

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC
FINANCING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA
CONVENED THIS 16th DAY OF JANUARY, 2013 7:35 P.M.
AMEDEE O. "DICK" RICHARDS, JR., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1424 MISSION STREET**

**ROLL CALL, INVOCATION,
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Schneider convened the open session of the regular meeting of the South Pasadena City Council/Redevelopment Successor Agency (Agency)/Public Financing Authority (Authority) at 7:35 p.m. City Clerk/Agency/Authority Secretary Kilby called the roll. City Councilmembers/Agency and Authority Members present: Cacciotti, Joe and Putnam; Mayor Pro Tem/Agency and Authority Vice Chair Khubesrian; and Mayor/Agency and Authority Chair Schneider. Absent: None. Other Officials present: City Treasurer Pia; City Manager/Agency and Authority Executive Director Gonzalez; City Attorney/Agency and Authority Counsel Adams; Assistant City Manager Straus; Police Chief Payne; Fire Chief Wallace; City Librarian Fjeldsted; Public Works Director Toor; Planning and Building Director Watkins; Transportation Manager Woods; Senior Planner Mayer; Assistant Planner Vizcarra; Grants Analyst Perkosky; and City Clerk Kilby.

Mayor Pro Tem Khubesrian offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM REMOVED FROM
AGENDA:
RECOMMENDATIONS
FROM THE SOUTHWEST
MONTEREY HILLS
CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE**

Mayor Schneider announced that Item #19, Recommendations from the Southwest Monterey Hills Citizen's Committee, would not be heard tonight. It is being rescheduled for a future date. He determined that there were no speaker cards on this item. He invited public comment on the issue; no one came forward.

**CLOSED SESSION
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

City Attorney Adams said that shortly after 6:30 p.m., Mayor Schneider called to order the regular meeting of the January 16, 2013, South Pasadena City Council/Redevelopment Successor Agency/Public Financing Authority. He reported that there was no one who wanted to speak on items on the Closed Session agenda. He said Mayor Schneider then recessed the City Council meeting into Closed Session to discuss items on the Closed Session

agenda. All members of the City Council were present, he said. He said the first item was conference with legal counsel, initiation of litigation, allowed into Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c), one case. He said he provided the City Council with a briefing on this item; the City Council provided direction, and no final action was taken. He said the final item was labor negotiations, allowed into Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, conference with labor negotiators regarding all of the bargaining units of the City with the exception of the Battalion Chiefs' unit. He said the City negotiators included City Manager Sergio Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager Hilary Straus, Finance Director Chu Thai, and Legal Counsel Richard Kreisler. The labor negotiators provided the City Council with an update on current labor negotiations and received direction from the City Council. However, he said, the Council took no final reportable action.

**PRESENTATION OF
CERTIFICATES OF
APPRECIATION TO
OUTGOING
COMMISSIONERS
MARILYN ANDERSON,
CHRISTOPHER GLAESER,
MARGARET LEONG,
WILLIAM KELLY,
COLLEEN KEOUGH,
CHARLES MINNING,
MADALYNNE WARDLOW,
AND EVELYN G. ZNEIMER**

Mayor Schneider presented Certificates of Appreciation to outgoing Commissioners Marilyn Anderson, who served for three years (2009-2012) on the Finance Committee; to Margaret Leong, who served for six years (2006-2012) on the Library Board of Trustees; to William Kelly, who served for five-and-one-half years (2007-2102) on the Natural Resources and Environmental Commission; to Colleen Keough, who served for more than six years (2006-2012) on the Animal Commission; to Charles Minning, who served for seven years (2006-2012) on the Public Safety Commission; and to Evelyn G. Zneimer, who served for more than seven years (2005-2012) on the Parks and Recreation Commission. He noted that Christopher Glaeser, who served for two years (2011-2012) on the Freeway and Transportation Commission, was not in attendance to receive his certificate.

**PRESENTATION OF THE FY
2011-12 ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE PLANNING
COMMISSION**

Steven Friedman, Chair, Planning Commission, presented the Commission's annual report. Councilmembers Joe and Cacciotti expressed appreciation for the Commission's work.

**PRESENTATION OF THE FY
2011-12 ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE FREEWAY AND
TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION**

Alan Reynolds, Vice Chair, Freeway and Transportation Commission, presented the Commission's annual report. Mayor Schneider thanked the Commission for its efforts.

**PRESENTATION OF THE
GRANTS PROGRAM
OVERVIEW**

Grants Analyst Perkosky presented an overview of the City's grants program. She responded to questions. Mayor Pro Tem Khubesrian, Councilmember Cacciotti, and Mayor Schneider acknowledged her efforts.

**COUNCILMEMBERS'
COMMENTS (3 MINUTES
EACH)**

Councilmember Putnam announced a Special Election called by the South Pasadena Unified School District (SPUSD) Board of Directors for March 12, 2013. He said Measure S, a parcel tax to benefit the SPUSD, will appear on the ballot. He indicated support for the measure.

Councilmember Cacciotti acknowledged efforts of Public Works staff for quick street repair at Brent Avenue and Oxley Street. He acknowledged efforts of staff to prepare presentations for him to speak on the SR-710 issue at various meetings.

Councilmember Cacciotti requested that an item be added to a future agenda for the City Council to receive a report on the status of the Fair Oaks Avenue/110 offramp/onramp project—funds that are remaining, and funding needed to complete the two projects. This was seconded by Mayor Schneider.

Councilmember Cacciotti requested that an item be added to a future agenda to consider requesting State Assembly/Senate representatives to investigate restoring local control to cities over massage parlors, seconded by Councilmember Putnam. He said legislation enacted several years ago took away local control.

Councilmember Cacciotti requested adding to a future agenda consideration to adopt a resolution to support acceleration of troop withdrawal from Afghanistan, to hasten withdrawal to late 2013 or early 2014, seconded by Mayor Schneider.

Councilmember Cacciotti reported on Santa Monica

Mountains Conservancy programs.

Mayor Pro Tem Khubesrian spoke about activities to support Measure S, a parcel tax extension for the South Pasadena Unified School District.

Mayor Schneider announced a workshop on “Near Roadway Air Quality Monitoring: Requirements and Status in the South Coast Air Basin,” and displayed a flyer on the overhead projector.

Mayor Schneider requested adding to a future agenda consideration to support a motion passed by the South Pasadena Freeway and Transportation Commission that recommends that the City Council authorize an investigation into the delegation of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act, and to look at an environmental review and authorization to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and if Caltrans has been negligent in that role; and what the approval process is for the environmental impact report. This was seconded by Councilmember Cacciotti.

**CITY MANAGER
COMMUNICATIONS**

City Manager Gonzalez announced an upcoming City Strategic Planning session on Saturday, January 26, 2013, starting at 8:30 a.m., at the Senior Center.

He reported that the State Department of Finance (Department) is contesting a formerly owned Redevelopment Agency property behind the Bank of America. He said the City “A Team” will be going to Sacramento to confer with the Department: Assistant City Manager Straus, Councilmember Putnam, Legal Counsel and the Senior Planner. He explained the reason for the contest—the City did not use housing funds to purchase the parcel. The property is key to the redevelopment project, he said. Councilmember Joe asked if the State Senator and Assemblymember had been contacted in order to secure their support; City Manager Gonzalez said that this would be discussed at the next team meeting.

City Manager Gonzalez introduced new employees Leaonna DeWitt, Public Works Assistant; and Debbie Figoni, Water Conservation Analyst. As

requested by Councilmember Joe, Analyst Figoni shared her background in the environmental field.

**REORDERING OF AND
ADDITIONS TO THE
AGENDA**

City Manager Gonzalez requested that Item #20, Arroyo Seco Trail, be heard sooner on the agenda since the consultant was in the audience. Without objection, Mayor Schneider said the item would be heard following the Consent Calendar.

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM
THE CONSENT CALENDAR
FOR SEPARATE
CONSIDERATION**

Councilmember Cacciotti requested removing Item #10, Warrants; and Item #13, Agreement for bond counsel.

**APPROVAL OF THE
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETINGS OF
DECEMBER 19, 2012 AND
JANUARY 2, 2013**

By roll call vote (5 ayes), the City Council approved the minutes of the regular City Council meetings of December 19, 2012, and January 2, 2013.

(Khubesrian, Cacciotti)

**APPROVAL OF MAYOR'S
CITY COUNCIL LIAISON
APPOINTMENTS AND
APPROVAL OF
RESOLUTION NO. 7261
APPOINTING DELEGATES
TO VARIOUS OUTSIDE
ENTITIES**

By roll call vote (5 ayes), the City Council approved the Mayor's list of Council liaison appointments to various commissions, boards and committees; and adopted Resolution No. 7261, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, APPOINTING DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES AS OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA.

(Khubesrian, Cacciotti)

**SECOND READING AND
ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE
NO. 2242 TO AMEND THE
SOUTH PASADENA
MUNICIPAL CODE
RELATED TO
REGULATIONS FOR
WATER-CONSERVATION
IN LANDSCAPING**

By roll call vote (5 ayes), the City Council read by title only for second reading, waiving further reading, and adopted Ordinance No. 2242, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 9.8 (INADEQUATE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE) OF ARTICLE VIII (MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND LOTS) OF CHAPTER 9 (BUILDINGS), REPEALING AND REPLACING ARTICLE III (WATER CONSERVATION IN LANDSCAPING) OF CHAPTER 35 (WATER) WITH ARTICLE III (WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE) RELATING TO WATER CONSERVATION.

(Khubesrian, Cacciotti)

AUTHORIZATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LOS ANGELES RIVER BACTERIA TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD COORDINATED MONITORING PLAN

By roll call vote (5 ayes), the City Council authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Gateway Cities Council of Governments (COG) for the implementation of a Coordinated Monitoring Plan (CMP) to study the Bacteria Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for the Los Angeles River.

(Khubesrian, Cacciotti)

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-01 ESTABLISHING A REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE OF THE SOUTH PASADENA PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY (PFA)

By roll call vote (5 ayes), the City Council seated as the Board of Directors of the South Pasadena Public Financing Authority adopted Resolution No. 2013-01, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

(Khubesrian, Cacciotti)

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION: ALEXANDER MAIN FOR A PARTIAL TERM UNTIL DECEMBER 2013; AND JOHN E. FISHER, CLINTON L. GRANATH, AND MATHEW M. PENDO FOR FULL TERMS UNTIL DECEMBER 2015

By roll call vote (5 ayes), the City Council approved the appointment of Alexander Main to the newly established Public Works Commission for a partial term until December 2013; and approved the appointments of John E. Fisher, Clinton L. Granath, and Mathew M. Pendo to the Public Works Commission for full three-year terms until December 2015.

(Khubesrian, Cacciotti)

APPROVAL OF PREPAID WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$427,648.56, GENERAL CITY WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$312,158.92 AND PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$473,380.79

Councilmember Cacciotti asked about numerous warrants for vehicle repair, responded to by Finance Director Thai. Councilmember Cacciotti requested that the type of vehicle being serviced be included on the warrant listing. He said that these repair shops should be included on the City's lists of contracts, and that every year, the vendors should be reviewed to ensure that the City is obtaining the best service and price.

By roll call vote (5 ayes), the City Council approved Prepaid Warrants #176370-176414 in the amount of \$427,648.56; General City Warrants in the amount

of #176415-176559 for \$312,158.92; and payroll 01-04-13 in the amount of \$473,380.79, for a total of \$1,213,188.27. Sitting as the Successor Agency to the Community Redevelopment Agency, the City Council approved Redevelopment Successor Agency warrants for \$16,071.83 (included in above total).

(Cacciotti, Khubesrian)

**APPROVAL OF
AGREEMENT WITH
FULBRIGHT & JAWORSKI
FOR BOND COUNSEL AND
DISCLOSURE COUNSEL
SERVICES**

Councilmember Cacciotti requested a status report on the project of acquiring bond counsel and disclosure counsel services for refunding/refinancing the City's 2004 water bonds. Finance Director Thai and City Manager Gonzalez responded, reporting on the progress to date and answering additional questions. Gary Pia, City Treasurer, provided additional information.

Councilmember Joe requested that the City Council be provided with periodic updates.

By roll call vote (5 ayes), the City Council approved the agreement with Fulbright and Jaworski, LLP, in substantially the form as proposed, to provide bond counsel and disclosure counsel services; and appropriated \$49,350 from the Water Enterprise Fund to fund the agreement.

(Cacciotti, Khubesrian)

**PUBLIC COMMENT
Senior services**

Robert Wagner, no address stated, said he was representing the senior citizens of the City. He commended Liliana Torres, Senior Center Supervisor. He urged the City Council to expand facilities for senior citizens. He distributed materials to the City Council about his background.

Hanscom Drive street repair

Leslie Crumley, 1821 Hanscom Drive, urged the City Council to fund the Hanscom Drive street repair. Elisabeth Emirhanian, no address stated, thanked the City Council for holding a neighborhood meeting on the subject. She commended the Public Works staff for its efforts at the meeting.

**PRESENTATION OF
CONCEPTUAL DESIGN FOR
THE ARROYO SECO**

Mayor Schneider noted that this item would be taken next, as decided earlier in the meeting.

**BICYCLE AND
PEDESTRIAN TRAIL
PROJECT**

Public Works Director Toor presented the staff report on the conceptual design for the Arroyo Seco Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail Project.

Consultant Doug Grove, RHA Landscape Architects, Riverside, made a presentation about the project. He responded to questions.

Councilmember Cacciotti asked about the timetable for the design so that he can explore funding for the construction.

Councilmember Putnam requested that the City's insurance authority be consulted as to recommendations it would have regarding design. Public Works Director Toor said that the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority will be contacted on this issue.

City Manager Gonzalez, Consultant Grove, and Public Works Director Toor responded to additional questions. Discussion followed.

Dianne Domingo-Foraste, no address stated, requested that equestrians be permitted input into the final design. She supported investigating the liability issues. She requested that the City work with the equestrians on fencing. She said horses have used the trail since 1906 and beforehand.

Scott Cher, no address stated, who said he was speaking on behalf of the Arroyo Seco Foundation, expressed support for the project and thanked those who are participating in its development.

Councilmember Cacciotti thanked staff, the community, commissioners, volunteers, and outside organizations for their participation in the project.

By roll call vote (5 ayes), the City Council received and filed the report on the Arroyo Seco Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail Project.

(Cacciotti, Joe)

**PUBLIC HEARING
FIRST READING AND
INTRODUCTION OF AN
ORDINANCE TO AMEND**

Senior Planner Mayer presented the staff report on the proposed ordinance to amend the South Pasadena Municipal Code regarding nonconforming historic garages. He responded to questions.

**THE SOUTH PASADENA
MUNICIPAL CODE
REGARDING NON-
CONFORMING HISTORIC
GARAGES**

Mayor Schneider opened the public hearing.

John Lesak, 1242 Kollie Avenue, Vice Chair, Cultural Heritage Commission, made a presentation about the background of the issue and the Commission's recommendations.

Mayor Schneider closed the public hearing.

By roll call vote (5 ayes), the City Council read by title only for first reading, waiving further reading, and introduced AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 36.310.040 AND 36.360.090 OF THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS AND ALLOWING ALTERATIONS OR ADDITIONS TO NONCONFORMING STRUCTURES LISTED ON THE CULTURAL HERITAGE INVENTORY PROVIDED THAT CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES APPLY, allowing the Planning and Building Director to waive the requirements for two covered parking spaces in connection with an addition to a historic dwelling unit if certain circumstances apply.

(Cacciotti, Putnam)

**ADOPT RESOLUTION NO.
7262 INITIATING A ZONING
CODE AMENDMENT
REGARDING LAND USE
AND PARKING
REGULATIONS RELATED
TO THE BUSINESS PARK
ZONE AND COMMERCIAL
USES**

Assistant Planner Vizcarra presented the staff report on the proposed resolution on initiating a Zoning Code Amendment regarding land use and parking regulations related to the Business Park Zone and commercial uses. She responded to questions.

Scott Feldmann, CEO, Chamber of Commerce, said the Chamber supports the proposal.

Brian Rhodes, EnviroFinance, 520 Capitol Mall, Suite #200, Sacramento, who said the company is the new owner of the Ostrich Farm Business Park, 145 Pasadena Avenue, expressed support for the proposal to amend the parking requirements.

Questions followed, responded to by Assistant Planner Vizcarra, Planning and Building Director Watkins, and City Manager Gonzalez.

By roll call vote (5 ayes), the City Council adopted

Resolution No. 7262, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING PARKING REGULATIONS AND LAND USE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BUSINESS PARK ZONE AND COMMERCIAL USES, to codify policy changes related to land-use requirements and parking regulations affecting the Ostrich Farm Area.

(Cacciotti, Joe)

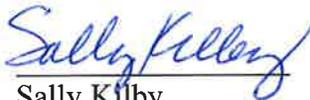
**RECOMMENDATIONS
FROM THE SOUTHWEST
MONTEREY HILLS
CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE
REGARDING STATUS OF,
AND REVISIONS TO, THE
2006 RECOMMENDATIONS**

This item had been removed from the agenda and will be taken up at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

By consensus, the City Council adjourned the regular City Council/Redevelopment Successor Agency/Public Financing Authority meeting at 9:26 p.m. in honor of Mr. Ken Yamanaka, active member of the Oneonta Club and the Kiwanis Club of South Pasadena, who passed away recently.

(Cacciotti, Putnam)



Sally Kilby
City Clerk



Richard D. Schneider, M.D.
Mayor