITY

Mayor McLean and Councilmembers presented the California Parks and Recreation Society Awards of Excellence, for the Great American Campout and Discovery Park, to the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services staff associated with the projects.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Ferry commented on the ranking of the Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Hospital and invited all to attend the Smile Stone event on April 27 at 5:00 at the Hospital; congratulated Mayor McLean and Mayor Pro Tem Ender on their successful Dancing with The

Stars participation; recognized the students from Valencia High School that were in attendance and commented on the upcoming Championship Volley Ball game; and announced that his son Nick will be playing in the NCAA Championship games.

Councilmember Ender announced that the City received its 21st consecutive Tree City USA Award and that Arbor Day festivities will be taking place on April 16 at Central Park; expressed gratitude to the Newhall School District and congratulated Robert Newman and the Public Works staff on receiving the Golden Apple Award for the Safe Routes to School program; and commented on the availability of applications for new library cards on line at www.santaclaritalibrary.com.

Councilmember Kellar commented and congratulated Mayor McLean and Mayor Pro Tem Ender on the Dancing With the Stars event; expressed gratitude and pride to the community for the many that showed up to pay respects to the family and show appreciation for Pfc. Rudy A. Acosta on March 31; and requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Mike Gadbury.

Councilmember Weste commented on the success of the Community Gardens at Central Park; commented on the Pioneer Oil Refinery Restoration Planning Session that she and Mayor McLean participated in on March 30; and stated that refinery was in operation on April 12, 1861, the day the American Civil War began; and commented further on the 150th anniversary and facts of the Civil War.

Mayor McLean commented that she filled out here new library card application online and how easy it was to do; commented on her attendance at the 24th SCV Safe Rides Recognition Dinner and the outstanding service that Penny Upton and the students provide; stated that she attended the Northern Corridor Cities meeting and shared that the I-5/14 interchange estimated completion is late summer/fall 2012 and that beginning in May Metrolink will be running an express train between Lancaster and Los Angeles with a stop in Santa Clarita; mentioned the Arbor Day event at Central Park; and commented on the Drive Thru Car Wash & BBQ Fundraiser taking place on April 17 at the Hyatt Regency back parking lot for Bryan Stow, who was attacked at a Dodger game and remains in a coma, and stated that anyone wishing to assist or donate to the event should contact Michael Hill at AMR.

ITEM 1

CONSENT CALENDAR

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the previous City Council and Redevelopment Agency meetings are submitted for approval.

City Council: Approve the minutes of the March 15, 2011, special meeting; approve the minutes of the March 22, 2011, special and regular joint meetings.

Redevelopment Agency: Approve the minutes of the March 15, 2011, special meeting; approve the minutes of the March 22, 2011, special and regular joint meetings.

ITEM 2

CONSENT CALENDAR

READING OF ORDINANCE TITLES

Government Code Section 36934 requires that all ordinances be read in full prior to Council taking action on the ordinance. By listing the ordinance title on the Council agenda, Council may determine that the title has been read. City Council determine that the titles to all ordinances which appear on this public agenda have been read and waive further reading.

ITEM 3

CONSENT CALENDAR

SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 12.84 OF TITLE 12 TO THE SANTA CLARITA MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE REGULATION OF MOBILE BILLBOARD ADVERTISING DISPLAYS

Mobile billboard advertising displays are signs that are attached to trailers and other non motorized vehicles for the purpose of advertising on the public right of way. Recently, city staff have received numerous complaints about these signs posing a visual blight and a safety hazard. While citations can currently be issued for trailers that are detached from vehicle, towing repeat offender mobile billboard advertising displays requires posted signs stating that the trailers can be removed from the public streets. In order to remove the mobile billboard advertising displays, the State Code must be adopted so that the sign requirement is removed and the owners can be criminally charged for the violations. City Council conduct a second reading and adopt **Ordinance No. 11-7** entitled, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA ADDING CHAPTER 12.84 OF TITLE 12 TO THE SANTA CLARITA MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE REGULATION OF MOBILE BILLBOARD ADVERTISING DISPLAYS" adding chapter 12.84 to the Santa Clarita Municipal Code pertaining to the regulation of mobile billboard advertising displays,

ITEM 4

CONSENT CALENDAR

CHECK REGISTER NO. 6

Approval of the Check Register. City Council approve and ratify for payment the demands presented in Check Register No. 6.

Motion by Weste, second by Kellar, to approve the Consent Calendar.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Kellar, Ender, Ferry, Weste, McLean

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ITEM 5

PUBLIC HEARING

NORLAND ROAD/ROBINSON RANCH 2 ANNEXATION; MASTER CASE 08-112 INCLUDING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 08-001(B), PREZONE 08-001(B), AND A

REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION 08-001(B) TO THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (LAFCO)

Mayor McLean opened the public hearing.

Susan Caputo, Deputy City Clerk, stated that all notices required by law have been provided.

Patrick Leclair, Associate Planner, advised a request to amend the General Plan and Prezone the Norland Road/Robinson Ranch 2 Annexation Area, and authorize staff to submit an application to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) for the purposes of annexation.

No requests to speak were received on this item.

Mayor McLean closed the public hearing.

Motion by Kellar, second by Ender, to adopt Resolution No. 11-15 approving General Plan Amendment 08-001(b) for the Norland Road/Robinson Ranch 2 Annexation Area; introduce and pass to second reading an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING PREZONE NO. 08-001(B) (MASTER CASE 08-112) FOR THE NORLAND ROAD/ROBINSON RANCH 2 ANNEXATION AREA, AS SHOWN IN EXHIBIT "A"; and adopt Resolution No. 11-16 authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to submit an application to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to annex 187 acres of land to the City of Santa Clarita for the Norland Road/Robinson Ranch 2 Annexation Area.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Ender, Ferry, Weste, Kellar, McLean

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ITEM 6

PUBLIC HEARING

ELSMERE CANYON ANNEXATION; MASTER CASE 10-150 INCLUDING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 10-003, PREZONE 10-002, AND A REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION 10-002 AND SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT 10-002 TO THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION.

Mayor McLean opened the public hearing

Deputy City Clerk Susan Caputo reported that all notices required by law have been provided.

Ben Jarvis, Assistant Planner, advised that this project proposes a General Plan Amendment and Prezone for the purpose of annexing Elsmere Canyon to the City of Santa Clarita.

No requests to speak were received on this item.

Mayor McLean closed the public hearing.

Motion by Weste, second by McLean, to adopt Resolution No. 11-17 approving General Plan Amendment 10-003 for the Elsmere Canyon Annexation; introduce and pass to second reading an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING PREZONE NO. 10-002 FOR THE ELSMERE CANYON ANNEXATION AREA AS SHOWN;" and adopt Resolution No. 11-18 authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to submit an application to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) requesting annexation of approximately 807 acres of land to the City of Santa Clarita for the Elsmere Canyon area and to simultaneously process a Sphere of Influence Amendment in association with the annexation.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Ferry, Weste, Kellar, Ender, McLean

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ITEM 7

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

RECONSIDERATION OF STATE ROUTE 14/SAND CANYON ROAD GATEWAY BEAUTIFICATION, PROJECT B3003 AND FEDERAL-AID PROJECT RPSTPLE-5450(059), STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - AWARD DESIGN CONTRACT

Motion by Weste, second by Ferry to reconsider Item 7.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

Curtis Nay, Assistant Engineer, advised that the project will install landscaping, hardscape, and irrigation systems along State Route 14 on- and off-ramps and Sand Canyon Road within the City of Santa Clarita and within the jurisdiction of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

Addressing the Council on this item was Alan Ferdman.

Motion by Weste, second by Ferry, to award the contract for landscape architecture and engineering design services to Valley Crest Design Group for the State Route 14/Sand Canyon Road Gateway Beautification, Project B3003, in the amount of \$229,530, plus a contingency in the amount of \$29,318, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$258,848; appropriate \$78,264 from Landscape Maintenance District Fund 357 to Expenditure Account B3003357-5161.001; and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents, subject to City Attorney approval.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Weste, Kellar, Ender, Ferry, McLean

Noes: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

ITEM 8

NEW BUSINESS

FORMATION OF A CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE

Ken Pulskamp, City Manager, advised that during the January 25, 2011, City Council Meeting, Councilmember Bob Kellar requested that the City Council consider forming a City Council Public Safety Subcommittee.

Council discussion included possible functions and parameters of the committee; being sensitive to law enforcement; how often the committee might meet; possible exposure of open cases; responsibility to the public; and the need, or lack thereof, for this type of committee.

Addressing the Council on this item was TimBen Boydston.

Council direction to return this item at a future meeting with parameters for a Public Safety Subcommittee and specific reasons for formation; and having the City Manager and the Mayor take a look at the list of committees to ensure they are still necessitated.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Addressing the Council was Gus Raya, regarding the City's contract with LSSI; Scott Wilk, regarding the Citizen's Redistricting Commission; Valerie Thomas, regarding the library system; and David Gauny, regarding Council comments made to Alan Ferdman.

One written comment card was received.

STAFF COMMENTS (Matters of Public Participation)

Ken Pulskamp, City Manager, commented that in the matter of Citizen Redistricting Commission that the Legislative Committee will be discussing the issue on April 18 and that the meeting is open to the public; regarding the library that there have been extensive public hearings and opportunity to discuss; expressed that the comment made about Council and staff treating citizens as a nuisance was not reflective of how the City conducts itself, and commented on the the overall high level of responsiveness that he and all City staff provide to the community.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McLean adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m in memory of Mike Gadbury

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held Tuesday, April 26, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 1st floor of City Hall, 23920 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita, CA.


Marsha M. Leon
MAYOR

ATTEST:



ACTING CITY CLERK