

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL
HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2013, 7:30 P.M.**

CLOSED SESSION: Mayor Lutz convened the Closed Session Meeting of the Monrovia City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 1, 2013, in City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California, at which all Councilmembers were present to discuss the following Closed Session items: CS-1 Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code §54957.6; Agency Negotiator: Danielle Tellez; Group Employees: All Groups; CS-2 Public Employee Appointment Pursuant to Government Code §54957: Interim City Manager, City Manager; and CS-3 Conference with Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1): City of Agoura Hills, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., Case Number BS140871; **it was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, that there was a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the local agency subsequent to the agenda being posted; it was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Councilmember Blackburn, to add the following item to the Closed Session Agenda:** CS-4 Conference with Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1): City of Agoura Hills, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., Case Number BS140871. Mayor Lutz adjourned the Closed Session Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

CONVENE: Mayor Lutz convened the Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council of Tuesday, October 1, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers. In attendance were City Manager Laurie Lile, City Attorney Craig A. Steele, and City Clerk Alice D. Atkins.

INVOCATION: Police Chaplain Terrence Brown led the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilmember Alexander C. Blackburn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: In attendance were Councilmembers Tom Adams, Alexander C. Blackburn, Larry J. Spicer, Mayor Pro Tem Becky A. Shevlin, and Mayor Mary Ann Lutz.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION: City Attorney Craig Steele stated that the City Council met in closed session to discuss the items on the posted agenda as well as the item added to the agenda and there was no reportable action.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

PR-1 Proclaiming the Week of October 13-19, 2013, as "Teen Read Week": The Mayor and City Council presented a proclamation to members of the Teen Advisory Board, who reviewed the background and activities planned for the week. Library Boardmember Barbara Radford spoke regarding the Teen Advisory Board and reviewed some of their upcoming events.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Student Liaison Kevin Lee reviewed past and upcoming activities at the high school.

ORDER OF BUSINESS: City Manager Laurie Lile recommended moving forward the two items listed on the agenda under the Mayor's report, following approval of the Consent Calendar.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Councilmember Adams requested that item CC-4 be pulled for discussion at the end of the meeting. With that amendment, **it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, seconded by Councilmember Blackburn, to approve the consent calendar.** The motion carried unanimously. The Consent Calendar consisted of the following Agenda items:

CC-1 Unadopted Minutes of the September 16, 2013, Special Meeting and September 17, 2013, Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council: The City Council adopted the Minutes as presented.

CC-2 Payroll No. 20 in the Net Amount of \$568,916.14, and Warrant Register Dated September 12, 2013, in the Total Amount of \$639,846.91: The City Council approved Payroll No. 20 in the net amount of \$568,916.14, and Warrant Register dated September 12, 2013, in the total amount of \$639,846.91.

CC-3 Amendment to Subsection 17.18.100(F) (Service Stations), of Section 17.28.100 (Nonresidential Signs – Sign Types and Sizes), of Chapter 17.28 (Signs) of Title 17 (Zoning) of the Monrovia Municipal Code to allow for the installation of Electronic Fuel Price Signs on Monument Signs at Service Stations, Ramzi Rabadi, Applicant; Adoption of Ordinance No. 2013-04: The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2013-04.

CC-4 Interim City Manager Employment Agreement between the City of Monrovia and Francis M. Delach: This item was pulled for discussion following Administrative Reports below.

The following item was heard out of order:

RCC-1 Mayor Mary Ann Lutz:

(a) **State of the State by Assemblymember Chris Holden, 41st District;** Assemblymember Holden provided a highlight of key bills.

(b) **Metro Gold Line Construction Update;** Habib Balian, Chief Executive Officer, Metro Gold Line Construction Authority, provided an update on construction, street closures, and project timeline.

Public Input:

1. Gwendolyn Jones, Monrovia

Mr. Balian responded to concerns raised by Ms. Jones.

PUBLIC INPUT:

1. Reverend Richard Sullender, First Baptist Church
2. Carlos Sanchez, Student, Pasadena City College
3. Karen Suarez, Monrovia

PUBLIC HEARINGS / MEETINGS: None

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCILMEMBERS & SUB-COMMITTEES

RCC-1 Mayor Mary Ann Lutz:

(a) **State of the State by Assemblymember Chris Holden, 41st District;** This item was heard out of order following Consent Calendar.

(b) **Metro Gold Line Construction Update;** This item was heard out of order following Consent Calendar.

(c) Foothill Fitness Challenge

RCC-2 Mayor Pro Tem Becky A. Shevlin

(a) Recent attendance at League of California Cities Annual Conference with Councilmember Blackburn and Councilmember Spicer

(b) Upcoming events and programs in the community

RCC-3 Councilmember Tom Adams:

(a) Make a Difference Day on October 26, 2013; Volunteer Center of San Gabriel Valley Boardmember Kerrie Zessau provided an overview of the event

(b) Celebration of Life for Allen Allensworth, September 14, 2014

RCC-4 Councilmember Alexander C. Blackburn had no report.

RCC-5 Councilmember Larry J. Spicer

(a) Recent attendance at League of California Cities Annual Conference with Councilmember Blackburn and Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

AR-1 Professional Services Agreement with Management Partners in an Amount Not to Exceed \$71,500.00 for a City-Wide Organizational Study

Lauren Vasquez, Management Analyst II, reviewed the Agenda Report. Cathy Standiford, Management Partners, Inc., was on hand to provide additional clarification regarding how the proposed study would be rolled out.

During discussion, Councilmember Spicer expressed concerns regarding paying for a study that would evaluate salaries and job classifications at a time when the City didn't have additional funds to increase compensation. Also discussed was timing of the agreement, whether it should wait for the interim or new City Manager, and whether the scope of services could be changed. Councilmember Blackburn pointed out that the contract terms provided for cancellation with or without cause.

Following questions and discussion, **it was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Mayor Lutz, to approve a professional services agreement with Management Partners in an amount not to exceed \$71,500.00, and authorize the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.** The motion carried on the following roll call vote: AYES: Councilmembers Adams, Blackburn, Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, Mayor Lutz. NOES: Councilmember Spicer.

PUBLIC INPUT, CONTINUED, IF NEEDED: None.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED:

CC-4 Interim City Manager Employment Agreement between the City of Monrovia and Francis M. Delach

Councilmember Adams stated that he asked for the item to be pulled so that he had the opportunity to vote in opposition, and that he held the work of Mr. Delach in high regard but didn't feel he was the right candidate for the interim position at this time.

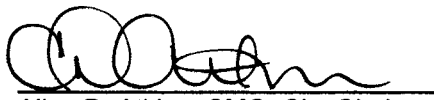
The City Council approved the Employment Agreement between the City of Monrovia and Francis M. Delach and authorized the Mayor to sign the agreement subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney by the following roll call vote: AYES: Councilmember Spicer, Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, Mayor Lutz. NOES: Councilmembers Adams and Blackburn.

SCHEDULED MEETINGS: The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council was scheduled for Tuesday, October 15, 2013, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California.

Mayor Lutz announced that this was the last meeting that retiring City Manager Laurie Lile would attend. The Mayor and City Council thanked her for her service and wished her well.

ADJOURNMENT: At 9:53p.m., Mayor Lutz adjourned the meeting in memory of LeRoy Smith, longtime resident, senior club member, and community activist; and Phillip Romero, former 30-year Department of Public Works employee.

ATTEST:



Alice D. Atkins, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED:



Mary Ann Lutz, Mayor