

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE  
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL  
HELD TUESDAY MARCH 18 2003 7 30 P M**

**CONVENE** Mayor Lara Larramendi Blakely convened the Special Meeting of the Monrovia City Council of Tuesday March 18 2003 at 7 30 P M in City Council Chambers 415 South Ivy Avenue Monrovia California

**INVOCATION** Police Chaplain Sylvia Van Doren led the Invocation

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Councilmember Victor M Franco led the Pledge of Allegiance

**ROLL CALL** In attendance were Councilmembers Adams Franco Garcia Mayor Pro Tem Hammond and Mayor Lara Larramendi Blakely

**A CITY CLERK S CERTIFICATION OF CANVASS OF VOTES** City Clerk Linda B Proctor CMC presented the March 4 2003 General Municipal Election City Clerk s Certification of Canvass as follows

Pursuant to Resolution No 2002-82 adopted October 8 2002 she reported she had canvassed the returns of the General Municipal Election of March 4 2003 and certified the results attached to Resolution No 2003-16 and made a part thereof as Exhibit A"

She certified that the whole number of ballots cast in the precincts except for absent voter ballots and provisional ballots was 3579 that the whole number of absent voter ballots cast in the City was 1135 that the whole number of provisional ballots cast in the City was 49 making a total of 4763 ballots cast in the City

She further certified that the persons voted for at the election for Mayor were

Stephen H Grollnek  
Rob Hammond  
Lara Larramendi Blakely

That the persons voted for Members of the City Council were

Mary Ann Lutz  
Ben Sampson  
Tom Adams  
Dan Kirby  
Pamela Fitzpatrick

She concluded by proposing that the City Council declare and determine that

Rob Hammond was elected with a total of 3047 votes as Mayor for the full term of two (2) years that Tom Adams was elected with a total of 2522 votes as Member of the City Council for the full term of four (4) years and that Mary Ann Lutz was elected with a total of 2367 votes as Member of the City Council for the full term of four (4) years

**It was moved by Councilmember Adams seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hammond to adopt Resolution No 2003-16**

**ROLL CALL**

**Ayes Councilmembers Blakely Garcia Hammond  
Mayor Pro Tem Adams and Mayor Blakely  
Motion carried 5-0**

**B REMARKS BY AND PRESENTATIONS TO RETIRING CITY COUNCILMEMBERS**

Councilmember Franco and Mayor Blakely's remarks included their appreciation of Staff and their respective families. Mayor Pro Tem Hammond and the City Council presented plaques to Mayor Blakely and Councilmember Franco. Plaques were also presented from the City of Irwindale and Assemblyman Lui's office. Senator Margett's office had plaques but was unable to attend and will forward them to Mayor Blakely and Councilmember Franco.

**C ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION**

City Clerk Proctor administered the oaths of office to the following candidates

Councilmember Tom Adams  
Councilmember Mary Ann Lutz  
Mayor Rob Hammond

**D REMARKS BY SEATED MAYOR COUNCILMEMBERS CITY TREASURER CITY CLERK**

Remarks were made by Mayor Rob Hammond Councilmember Tom Adams and Councilmember Mary Ann Lutz

**E NOTICE OF VACANCY****1 Declaration of Vacancy**

City Clerk Proctor stated that she was officially informing the City Council that with the administering of the Oath of Office to Mayor Rob Hammond a vacancy had occurred. She further reported that the City Attorney would further advise them of their options.

**2 Procedural Alternatives and Processes**

City Attorney Craig Steele reported that the City Council had a period of 30 days from this date to either appoint or call for a Special Election which would occur on November 4 2003. He further stated that the appointment could be any registered voter in Monrovia. He stated that Item G on this Agenda gave the City Council the opportunity to discuss and take action this evening if it so desired.

In response to an inquiry by Councilmember Lutz City Attorney Steele stated that an election in November could not be combined with the School Board election in November as the boundaries were not the same. City Clerk Proctor explained that voters for the School Board election also resided in County areas in Arcadia Monrovia and Duarte which was not the case for City elections.

**F PUBLIC INPUT ON ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

- 1 Victor Franco Monrovia spoke against an election and for the third highest and on down if that candidate refused appointment on the ballot
- 2 Clinton Arsenault Monrovia did not wish to speak
- 3 Cyrus Kemp Monrovia spoke in favor of an appointment
- 4 Pat Myers Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing Dan Kirby
- 5 Tula Lee Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing the third highest Pam Fitzpatrick as had been done the last two times a vacancy had occurred this way

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- 7 Jim Gerstenberg Monrovia spoke in favor of the best person for the job who all could work with which was not necessarily the third highest
- 8 Mimi Mency Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing the third highest as had been done the last two times a vacancy had occurred this way
- 9 Karen Suarez Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing the third highest as had been done the last two times a vacancy had occurred this way
- 10 Clare Chesley Monrovia spoke in favor of a ranking system (proportional representation) and appointing Dan Kirby
- 11 Glenda Baldwin Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing the third highest
- 12 Jennifer Ranger Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing the third highest as had been done the last two times a vacancy had occurred this way
- 13 Leanne Howard Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing the third highest
- 14 Lela Oaks Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing Dan Kirby
- 15 Sharon L Howard Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing the third highest
- 16 Marjorie Irvin Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing the third highest
- 17 Rosemary Harrahill spoke in favor of an election
- 18 Steve Chesley Monrovia spoke in favor of an election and a ranking system (proportional representation) election
- 19 Marlene Fitzpatrick Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing the third highest
- 20 Jeffrey L Fairley Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing Dan Kirby
- 21 Katherine Fitzpatrick Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing the third highest Pam Fitzpatrick
- 22 Senator Dick Mountjoy retired Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing Dan Kirby
- 23 Josie Olivas Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing a team player
- 24 Victor Castellanos Monrovia spoke in favor of an election
- 25 Tom O Connell Monrovia suggested that the City Council make its own decision
- 26 Jana Ranger Monrovia spoke in favor of appointing Pam Fitzpatrick

Mayor Hammond called for a recess from 9 14 P M to 9 24 P M

## **G FILLING OF VACANCY**

### **1 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Filling of City Council Vacancy by Appointment or by Special Election to be held on November 4 2003**

Discussion ensued including investigating a future ranking system (proportional representation) election consolidating with the School Board November election number of times a third runner up had been appointed and the need for a team player Mayor Hammond stated that he would like to have the matter resolved at this Meeting and would like to see an appointment of someone who had run a campaign

After further discussion it was moved by Councilmember Adams seconded by Councilmember Garcia to appoint Dan Kirby to the unexpired term of two years of the City Council

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Ayes Councilmembers Adams Garcia Councilmember Lutz and Mayor Hammond  
Motion carried 4-0**

City Clerk Proctor administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember Dan Kirby

Remarks were made by Councilmember Kirby

**H SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

Mayor Hammond announced that the next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council was scheduled for Tuesday March 28 2003 7 30 P M Council Chambers 415 S Ivy Avenue Monrovia California

**J ADJOURNMENT**


Mayor Hammond adjourned the Meeting at 9 45 P M

A Reception followed in the Lobby of City Hall Refreshments were served

APPROVED

  
Rob Hammond Mayor

ATTEST

  
Linda B Proctor CMC City Clerk