



**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 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 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 7:35 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; City Clerk Zneimer; Acting Police Captain Neff; 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; Executive Assistant Demirjian; Principal Management Analyst Lin; and Chief Deputy City Clerk Hall.

INVOCATION

Mayor Khubesrian presented the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Julian Lopez, Commissioner General, South Pasadena High School ASB, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Attorney Highsmith reported that Mayor Khubesrian called to order at 6:30 p.m. the Closed Session Regular Meeting of the City Council of November 5, 2014, and that all Councilmembers were present, except for Councilmember Cacciotti, who arrived at 6:44 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)

Name of case: City of South Pasadena et al v. Federal Highway Administration:
CA Department of Transportation et al. [United States District Court CV
98-6996]

4. Initiation of Litigation

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(4)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—INITIATION OF LITIGATION

Number of Cases: 1

City Attorney Highsmith announced that direction was provided to Legal Counsel regarding Closed Session Item No. 3; and direction was provided and no action was taken regarding Closed Session Item No. 4.

2. SOUTH PASADENA TOURNAMENT OF ROSES COMMITTEE ANNUAL FLOAT FUNDRAISER DRAWING FOR THE ULTIMATE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES EXPERIENCE

Mayor Khubesrian drew three winning tickets for the Ultimate Tournament of Roses Experience.

3. PRESENTATION OF A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO DR. NANCY LAVELLE FOR OVER 40 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE SOUTH PASADENA COMMUNITY

Mayor Khubesrian announced that Dr. Nancy Lavelle was not present to receive her Certificate of Appreciation and that it would be mailed to her.

4. PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER 17-21, 2014, AS "HOMELESS AWARENESS WEEK" IN THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA

Mayor Khubesrian presented a Proclamation declaring November 17 - 21, 2014, as "Homeless Awareness Week" in the City of South Pasadena to Todd Palmquist, Executive Director, San Gabriel Valley Consortium on Homelessness.

5. PROCLAMATION DECLARING JULY 25, 2015 TO AUGUST 2, 2015, AS “SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORLD GAMES 2015” IN THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA

Mayor Khubesian presented a Proclamation declaring July 25, 2015 to August 2, 2015, as “Special Olympics World Games 2015” in the City of South Pasadena (City) to Lisa Cavelier and Laura Kieffer, Co-Chairs, Host Town South Pasadena Organizing Committee.

6. CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION OF THE DINOSAUR FARM’S 20TH ANNIVERSARY AND FOR BEING NAMED ONE OF BUZZFEED’S BEST INTERNATIONAL TOY STORES

Mayor Khubesian presented a Certificate of Recognition of The Dinosaur Farm’s 20th Anniversary and for being named one of BuzzFeed’s Best International Toy Stores to David Plenn, Owner, The Dinosaur Farm.

7. PRESENTATION OF THE FY 2013-14 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Kim Hughes, Chair, Natural Resources and Environmental Commission (NREC), presented the FY 2013-14 Annual Report of the Natural Resources and Environmental Commission.

8. PRESENTATION OF THE FY 2013-14 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Ronald Rosen, Chair, Parks and Recreation Commission, presented the FY 2013-14 Annual Report of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

9. COUNCILMEMBERS’ COMMENTS (3 MINUTES EACH)

Councilmember Mahmud provided an update on the following measures voted on at the November 4, 2014, General Election: 1) County of Los Angeles’ Proposition P – Safe Neighborhood Parks Measure - did not receive enough votes; and 2) Proposition 1 – The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 – passed. Councilmember Mahmud discussed the Memorandums of Understandings with various employee bargaining units that are proposed for adoption on this evening’s Consent Calendar.

Councilmember Schneider provided the following updates: 1) A report on synthetic turf will be presented at a future City Council Meeting; 2) A celebration of South Pasadena Nature Park’s 10th Anniversary was held on October 18, 2014, at the Arroyo Seco South Pasadena Woodland and Wildlife Park; 3) NREC is developing a strategy to preserve the City’s distressed trees; and 4) Renewable Energy Committee members will be selected by

the City Council. Councilmember Schneider requested that Metro provide mitigation measures for the increase in rail crossings due to the extension of the Metro Gold Line (GL) to Azusa, seconded by Councilmember Cacciotti.

Councilmember Cacciotti thanked staff and volunteers for coordinating the South Pasadena Nature Park's 10th Anniversary, especially the volunteers who first worked to dedicate the park in 1998 to the City. Councilmember Cacciotti thanked the Ad Hoc Community Center Committee and provided an update on the Community Center Feasibility Study. He thanked Mayor Pro Tem Joe for scheduling a meeting with the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers regarding the Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration Integrated Feasibility Report (LARERIFR) and provided an update on the LARERIFR. Councilmember Cacciotti attended the following events: 1) Foothill Gold Line Track Completion Ceremony on October 18, 2014; and 2) A regional forum in partnership with the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments and the San Bernardino Associated Governments on October 29, 2014. Councilmember Cacciotti stated he and City Manager Gonzalez met with William Covino, President, California State University of Los Angeles, to discuss education and transportation. Councilmember Cacciotti requested the City Council consider appointing a representative to the Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Joe. Councilmember Cacciotti reported that the City is currently utilizing all electric lawn maintenance equipment at Garfield Park.

Mayor Pro Tem Joe displayed a PowerPoint from the 2014 Halloween Spooktacular event held on October 31, 2014, at Garfield Park.

Mayor Khubesrian announced a screening and community discussion of "Tough Guise 2" to be held on November 6, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., at South Pasadena High School (SPHS) and displayed a PowerPoint slide. Mayor Khubesrian thanked the Police Officers' Association, SPHS, and the City Council for their support of the screening.

10. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Gonzalez announced the State of the City Address to be held on December 2, 2014, at 6:30 p.m., at City Hall Council Chambers, presented by Mayor Khubesrian. City Manager Gonzalez provided an update on the tree canopy replacement project.

11. REORDERING OF AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: M/S Cacciotti/Joe to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and including Prepaid Warrants #185480-185587 in the amount of \$1,121,681.83, General City Warrants #185588-185784 in the amount of \$315,353.27, Payroll 10-24-14 in the amount of \$443,250.28, totaling \$1,880,285.38; and seated as the Successor Agency to the Community Redevelopment Agency, approve Redevelopment Successor Agency warrants for \$55,094.89 (included in above total). By roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. Absent: None.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

- 12. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 15, 2014 AND THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 22, 2014**
- 13. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2276 REPEALING CHAPTER 20E ("REGULATING SEX OFFENDERS") OF THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE**
- 14. APPROVAL OF: 1) RESOLUTION NO. 7380 ADOPTING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA (CITY) AND THE SOUTH PASADENA FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION; 2) RESOLUTION NO. 7381 ADOPTING AN MOU BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA AND THE POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION; 3) RESOLUTION NO. 7382 ADOPTING AN MOU BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA AND THE PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION (PSEA) FULL TIME UNIT; 4) RESOLUTION NO. 7383 ADOPTING AN MOU BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA AND THE PSEA PART TIME UNIT; 5) RESOLUTION NO. 7384 ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS FOR MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES; AND APPROVAL OF A REVISED JOB DESCRIPTION FOR FULL TIME AND PART TIME MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT**
- 15. APPROVAL OF VEHICLE USE POLICY AND FLEET SAFETY POLICY**
- 16. RE-APPROPRIATION OF FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2013-14 PURCHASE ORDERS**
- 17. DISCRETIONARY FUND REQUEST FROM MAYOR KHUBESRIAN IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$650 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS AND REFRESHMENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY SCREENING OF THE DOCUMENTARY, "TOUGH GUISE 2"**

18. AWARD OF CONTRACT TO EUROFINS EATON ANALYTICAL, INC. FOR LABORATORY TESTING AND ANALYSIS OF POTABLE WATER SAMPLES

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19. APPROVAL OF PREPAID WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,121,681.83, GENERAL CITY WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$315,353.27, AND PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$443,250.28

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Khubesian opened the Public Comments section.

Josef Bray-Ali, City of Los Angeles Resident, commented on a bike lane gap between Pasadena Avenue and York Boulevard.

Councilmember Schneider recommended that staff review the safety of the westbound bike lanes on Pasadena Avenue and follow up with City Council.

Richard Pizante, South Pasadena Resident and Girl Scout Troop No. 11231 Leader, requested to work with the City on a Girl Scout Silver Award Project.

City Manager Gonzalez indicated that staff would follow up with Girl Scout Troop Leader Pizante.

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

ACTION/DISCUSSION

20. FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 17.52 DEFINITIONS TO ADD ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES TO THE PROHIBITION OF SMOKING IN PUBLIC PLACES AND IN PLACES OF WORK

Executive Assistant Demirjian presented the staff report and responded to City Councilmembers' questions.

Mayor Khubesian opened the Public Comments section.

Nancy Verdin, Coordinator, Day One, indicated support for the proposed ordinance to add electronic smoking devices to the prohibition of smoking in public places and in places of work.

Monty Messex, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Tobacco Control and Prevention Program, indicated support for the proposed ordinance to add electronic smoking devices to the prohibition of smoking in public places and in places of work; and provided information on electronic cigarettes.

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

In response to Councilmember Cacciotti's question, City Manager Gonzalez stated the required smoking distance from public places is 25 feet.

Councilmember Schneider concurred with Mr. Messex's comments.

Mayor Khubesian discussed advertising, available flavors of vapor, and toxins and carcinogens that are contained in the form of a pen. Mayor Khubesian indicated support for the City to take the lead in prohibiting electronic smoking devices in the City.

Mayor Pro Tem Joe commended staff and the Police Department for enforcing the current smoking ordinance.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Hall presented and read by title AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 17.52H (SMOKING) AND 17.52M (TOBACCO PRODUCT) AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 17.52N (ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICE) OF CHAPTER 17 (HEALTH AND SANITATION) OF THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO REGULATE THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES.

MOTION: M/S Joe/Cacciotti to read by title only for first reading, waiving further reading, and introduce AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 17.52H (SMOKING) AND 17.52M (TOBACCO PRODUCT) AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 17.52N (ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICE) OF CHAPTER 17 (HEALTH AND SANITATION) OF THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO REGULATE THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

21. FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 19A.13 (CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS AND PROJECTS) OF CHAPTER 19A (NOISE REGULATION) OF THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE

Acting Police Captain Neff presented the staff report and responded to Councilmembers' questions.

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

Councilmember Mahmud recommended that construction hours be modified to start at 7:00 a.m. and end at 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

In response to Mayor Khubesrian's question, Planning and Building Director Watkins provided background information regarding the Southwest Monterey Hills Planning Study Citizens' (SMHPSC) Committee. He stated the proposed ordinance was not addressed by the SMHPSC Committee. Planning and Building Director Watkins indicated the proposed ordinance amendment was recommended by former City Attorney Adams.

Councilmember Cacciotti stated he has observed many contractors starting work earlier than what is permitted.

Councilmember Schneider indicated that residents have expressed concerns regarding early morning construction noise on the weekends.

Mayor Pro Tem Joe indicated support of construction hours beginning at 8:00 a.m., Monday through Saturday.

Discussion followed among the City Councilmembers and staff regarding construction hours.

MOTION: M/S Mahmud/Cacciotti to refer the proposed ordinance to the Public Works Commission for consideration of construction and lawn equipment hours from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mahmud

NOES: Cacciotti, Joe, Schneider, and Mayor Khubesrian

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Chief Deputy City Clerk Hall presented and read by title AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 19A.13 (CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS AND PROJECTS) OF ARTICLE 3 (CONSTRUCTION) OF CHAPTER 19A (NOISE REGULATION) OF THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE .

MOTION: M/S Khubesian/Cacciotti to: 1) Read by title only, waive further reading and introduce an ordinance to amend Section 19A.13 (Construction of Buildings and Projects) of Chapter 19A (Noise Regulation) of the South Pasadena Municipal Code (SPMC) related to citywide construction hours; and 2) Modify construction and lawn equipment hours as follows: a) 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; b) 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturdays; and c) 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sundays.
The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

22. RECEIVE AND FILE REPORT REGARDING A SURVEY FOR A POSSIBLE MISSION-MERIDIAN PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT EXPANSION

Principal Management Analyst Lin presented the staff report and responded to Councilmembers' questions.

Mayor Khubesian opened the Public Comments section.

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

Councilmember Mahmud recommended that the City Council consider adopting a parking zone policy and to conduct a parking zone study.

Councilmember Schneider indicated the parking requirements of the Metro Gold Line are different than the parking requirements of a community service agency or church as it is a transportation hub.

Discussion followed among City Councilmembers and staff regarding parking impacts at various sites in the City and the establishment of parking districts.

MOTION: M/S Cacciotti/Joe to receive and file a report regarding a survey conducted for a possible Mission-Meridian Preferential Parking District (MMPPD) expansion and to report back on the establishment of a city-wide parking policy at a future City Council Meeting. By roll call vote, the motion passed 4-1. No: Mahmud.

REPORTS**23. STRATEGIC PLAN QUARTERLY UPDATE**

City Manager Gonzalez presented the staff report and responded to Councilmembers' questions.

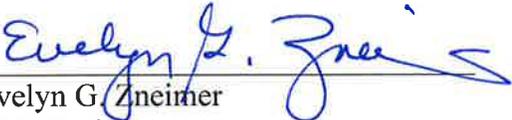
Mayor Khubesrian opened the Public Comments section.

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

MOTION: M/S Cacciotti/Mahmud to receive and file the first quarter update of the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Strategic Plan. By roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. Absent: None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Khubesrian adjourned the Regular Meeting of the South Pasadena City Council/Redevelopment Successor Agency/Public Financing Authority/Housing Authority at 10:05 p.m.


Evelyn G. Zneimer
City Clerk


Marina Khubesrian, M.D.
Mayor

Minutes approved by the South Pasadena City Council on November 19, 2014.