

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL  
HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2011, 7:30 P.M.**

**CLOSED SESSION:** Mayor Mary Ann Lutz convened the Closed Session Meeting of the Monrovia City Council at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 4, 2011, in City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California, at which all Councilmembers were present with the exception of Councilmember Clarence R. Shaw who was excused, to discuss the following Closed Session items: CC-1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation pursuant to Government Code §54957; City Attorney; and CC-2 Conference with Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(a); Excalibur Property Holdings, LLC, and George W. Brokate, v. City of Monrovia, et al, BS133789. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

**CONVENE:** Mayor Mary Ann Lutz convened the Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council of Tuesday, October 4, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, in honor of Marlowe Sandrine Rosalina Carlson, Born September 9, 2011, to John and Karen Carlson, and Andres Francisco Avalos, Born September 15, 2011, to Jesus and Brenda Avalos. In attendance were City Manager Scott Ochoa, City Attorney Craig A. Steele, and City Clerk Alice D. Atkins.

**INVOCATION:** Police Chaplain Terrence Brown led the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Pro Tem Joe Garcia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** In attendance were Councilmembers Tom Adams, Becky A. Shevlin, Mayor Pro Tem Joe Garcia, and Mayor Mary Ann Lutz. Clarence R. Shaw was excused.

**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION:** City Attorney Craig Steele stated that there was no reportable action.

**PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

**PR-1 Proclaiming October 16-22, 2011, as "Teen Read Week":** Elizabeth Schneider, Youth Services Librarian II, assisted the Mayor and City Council in presenting a proclamation to Teen Advisory Boardmembers Samantha Cox, Ken Chang and Kristina Leonard, in recognition of "Teen Read Week." The Teen Advisory Board members briefly outlined the history of "Teen Read Week" and reviewed related events to be held at the Monrovia Public Library.

**PR-2 Introduction of Newly Hired Police Department Employees; Police Officers Michael Takacs and Steven Bracci, Jailer Matthew Greene, and Police Services Representative Evelyn Ruedas:** Police Chief Jim Hunt introduced newly hired Police Department employees, Police Officers Michael Takacs and Steven Bracci, Jailer Matthew Greene, and Police Services Representative Evelyn Ruedas, to the Mayor, City Council and the community.

**PR-3 Introduction of Newly Hired Fire Department Employees; Firefighters with Paramedic Certification Frank Spencer and Jason Norton:** Fire Chief Christopher Donovan introduced newly hired Fire Department employees, Firefighters with Paramedic Certification Frank Spencer and Jason Norton, to the Mayor, City Council and the community.

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:** Student Liaison Kevin Greenwood reviewed past and upcoming events at Monrovia High School.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS:** City Manager Scott Ochoa stated that there were no changes to the order of business.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** It was moved by Councilmember Shevlin, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, 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 6, 2011, Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council:** The City Council adopted the Minutes as presented.

**CC-2 Payroll No. 20 in the Amount of \$617,786.20 and Voucher Nos. 173669 through 173924 in the Amount of \$1,447,178.22:** The City Council approved the Payroll and Vouchers as presented.

#### **PUBLIC INPUT**

1. John Chavez, Monrovia
2. Chuck Keen, American Legion Post 44
3. Gwendolyn Jones, Monrovia
4. Henry Gray, Monrovia

Mayor Lutz requested that the City Manager provide an update at a later time on the issues raised by Mr. Chavez during Public Input.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS / MEETINGS:**

**PH-1 Tentative Parcel Map 71710, Conditional Use Permits CUP2011-15 and CUP2011-16, and Minor Exception ME2011-01 To Consolidate Two Lots into One Parcel and Approve the Construction of a 4,729-Square-Foot Utilities Operations Facility Building and Allow a Parking Ratio of One Space per 1,000 Square Feet of Building Area; a Minor Exception is Requested to Allow Portions of the Wall and Fence to Encroach into the Required Setback and Exceed the Maximum Height; Also Requested is Summary Vacation of an Easement for Street and Highway Purposes and an Easement for Sanitary Sewer Purposes; Project Located at 446 East Duarte Road; Derra Design, Inc./Time Warner, applicants; Resolution Nos. 2011-50 and 2011-51.**

Craig Jimenez, Planning Division Manager, reviewed the Staff Report.

Questions ensued regarding review of the conditional use permit should the applicant vacate the property, release of all easements in the area at once versus one parcel at a time, potential noise levels, building security, and whether service would be improved to Time Warner customers in the community as a result of the project.

Mayor Lutz opened the public hearing:

Speaking against:

1. Gwendolyn Jones

Speaking in support:

None

In response to speaker comments, Planning Division Manager Jimenez reviewed set-backs and front fence height, and gave a brief update as to plans for a thrift store down the street. Dan Winn, representing Time Warner Cable, spoke to the questions from City Council regarding service to the area.

Mayor Lutz closed the public hearing.

**It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, seconded by Councilmember Adams, to adopt Resolution Nos. 2011-50 and 2011-51.** The motion carried unanimously.

#### **CONVENE MONROVIA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING WITHOUT ADJOURNING CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MRA CONVENE:** Chairman Mary Ann Lutz convened the Meeting of October 4, 2011, of the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors at 8:28 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, without adjourning the City Council Meeting.

**MRA ROLL CALL:** Those in attendance were Boardmembers Tom Adams, Becky A. Shevlin, Vice-Chairman Joe Garcia and Chairman Mary Ann Lutz. Clarence R. Shaw was excused.

**MRA CONSENT CALENDAR:** It was moved by Vice-Chairman Garcia, seconded by Boardmember Adams, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried unanimously. The Consent Calendar consisted of the following Agenda item:

**MRA CC-1 Unadopted Minutes of the September 20, 2011, Regular Meeting of the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency:** The Agency Board adopted the Minutes as presented.

**MRA PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS:** None.

**MRA ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:** None.

**MRA ADJOURNMENT:** Chairman Lutz adjourned the Meeting at 8:29 p.m.

### **RECONVENE MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

#### **REPORTS OF CITY COUNCILMEMBERS & SUB-COMMITTEES**

**RCC-1 Mayor Lutz** reported on:

(a) **Monrovia Cultural Series:** Senior Librarian – Youth Services Shawn Thrasher reviewed the 2010-2011 cultural series programming held at the library.

**RCC-2 Mayor Pro Tem Garcia** reported on:

(a) Recent attendance at the League of California Cities Annual Conference

**RCC-3 Councilmember Adams** had no report.

**RCC-4 Councilmember Shaw** was excused.

**RCC-5 Councilmember Shevlin** reported on:

(a) Upcoming events in the community.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**AR-1 Purchase of One (1) Chevy Tahoe and five (5) Crown Victoria Police Interceptors from Wondries Fleet Group in the Amount of \$152,725.54 as Replacement Patrol Vehicles; Purchase and Installation of New and Existing Emergency Equipment by West Coast Lights and Sirens in the Amount of \$23,066.41; and Lettering and Graphics by B&H Signs in the Amount of \$1,810.00**

Police Captain Alan Sanvictores reviewed the Staff Report.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Councilmember Shevlin, to approve the purchase of replacement patrol vehicles from Wondries Fleet Group in the amount of \$152,725.54, purchase and installation of new and existing emergency equipment by West Coast Lights and Sirens in the amount of \$23,066.41, and application of lettering and graphics by B&H Signs in the amount of \$1,810.00. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **AR-2 Update on Park and Open Space Opportunities**

Steve Sizemore, Community Development Director, reviewed the Staff Report.

In response to questions regarding the status of 601 East Los Angeles, City Manager Ochoa gave a brief update and indicated that it would come back to the City Council following review by the Planning Commission for review of CEQA findings and General Plan conformity.

Discussion continued regarding history of grant monies received for parks in the City, how past and ongoing surveys will be brought into the review process, community outreach and input, and developers' involvement with concept plans presented related to the Station Square project.

Public Input:

1. Gwendolyn Jones, Monrovia

In response to comments made during Public Input, City Manager Ochoa provided clarification regarding the statistically valid survey performed by the Rose Institute every 4 years versus the useful but not statistically valid MAP neighborhood survey.

Further discussion ensued regarding utility of pocket parks and appropriate placement, and the current priority of replacing deteriorating play equipment and repairing the infrastructure at various existing parks.

**It was moved by Councilmember Shevlin, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, to receive and file the report.**

**PUBLIC INPUT, CONTINUED, IF NEEDED:** None.

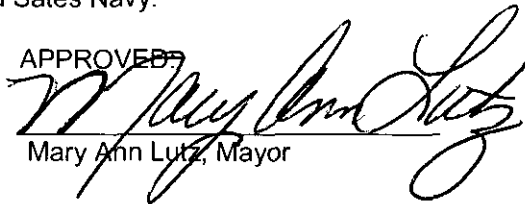
**ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED:** None.

**SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council is scheduled for Tuesday, October 18, 2011, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California.

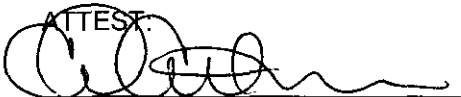
**ADJOURNMENT:** At 9:54 p.m., Mayor Lutz adjourned the meeting in honor of Ben Rotondi, longtime resident and World War II Veteran of the United States Navy.

APPROVED:



Mary Ann Lutz, Mayor

ATTEST:



Alice D. Atkins, CMC, City Clerk