
CITY OF YORBA LINDA
CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
JOINT MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 16, 2007

**CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY JOINT MEETING
CONVENING AT 5:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency convened at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 4845 Casa Loma Avenue, Yorba Linda.

ROLL CALL

Council/Agency Members Present: Anderson, Castellano, Horton, Wedaa, Winder

Staff Members Present: Carvalho, Gruchow, Letourneau

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

CITY COUNCIL/YORBA LINDA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

- A CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(a)

PLACENTIA-YORBA LINDA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT V. CITY OF YORBA LINDA, ET AL.
ORANGE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. 06CC10534

- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION

Government Code Section 54956.9 (b) (1 Case)

RECESS

CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY JOINT MEETING CONVENING AT 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency reconvened at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 4845 Casa Loma Avenue, Yorba Linda.

ROLL CALL

Council/Agency Members Present: Anderson, Castellano, Horton, Wedaa, Winder

Staff Members Present: Bugbee, Carvalho, Christiansen, Gruchow, Hartman, Kreimeier, Leto, Letourneau, Mendoza, Stowell

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Councilmember Anderson

INVOCATION – Pastor John Erwin, Yorba Linda Friends Church

CLOSED SESSION REPORT – No Reportable Action

ORAL PRESENTATIONS – ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR OR ITEMS NOT ON THE REMAINDER OF THE AGENDA

Lee Day, resident, corrected statements she made regarding the assessments for arterial lighting/landscaping zones. She raised questions relative to the Proposition 218 vote for the City's recommended assessment increase, and stated it would be helpful if there was a breakdown of costs by project or zone of the increase costs needed.

Pat Nelson, resident, reported there are fire ants in west Yorba Linda (Chicago, Second, Chestnut, Third, and Wabash Streets) on the embankment of City property. She requested a list of the actual services received from the Chamber of Commerce contract. Mrs. Nelson also discussed procedures for "Other Business" items.

Mayor Pro Tem Winder stated that to help Vector Control identify where the fire ants are living, the recommendation is to lay out a potato chip and when it is covered with ants,

drop it in a plastic bag, seal it, and call Vector Control as they want to actively treat those areas.

Louie Scull, local business property owner, suggested having Closed Session at the end of the agenda and start the meetings at 5:30 p.m. He spoke regarding improvements made to Main Street and stated the City is getting things taken care of in Town Center.

Greg Gillespy, resident, stated he did not like the vote on the Chamber of Commerce contract and that Council should rescind their vote.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Castellano stated that Consent Calendar Items 9 and 10 are removed from the agenda and will be brought back at a future Council meeting.

It was **MOVED/SECONDED - WEDAA/WINDER** – to approve the Consent Calendar with the removal of Items 9 and 10. **MOTION CARRIED** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Castellano, Horton, Wedaa, Winder

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

A. WAIVE READING IN FULL OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS ON THE AGENDA

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency approved the reading by title of all ordinances and resolutions and declared that said titles which appear on the public agenda shall be determined to have been read by title and further reading waived.

B. CITY/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANT LISTS

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency approved the Accounts Payable Warrant Lists.

1, APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2007 JOINT CITY COUNCIL/RDA MEETING

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency approved the minutes of September 18, 2007.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 2, 2007 JOINT CITY COUNCIL/RDA MEETING

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency approved the minutes of October 2, 2007.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT – AUGUST 2007

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency received and filed the report.

4. RESOLUTION 2007-3882, APPROVING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 2007-24, HADDADIN, WITH CONDITIONS

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2007-3882.

5. CONTRACT AGREEMENT EXTENSION FOR STREET STRIPING, PAVEMENT MARKINGS, CURB PAINTING & RELATED STRIPING ACTIVITIES

The City Council approved the one year contract extension for the installation of street striping, pavement markings, curb painting and related activities between the City and Traffic Operations Inc. The one year contract extension will commence on October 19, 2007 and terminate October 19, 2008 unless additional extensions are granted.

6. CONTRACT AGREEMENT EXTENSION FOR ONE ADDITIONAL YEAR WITH EMPIRE PIPE CLEANING AND EQUIPMENT, INC. FOR CLEANING CITY-OWNED SEWER LINES WITHIN THE CITY

The City Council approved the one-year contract extension with Empire Pipe Cleaning and Equipment, Inc. for cleaning of City-owned sewer lines east of Village Center Drive. The one year contract extension shall be in effect commencing on October 1, 2007 and terminate on October 1, 2008 unless additional extensions are granted.

7. R.F. DICKSON COMPANY, INC. STREET SWEEPING SERVICE RATE INCREASE

The City Council approved a 3.3 percent rate increase to R. F. Dickson Company, Inc. retroactive to July 1, 2007 for Citywide street sweeping services.

8. ADOPTION OF SEWER SYSTEM MANAGEMENT PLAN, DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND SCHEDULE

The City Council adopted the Sewer System Management Plan, Development Plan and Schedule as mandated by the State Water Resources Control Board, Order No. 2006-0003 for Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) for Sanitary Sewer Systems.

9. ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND RELEASE OF BONDS, OLSEN COMPANY, TRACT 16647

This item was removed from the agenda.

10. ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND RELEASE OF BONDS, OLSEN COMPANY, TRACT 16513

This item was removed from the agenda.

11. CLAIM FOR DAMAGES – CHARLES MARQUARDT, III

The City Council denied and referred the claim for damages.

End of Consent Calendar

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Castellano reported that next Thursday, October 25, 2007, is the Mayor's State of the City address at the Black Gold Golf Course, and Saturday, October 27th, is the Fiesta Days Parade event.

MATTERS PRESENTED BY COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Wedaa reported that the next Yorba Linda Railroad Forum will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Yorba Linda Community Center. Representatives from the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad, the Federal Railroad Administration, and CalTrans will be in attendance to provide updates on a number of railroad related issues.

Councilmember Wedaa stated there are a lot of children after school from Fairmont School shoving and pushing each other at the southwest corner of Yorba Linda Boulevard and Fairmont Boulevard and he is afraid one is going to get pushed out on the street and thinks some kind of barrier is needed. Councilmember Wedaa asked that the Traffic Commission take a look at the situation.

Councilmember Horton commented about being on regional boards and stated that when the City's representative sits on a regional board, they not only represent the community but they also represent the region and are taking the Council's direction for them on this board. If the Council's position has changed on a regional board, that needs to be discussed - to micromanage an individual's ability to vote/not vote on a particular item on a regional board really ties the representative's hands and they are not representing Yorba Linda well. She stated that as a matter of policy on boards, she thinks that needs to be visited rather than the individual votes. If Yorba Linda is ever going to have a credible voice on any of these boards, the representative can't expect that any time a vote comes up, the representative is expected to come back to a Council meeting and bring up all the issues that are being brought up at that meeting because you will miss the vote – they are going to go ahead and vote and Yorba Linda will be abstaining all the time.

Councilmember Anderson shared a newspaper article pertaining to the Yorba Linda Library. The Yorba Linda Library will hold a free practice SAT test session from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on October 20, 2007 and there will also be a SAT score-back (which means you come back, you receive your test and they go over what you did right and what you did wrong with some practice strategies in the review) at 6:00 p.m. on October 25, 2007. For more information the Library can be contacted at (714) 777-2873 Extension 6.

Mayor Pro Tem Winder reported that he will miss the State of the City Address and the Fiesta Day parade as he will be in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on a system board conference for St. Jude's Hospital. He also reported that he attended the library annex opening at Suzanna Bixby Museum and it was a great event.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

12. PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICANTS

Mayor Pro Tem Winder reviewed the Ad Hoc Committee's report.

Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Anderson thanked Mayor Pro Tem Winder and Councilmember Wedaa for the job they did on the Ad Hoc Committee and stated he cannot disagree with the results and he appreciates the diversity of the applicants.

Councilmember Horton asked that questions be produced but withheld until the night of the interviews.

Mayor Castellano thanked the Ad Hoc Committee and stated he understands Council is not bound by those questions.

Discussion ensued.

Pat Nelson, resident, stated that there should be the same two or three questions that are asked every applicant, otherwise there is no standard and it evens the playing field.

It was **MOVED/SECONDED - WINDER/WEDAA** - to approve the list of nine applicants to be interviewed – William Davis, David Ip, James Wohlt, Robert Lyons, Vince Fregoso, Mark Abramowitz, Joseph Shapley, Cynthia Verdugo-Peralta, Rene Varga - recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Castellano, Horton, Wedaa, Winder
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

13. TRUCK TRAFFIC ON VALLEY VIEW ROAD

Public Works Director Stowell presented slides, gave an overview of the written staff report, and responded to questions from Council.

It was **MOVED/SECONDED - WINDER/HORTON** - to receive and file the report.

Mayor Castellano stated he has seen activity by a lot of police officers out there.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

14. OLD TOWN FACADE PROGRAM

Community Development Director Christiansen gave an overview of the written staff report and stated staff is asking for direction as to what type of program Council would like developed. Community Development Director Christiansen responded to questions from Council.

A lengthy discussion between Council and staff ensued.

Mayor Pro Tem Winder stated that he thinks this should be received and filed tonight and after the Blue Ribbon Committee report is received, come back at the first of the year with recommendations. He also stated that he thinks Option 2 (the grant) would be best with the following language incorporated into it: "A combined program might allow the Agency to award a grant at 75 percent participation up to a project cost of \$5,000, a grant at 50 percent participation for projects totaling \$25,000, and then provide a long term, low-interest loan for all other requests up to \$50,000."

Further discussion ensued.

Louie Scull, local business property owner, stated he has waited a long time for a program like this and he likes Option 2, the grant program.

It was **MOVED/SECONDED – CASTELLANO/HORTON** – to move Option 2, the grant program, with the following language incorporated as read by Mayor Pro Tem Winder - "A combined program might allow the Agency to award a grant at 75 percent participation up to a project cost of \$5,000, a grant at 50 percent participation for projects totaling \$25,000, and then provide a long term, low-interest loan for all other requests up to \$50,000", and to be brought back at a future date to have the details of it presented to Council.

City Manager Letourneau noted, as a point of reference for timing, that discussion of the Blue Ribbon Committee report will be at a meeting in January 2008, and will take about that long to come back with a full program and packet of how this program will be structured.

Pat Nelson, as a member of the Blue Ribbon Committee, stated that the report will be a list of recommendations and one of the first things to be done is a historical resources survey which might make a difference in what someone can/cannot do with their property.

City Manager Letourneau stated for clarification that Council has already directed staff to start the historical study and staff is in the process of preparing a report for Council to hire a consultant.

Staff responded to questions from Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Winder stated he wanted to be on record that he cannot authorize the expenditure of funds until he is confident that this is consistent with the direction the Town Center is going.

MOTION CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Castellano, Horton, Wedaa, Winder

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

15. TOWN CENTER TEMPORARY PARKING

Assistant City Manager Gruchow presented slides, gave an overview of the written report, and responded to questions from Council.

Upon inquiry from Councilmember Wedaa, City Manager Letourneau stated the potential is for more businesses, some people downtown say there is not enough parking now for current businesses, not including the businesses that want to come in there.

Discussion ensued.

Mayor Pro Tem Winder stated he does not think a program should begin until the Blue Ribbon Committee report comes before Council.

Louie Scull, local business property owner, stated that Option 1A is good and that Option 5 is also and perhaps could get a better price for doing both.

Ed Rakochy, resident, stated his suggestion is to do a combination of Options such as two plus five.

Tom Lynch, resident, stated he agreed with Mr. Rakochy's approach and favors a combination.

Pat Nelson, resident, stated Council should consider one-half of Option's two plus five.

Greg Gillespy, resident, stated that Option 1A is the only one that makes any sense – that he does not agree with putting it on the poppy field.

Earl Carbone, resident, stated that the option for gravel does not make any sense at all, paving is the only thing that makes sense. Mr. Carbone also stated that Option 5 is too far away for people to walk to Main Street.

Taylor Best, resident, stated that she drives past the poppy field at least five times a day and the poppy field is the only beautiful thing there.

A lengthy discussion ensued.

It was **MOVED/SECONDED – WINDER/CASTELLANO** – to receive and file the report. **MOTION FAILED** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Castellano, Winder
NOES: Anderson, Horton, Wedaa
ABSENT: None

It was **MOVED/SECONDED – WEDAA/ANDERSON** – to move forward with Option 1A (Paved) – Arroyo Parking Lot with Sidewalk Only.

Discussion ensued.

Upon **request** from the maker of the **second** to the **Motion, Councilmember Anderson**, to **change** the **MOTION** to bring this back to Council after the Blue Ribbon Committee report, the **maker** of the **motion, Councilmember Wedaa**, agreed.

Mayor Castellano stated he will not support this until specifics are brought back by the Blue Ribbon Committee and a parking study is done.

MOTION CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Horton, Wedaa, Winder
NOES: Castellano
ABSENT: None

Mayor Pro Tem Winder stated he is troubled by the appearance of downtown.

It was **MOVED/SECONDED - WINDER/WEDAA** - to direct staff to analyze the Agency properties that are in the Town Center and to come back to Council with some recommendations about actions that can be taken care of immediately to remediate the property so that aesthetic and safety conditions that will have to be taken care of some time in the future can be considered in the very near future by the Council. **MOTION CARRIED** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Castellano, Horton, Wedaa, Winder
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

16. REPORT OF PLANNING COMMISSION ACTIONS FROM THEIR LAST MEETING/APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION ITEMS AND TOWN CENTER BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE UPDATE

Community Development Director Christianson reported there has not been a Planning Commission meeting since the last Council meeting, there is a quorum problem for the next two months, and there will be a special Planning Commission meeting held on October 23, 2007 and as of today, there are no meetings set for November. Community Development Director Christiansen also reported that there was a Blue Ribbon Committee subcommittee that was set up, an editorial committee, that was directed to write the final report, and an administrative draft of that report was completed and will be delivered to the committee members at their meeting on Monday night. He stated the Committee has done a very good job and he is impressed with what was done. It is expected that the report will be completed sometime in December 2007 and ready for action in January 2008.

RECESS:

Mayor Castellano called a recess at 8:33 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

ORDINANCES

17. ENGINEERING AND TRAFFIC SURVEY – BASTANCHURY ROAD BETWEEN LAKEVIEW AVENUE AND VILLAGE CENTER DRIVE

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2007-901, ESTABLISHING CITYWIDE POSTED SPEED LIMITS AND RESCINDING ORDINANCE NO. 2006-894

Public Works Director Stowell gave a staff report and responded to questions from Council.

It was **MOVED/SECONDED - WINDER/HORTON** – to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 2007-901.

Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Horton asked that the Brea Police Department be present out there for strict enforcement for a while.

Captain Bugbee responded to questions from Council.

MOTION CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Castellano, Horton, Wedaa, Winder
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

18. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2007-914 AMENDING CHAPTER 12.28 SIGNS AND CHAPTER 18.24 SIGNS TO PROHIBIT ALL SIGNS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY AND ON CITY OR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OWNED PROPERTIES

City Attorney Carvalho gave a staff report and responded to questions from Council relative to prohibition of all signs in the public right-of-ways.

Councilmember Wedaa stated that part of the impacted population that is affected by this Ordinance (realtors) is not present tonight and suggested that this item be continued for two weeks.

Councilmember Horton asked that staff come back with a revised Ordinance that would take into account realty signs, children's events, nonprofit events, and political signs

Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Anderson stated he thinks this is something that should be on the ballot for the voters to decide in the next scheduled election.

Mayor Pro Tem Winder stated that he thinks staff has done a very good job of managing the sign ordinance over a period of time. He stated he would prefer to not adopt the Ordinance but to direct staff to modify the Ordinance as follows: on 12.28.020 (the first page of the ordinance under "A") – it should prohibit signs on all City/Agency owned property, but not right-of-way; Subsection B under "Temporary Signs", make it clear that the temporary signs/permanent signs have to meet some kind of size requirements/restrictions and for all signs make the standard smaller than 32 square feet, and clear-up conflicting positions within the existing ordinance.

Ed Rakochy, resident, made a presentation regarding signs.

Pat Nelson, resident, stated the City does not have the right to tell anyone they can't put signs on private property.

Lee Day, resident, stated that this is going to be a "can of worms" as far as enforcement is concerned.

Louie Scull, local business property owner, stated that Council should table this item tonight.

Mary Carbone, resident, stated this is going to cause some major controversy and asked about banners for City concerts, the Buena Vista Equestrian Show, and lost animals, et cetera, which she would hate to see prohibited.

Greg Gillespy, resident, stated he agrees with putting this off, ordinances that do not work need to be fixed and he doesn't think a 4' x 8' sign is needed to run for Council and can understand limiting political signs and not allowing political statements.

City Attorney Carvalho made it clear that the City does not have the right to pick and choose.

Discussion ensued.

It was **MOVED/SECONDED - WINDER/WEDAA** - to direct staff to bring back an ordinance that accomplishes the following: Under 12.28 a unified ordinance that deals with these issues – one under 12.25.8 to disallow all signs on City-owned or Redevelopment-owned property in the City of Yorba Linda. Modify Section A of 18.24.070 to the definition of temporary signs in that regulation add the maximum size of the sign and also a time specific (suggesting 30-45 days), that the signs identify whose message it is and under 18.24.110 Other Special Signs – that language covers exemptions that would permit the Arroyo Street signs, and official banners.

Discussion ensued and City Manager Letourneau stated that she wanted to make it clear that the motion allows real estate signs and open house signs in public right-of-way.

City Attorney Carvalho recommended that Council let her office and staff work on this ordinance and bring it back to Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Winder stated that once staff develops the ordinance and brings it back to Council for approval, he will ask that an outreach program be instituted.

Mayor Castellano stated he will not support the motion as it is limiting a person's ability to have free speech.

MOTION CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Wedaa, Winder
NOES: Castellano, Horton
ABSENT: None

OTHER AGENCY REPORTS AND REFERRALS

ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT

Mayor Pro Tem Winder reported there are two policy decisions that he voted on at the last meeting and it is going to come back for final adoption and it deals with the sewage treatment plan.

ORANGE COUNTY DIVISION OF THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES

Councilmember Wedaa reported that at the last meeting Mayor Cavecche of the City of Orange was elected as the district representative to the Orange Council Sanitation District, and there was an installation of officers of the Orange County Division of the League of California Cities at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library.

FOOTHILL/EASTERN TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR/TRANSPORTATION
CORRIDOR SYSTEM

Councilmember Horton stated that traffic congestion was a common complaint and continues to be a common complaint in the community – not just in Yorba Linda, but regionally throughout Orange County. The 241 Toll Road is one solution to an inadequate infrastructure and is primarily funded by those who use the road. Councilmember Horton presented facts about the Foothill/Eastern Corridor and the Foothill south extension and some of the issues being raised.

Councilmember Wedaa asked for a presentation at a City Council meeting by the Transportation Corridor Agency, and Councilmember Anderson asked that the presentation be augmented with someone from the Coastal Commission also.

Discussion ensued.

It was **MOVED/SECONDED – WEDAA/ANDERSON** – to bring back a presentation by the Transportation Corridor Agency on the extension of the 241 Toll Road at the beginning of the year. **MOTION CARRIED** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Castellano, Horton, Wedaa
NOES: Winder
ABSENT: None

It was **MOVED/SECONDED – WEDAA/HORTON** – to have a comprehensive financing presentation by the Transportation Corridor Agency. **MOTION CARRIED** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Castellano, Horton, Wedaa, Winder

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY – No Report

ORANGE COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL – No Report

OTHER BUSINESS

19. TERM LIMITS FOR COMMISSIONERS (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON AND COUNCILMEMBER HORTON)

It was **MOVED/SECONDED – HORTON/ANDERSON** - to direct staff to come back with a report on the potential of having term limits for Planning Commissioners.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Horton, Wedaa

NOES: Castellano, Winder

ABSENT: None

20. DUTIES OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON AND COUNCILMEMBER HORTON)

Councilmember Anderson stated that this item should be combined with Item 23

ITEM 23 - LONG RANGE PROJECT FOR TRAFFIC COMMISSION REGARDING SCHOOL SAFETY ZONES (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON)

Councilmember Anderson stated he believes the Traffic Commission is underutilized and **MADE** a **MOTION** to direct staff to come back with a report on where the Traffic Commission can be better utilized and their duties expanded.

Councilmember Wedaa SECONDED the **MOTION**, and made an **AMENDMENT** to the **MOTION** that Council should also review the duties of the Planning Commission. **Amendment** accepted by maker of the motion.

Discussion ensued.

Mayor Pro Tem Winder stated he is comfortable with the duties of the Commissioners and he does not want anyone but Council evaluating public safety.

Mayor Castellano stated he agreed with Mayor Pro Tem Winder.

Councilmember Anderson **WITHDREW** his **MOTION**, and Councilmember Wedaa **WITHDREW** his second to the **MOTION**.

It was **MOVED/SECONDED - ANDERSON/WEDAA** – that the Traffic Commission review all major development plans for traffic feedback and environmental impact input as advisory opinions to the Planning Commission, and be proactive in studying school safety zone issues; interfacing more often with equestrian community, equestrian rider safety and vehicular equestrian interaction, and crosswalks - and ongoing study areas that the Traffic Commission gets engaged in. **MOTION CARRIED** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Horton, Wedaa

NOES: Castellano, Winder

ABSENT: None

21. AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING POLICY (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON)

Councilmember Anderson stated he would like to revisit the abolition of Council ad hoc committees and made a **MOTION** that staff bring back a resolution prohibiting future closed door ad hoc committee meetings on anything except the items specifically exempted by the Brown Act and have an exception to this rule – that is a super majority of the Council at anytime could establish an ad hoc committee.

Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Anderson **WITHDREW** the **MOTION** and made a new **MOTION** and proposed the adoption of a Council policy that would require if ad hoc committees are named by the Mayor that they all be public unless there was a substantive reason that they should be in closed session. Councilmember Horton **SECONDED** the **MOTION**. **MOTION CARRIED** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Castellano, Horton, Wedaa, Winder

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

22. NOTIFICATION REGARDING CITY WIDE PROJECTS (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON)

Councilmember Anderson asked that this item be kept on the list, but deferred until later.

23. LONG RANGE PROJECT FOR TRAFFIC COMMISSION REGARDING SCHOOL SAFETY ZONES (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON)

See Agenda Item 20.

24. GROUP HOMES (COUNCILMEMBER HORTON)

It was **MOVED/SECONDED – HORTON/WEDAA** – to direct staff to come back with a report on what other communities are doing relative to group homes. **MOTION CARRIED** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Castellano, Horton, Wedaa, Winder

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

25. REHABILITATION OF TOWN CENTER PROPERTIES AS RENTALS (COUNCILMEMBER HORTON)

It was **MOVED/SECONDED – HORTON/WEDAA** – to direct staff to come back with a report regarding generating income from the boarded-up properties on Lakeview Avenue and the little streets around Main Street and the viability of those homes to open them up for a short term rental.

Councilmember Wedaa asked that the **MOTION BE MODIFIED** to include a broader view of what might be done with those houses. **MODIFICATION** accepted by the maker of the motion.

MOTION CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Horton, Wedaa

NOES: Castellano, Winder

ABSENT: None

26. REVIEW PROCESS FOR COUNCILMEMBERS PUTTING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA (COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)

Councilmember Wedaa stated that he thinks it is improper for any Mayor to filter any items Councilmembers wish to put on the agenda. It was **MOVED/SECOND – WEDAA/ANDERSON** - that the prior way in which the Councilmember instructs the City Manager to add items to the Agenda be restored.

Mayor Castellano stated that nothing got filtered, the job of the Mayor is to be able to put together a working agenda that can be done in a timely manner. It is the Mayor's discretion as to when an item will go on the agenda.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, Horton, Wedaa
NOES: Castellano, Winder
ABSENT: None

After discussion, Staff agreed to return with a report that clarifies and formalizes the existing practice being used for the last few months.

27. WIRELESS INTERNET ACCESS (COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)

Councilmember Wedaa removed this item from the Agenda.

It was **MOVED/SECONDED – ANDERSON/HORTON** – that the meeting be adjourned at this time (see adjournment at end of Minutes). **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

28. MONTHLY POLICE REPORTS (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON)

29. CITY EQUESTRIAN CENTER (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON, COUNCILMEMBER HORTON, COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)

30. GRAFFITI ORDINANCE – NUISANCE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON)

31. PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME LIMIT (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON)

32. TOWN HALL MEETINGS (COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)
33. LIGHTED STREET SIGNS ON ESPERANZA (COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)
34. CITY RESERVE FUND POLICY (COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)
35. SECURITY LIGHTING – CITY HALL PARKING LOT (COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)
36. ESPERANZA WALL - TRELLIS (COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)
37. SKATE PARKS (COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)
38. COUNCIL BADGES (COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)
39. VIEW IMPAIRMENT (COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)
40. TOWN CENTER PROCESS EVALUATION (COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON)
41. ALL COMMISSIONER PAY (COUNCILMEMBER WEDAA)

ADJOURNMENT

In honor and remembrance of Helen Rose Malkowski, Mayor Castellano, on behalf of the City Council, adjourned the meeting at 11:00 p.m. to October 30, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. for interviews of Planning Commission applicants.

The October 30, 2007 meeting will be adjourned to November 6, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. for: Closed Session – Evaluation of City Manager and City Attorney.

The next regularly scheduled City Council/Redevelopment Agency Joint Meeting is November 6, 2007.

Kathie M. Mendoza, City Clerk

APPROVED BY COUNCIL/RDA

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