



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY/
PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY/HOUSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA CONVENED
THIS 15TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2014, AT 7:30 P.M.
AMEDEE O. "DICK" RICHARDS, JR., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1424 MISSION STREET**

ROLL CALL

Mayor Khubesrian convened the Regular Meeting of the South Pasadena City Council/Redevelopment Successor Agency (Agency)/Public Financing Authority (Authority)/Housing Authority (Authority) at 7:45 p.m.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Hall called the roll. Present were City Councilmembers/Agency/Authority Members Cacciotti, Mahmud, and Schneider; and Mayor Pro Tem/Agency/Authority Vice Chair Joe and Mayor/Agency/Authority Chair Khubesrian.

Absent: None.

Other Officials and Staff present: City Manager/Agency/Authority Executive Director Gonzalez; Assistant City Manager Straus; City Attorney/Agency/Authority Counsel Highsmith; Police Chief Miller; Deputy Fire Chief Riddle; Finance Director Batt; Planning and Building Director Watkins; Public Works Director Toor; Director of Library, Arts, and Culture Fjeldsted; Community Services Director Pautsch; Principal Management Analyst Lin; Senior Management Analyst Figoni; and Chief Deputy City Clerk Hall.

INVOCATION

There was no invocation presented.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Attorney Highsmith reported that Mayor Khubesian called to order at 6:35 p.m. the Closed Session Regular Meeting of the City Council of October 15, 2014, and that all Councilmembers were present, except for Councilmember Cacciotti, who arrived at 6:38 p.m. She indicated the meeting was convened into Closed Session to discuss the following items as listed on the Closed Session Agenda:

3. Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)

Pending Litigation: County of Los Angeles – Claim for Wrongfully Withheld Property Tax Administration Funds (PTAF)

4. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)

New Cingular v. City of Alameda, et. al. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, Case No. BC 462270

5. Labor Negotiations

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Conference with Labor Negotiators regarding labor negotiations with the following Employee organizations: Firefighters' Association (FFA), Police Officers' Association (POA), Public Service Employees' Association (PSEA), PSEA– Part Time Unit, Unrepresented Employees: Management Employees

City negotiators: City Manager Sergio Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager Hilary Straus, City Attorney Teresa L. Highsmith, and Legal Counsel Steve Berliner

City Attorney Highsmith announced that City Council provided direction to Legal Counsel regarding Closed Session Item Nos. 3 and 4; and direction was provided to the Labor Negotiator regarding Closed Session Item No. 5.

2. PRESENTATION BY CAROL LIU, CALIFORNIA STATE SENATOR: STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS

Mayor Khubesian announced that due to an unanticipated conflict with her schedule, Carol Liu, California State Senator, would not be in attendance at this evening's City Council Meeting.

3. PRESENTATION BY PAUL LEON, MAYOR, CITY OF ONTARIO, AND CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA REPRESENTATIVE ON THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE METRO GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY (FOOTHILL GOLD LINE): UPDATE ON THE FOOTHILL GOLD LINE

Mayor Khubesrian announced that due to an unanticipated conflict with his schedule, Paul Leon, Mayor, City of Ontario, and City of South Pasadena (City) Representative on the Governing Board of the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority, would not be in attendance at this evening's City Council Meeting.

4. PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO MARYSIA WOJCIK FOR VOLUNTEER SERVICE ON THE ANIMAL COMMISSION

Mayor Khubesrian presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Marysia Wojcik for her volunteer service on the Animal Commission.

5. PRESENTATION OF THE FY 2013-14 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FREEWAY & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

William Sherman, M.D., Chair, Freeway & Transportation Commission, presented the FY 2013-14 Annual Report of the Freeway & Transportation Commission.

6. COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS (3 MINUTES EACH)

Councilmember Schneider had no comments.

Councilmember Mahmud encouraged residents to vote at the upcoming November 4, 2014, General Election in support of the following propositions: 1) County of Los Angeles' Proposition P – Safe Neighborhood Parks Measure, recently adopted by the City; and 2) Proposition 1 – The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014, proposed for adoption on this evening's City Council Meeting Agenda. Councilmember Mahmud requested the Planning and Building Department consider placing public notice signage for pending land use permits, similar to the City of Pasadena, in front of properties, seconded by Councilmember Cacciotti.

Councilmember Cacciotti discussed the Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study IV (MATES IV). Councilmember Cacciotti requested the following items: 1) Public Works Commission review of traffic enforcement and speeding on Hawthorne Street, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Joe; 2) A report on the number of bikes stolen at the Mission-Meridian Metro Station and how to deter theft, seconded by Councilmember Mahmud; and 3) Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 (ETCP2) Draft Environmental Impact Report be added as an emergency item to this evening's City Council Meeting Agenda, seconded by Mayor Khubesrian. City Attorney Highsmith advised the City Council of the findings necessary to add an emergency item to the City Council Agenda as follows: 1) The need

for action came to the attention of the City subsequent to the Agenda being posted; 2) Discussion of item cannot be postponed; and 3) Item must receive a two-thirds affirmative vote. Councilmember Cacciotti indicated he was notified today by a City of South El Monte Councilmember that the ETCP2 Draft Environmental Impact Report would be discussed at the October 20, 2014, San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) Transportation Committee (TC) Meeting.

MOTION: M/S Cacciotti/Khubesrian to add the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Draft Environmental Impact Report to this evening's City Council Meeting Agenda as an emergency item. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Cacciotti, Joe, Mahmud, Schneider, and Mayor Khubesrian

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Pro Tem Joe announced and displayed a flyer for the Green Fair, in celebration of South Pasadena Nature Park's 10th Anniversary, to be held on October 18, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the Arroyo Seco South Pasadena Woodland and Wildlife Park.

Mayor Khubesrian requested the following items: 1) Preparation of a proclamation in support of the Special Olympics World Games - Los Angeles 2015, seconded by Councilmember Schneider; 2) Allocation of \$750 from her discretionary funds to co-sponsor a community screening of "Tough Guise 2," seconded by Councilmember Mahmud; and 3) Formation of a Rent Review Committee comprised of members of the community and renters, seconded by Councilmember Cacciotti. Mayor Khubesrian displayed a flyer announcing the World Food Day event, being held on October 16, 2014, from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., at the South Pasadena Public Library. Mayor Khubesrian displayed a PowerPoint Presentation entitled "Bring Your Own Bag." Mayor Khubesrian thanked South Pasadena High School (SPHS) Key Club President Justin Burger and SPHS Key Club Members; and local artist Kelly Conte for their participation in the "Bring Your Own Bag" event.

7. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Gonzalez announced the following items and displayed PowerPoint slides: 1) Community Center Design Open House being held on October 18, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the South Pasadena Senior Center; 2) Halloween Spooktacular event being held on October 31, 2014, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at Orange Grove Park; and 3) Update on the Mission-Meridian Village Parking Garage.

8. REORDERING OF AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Agenda Item No. 19 was added to the City Council Meeting Agenda as an emergency item.

9. PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF DOREEN SIODMAK TO THE ANIMAL COMMISSION TO FILL A PARTIAL TERM UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2016

Mayor Khubesrian proposed the appointment of Doreen Siodmak to the Animal Commission to fill a partial term until December 31, 2016.

MOTION: M/S Cacciotti/Joe to approve the appointment of Doreen Siodmak to the Animal Commission to fill a partial term until December 31, 2016. By roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. Absent: None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: M/S Cacciotti/Joe to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 including Prepaid Warrants #185282-185339 in the amount of \$377,754.94, General City Warrants #185340-185479 in the amount of \$418,328.77, Payroll 10-10-14 in the amount of \$426,626.70, totaling \$1,222,710.41; and seated as the Successor Agency to the Community Redevelopment Agency, approve Redevelopment Successor Agency warrants for \$7,598.01 (included in above total). By roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. Absent: None.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

10. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 1, 2014

11. APPROVAL OF PREPAID WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$377,754.94, GENERAL CITY WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$418,328.77, AND PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$426,626.70

12. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2275 PROHIBITING MOBILE ADVERTISING VEHICLES

13. MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORTS FOR AUGUST 2014

14. RESOLUTION NO. 7379 SUPPORTING PROPOSITION 1 – WATER QUALITY, SUPPLY AND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2014

15. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE 2013 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,486

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Khubesrian opened the Public Comments section.

Ben Wong, Private Citizen, requested the City Council Meeting be adjourned in memory of Michael A. Harris, Reporter for the San Francisco Chronicle and inspiration for the passage of the Ralph M. Brown Act, who recently passed away.

Lisa Cavelier, South Pasadena Resident, provided information on the upcoming Special Olympics World Games - Los Angeles 2015.

Harrison Hoffman, South Pasadena Resident, provided information on the upcoming Special Olympics World Games - Los Angeles 2015.

Gus Mojarro, San Gabriel Resident, commented regarding the construction fence in the back of his property and the City's water tank located in the City of San Gabriel. Mayor Khubesian indicated that staff would follow up on this matter.

Shlomo Nitzani, South Pasadena Resident, commented on the following items: 1) Bicycle lanes in the City of Los Angeles; 2) Traffic issues at Indiana Avenue and Monterey Road; and 3) FY 2014-15 City Budget.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Khubesian closed the Public Comments section.

ACTION/DISCUSSION

16. CONSIDERATION OF THE 2015 CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY MEETING SCHEDULE

Chief Deputy City Clerk Hall presented the staff report and responded to City Councilmembers' questions.

MOTION: M/S Mahmud/Joe to: 1) Cancel the April 1 and 15, 2015, City Council/Successor Agency/Public Financing Authority Regular Meetings; 2) Schedule City Council/Successor Agency/Public Financing Authority Special Meetings on April 8 and 22, 2015; and 3) Cancel the August 5, 2015, City Council/Successor Agency/Public Financing Authority Regular Meeting. By roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. Absent: None.

17. DIRECTION REGARDING COMPLETION OF THE HUNTINGTON MEDIAN LANDSCAPE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

Senior Management Analyst Figoni presented the staff report as part of a PowerPoint Presentation and responded to Councilmembers' questions.

Public Works Director Toor provided an update on the health of the trees in the median on Huntington Drive (Median).

Mayor Khubesian opened the Public Comments section.

There being no speakers, Mayor Khubesrian closed the Public Comments section.

Mayor Khubesrian explained that the Huntington Median Landscape Demonstration Project (Project) was called a “demonstration project” to provide an example to the public of alternative options that could be installed in lieu of turf. She indicated a preference for a broader display that was not too specific. Mayor Khubesrian indicated this option was within the budget and that she would like to preserve the trees in the Median.

Councilmember Schneider concurred with Mayor Khubesrian’s aforementioned comments and stated that he generally was not in support of removing mature trees unless it was necessary.

In response to Councilmember Mahmud’s question, Senior Management Analyst Figoni stated the irrigation plan would include a special irrigation plan for the trees in the Median.

Mayor Pro Tem Joe indicated opposition to the removal of trees in the Median and expending additional funds for the Project.

Councilmember Cacciotti presented photographs of the trees in the Median. He stated the trees in the three dimensional rendering displayed in the PowerPoint Presentation, were not an accurate depiction of the trees in the Median.

Councilmember Mahmud indicated that the Median was not the appropriate location for a dry stream bed and would be more supportive of expending additional funds if the budget allowed for it. She indicated support of expanding the demonstration area to reduce water usage. Councilmember Mahmud concurred with Mayor Pro Tem Joe’s aforementioned comments.

Discussion followed among City Councilmembers regarding drainage and sustainable landscaping.

MOTION: M/S Khubesrian/Joe to approve the Huntington Median Landscape Demonstration Project, Option #2, with the addition of rocks; no removal of Median trees; and no installation of a dry stream bed. By roll call vote, the motion passed 4-1. No: Cacciotti.

18. FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 20E ("REGULATING SEX OFFENDERS") OF THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE

City Attorney Highsmith presented the staff report and responded to Councilmembers’ questions.

In response to Councilmember Cacciotti's question, Police Chief Miller discussed how registered sex offenders were monitored. Police Chief Miller stated there were eight registered sex offenders in the City.

Mayor Khubesian opened the Public Comments section.

Sam Burgess, South Pasadena Resident, commented on how the sex offender ordinance would affect local convalescent facilities.

City Manager Gonzalez clarified that anyone who resides in the City, including those residing in local convalescent facilities, must register with the South Pasadena Police Department.

Mayor Khubesian closed the Public Comments section.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Hall presented and read by title AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2189, CHAPTER 20E (REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS), OF THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE.

MOTION: M/S Cacciotti/Joe to read by title only for first reading, waive further reading, and introduce AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2189, CHAPTER 20E (REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS), OF THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Cacciotti, Joe, Mahmud, Schneider, and Mayor Khubesian

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

**19. DIRECTION REGARDING THE EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE
2 DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (NO STAFF REPORT)**

City Manager Gonzalez presented the staff report. He explained Councilmember Cacciotti's request to add an emergency item to this evening's City Council Meeting Agenda. City Manager Gonzalez reported that the SGVCOG was holding a TC Meeting on October 20, 2014, and one of the items to be discussed was the ETCP2 Draft Environmental Impact Report. He indicated Principal Management Analyst Lin would be in attendance at the SGVCOG TC Meeting and could provide testimony on behalf of the City.

Councilmember Cacciotti stated he received correspondence today from a City of South El Monte Councilmember who indicated that pro-State Route 710 (SR-710) cities might request the ETCP2 Draft Environmental Impact Report public comment period be

extended. Councilmember Cacciotti stated he was not certain of the City of South El Monte's strategy. He indicated the matter, as listed on the SGVCOG TC Meeting Agenda, was ambiguous.

Councilmember Mahmud stated it was also appropriate to discuss the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) Report as listed on the SGVCOG TC Meeting Agenda.

Councilmember Schneider provided project information on the ETCP2. He indicated two routes were being considered. Councilmember Schneider stated he was not certain which route was preferred and what position the City should support.

Councilmember Mahmud provided project information on the ETCP2. Councilmember Mahmud discussed the City of South El Monte's position, which was for Metro to make a determination sooner rather than later regarding the ETCP2 Draft Environmental Impact Report. Councilmember Mahmud stated she was not comfortable supporting a position that opposes the granting of an extension of time for submission of public comments to the ETCP2 Draft Environmental Impact Report. She recommended the City remain neutral on the matter since the City has gone on record to request from Metro additional time to respond to the SR-710 Draft Environmental Impact Report.

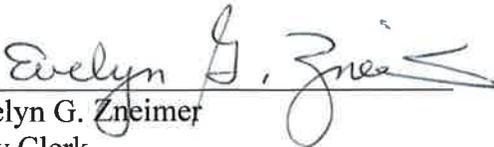
Discussion followed on what position the City should support if a specific request for support is received.

There was consensus by the City Council to maintain a position that would not cause a division among the City and other SGVCOG cities that support or oppose the extension of the public comment period for the ETCP2 Draft Environmental Impact Report.

Councilmember Mahmud recommended that the City authorize staff to address the SGVCOG TC with comments consistent with the views identified in the letter that was recently sent to the SGVCOG. There were no objections from the City Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Khubesrian adjourned the Regular Meeting of the South Pasadena City Council/Redevelopment Successor Agency/Public Financing Authority/Housing Authority in memory of Michael A. Harris at 9:28 p.m.


Evelyn G. Zneimer
City Clerk


Marina Khubesrian, M.D.
Mayor

Minutes approved by the South Pasadena City Council on November 5, 2014.