

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL  
HELD TUESDAY MAY 22 2001 7 30 P M**

**CONVENE** Preceding a Study Session to discuss the 2001-2003 Fiscal Year Budget from 5 50 P M to 7 17 P M at which all City Councilmembers with the exception of Councilmember Franco was in attendance Mayor Lara Larramendi Blakely convened the Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council of Tuesday May 22 2001 at 7 35 P M in City Council Chambers 415 South Ivy Avenue Monrovia California

**INVOCATION** Pastor Maurice Battle Jr All Nations Seventh Day Adventist led the Invocation

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Councilmember Joe Garcia led the Pledge of Allegiance

**ROLL CALL** In attendance were Councilmembers Tom Adams Joe Garcia Mayor Pro Tem Rob Hammond and Mayor Lara Larramendi Blakely Councilmember Victor M Franco was excused

**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION**

**1 Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Sections §54956 9(b)(2) Settlement Authority for Roberto Wilkens**

City Attorney Michael Colantuono reported on the Workers Compensation matter discussed at the May 8 2001 Closed Session and reported that Negotiator Theresa St Peter had been given instructions which were not as yet a public record No other matters were discussed

**PRESENTATION**

**1 Introduction of Newly Appointed Fire Battalion Chief David Cruz**

Fire Chief Peter Bryan introduced newly appointed Fire Battalion Chief David Cruz to the Mayor City Council and the community Chief Bryan gave a brief biographical sketch on Battalion Chief Cruz and introduced his family Mayor Blakely congratulated Fire Battalion Chief David Cruz on behalf of the City Council on his recent promotion

**2 Introduction of Newly Hired Police Personnel Jailer Anisa Ortiz and Police Officers Nick Manfredi and Marco Oropeza**

Police Chief Joe Santoro introduced newly hired Jailer Anisa Ortiz and Police Officers Nick Manfredi and Marco Oropeza to the Mayor City Council and the community Chief Santoro read brief biographical sketches on all three new employees Mayor Blakely welcomed them to Monrovia

**3 Recognition of Gary and Connie Potter and Establishment of Samson the Bear Memorial Fund**

Daniel Iwata Parks Division Manager introduced Gary and Connie Potter to the Mayor City Council and the community He then gave a brief overview of Samson s life and the Potters involvement with his life He then asked Mayor Blakely to extend the City s appreciation to them by presenting them with a plaque

Gary Potter expressed their gratitude to the Council for assisting in the establishment of the Samson the Bear Memorial Fund

**PROCLAMATIONS** None

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT** Student Representative Chris Burau introduced Matt Binford 2001-02 Student Government Representative He then reported on activities at Monrovia High School

**A CONSENT CALENDAR** It was moved by Councilmember Adams seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hammond to approve the Consent Calendar consisting of Items \*B \*F-1 \*F-2 \*I-4 \*I-5 \*I-6 and \*K

**ROLL CALL** Ayes Councilmembers Adams Garcia Mayor Pro Tem Hammond Mayor Blakely  
Excused Councilmember Franco  
Motion carried 4-0

**\*B MINUTES** Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 8 2001 were approved by order of the Consent Calendar

**C ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

At the request of Mayor Blakely Deputy City Clerk Rachael A Hughes read the guidelines for Oral Communications as follows

At this time citizens who wish to speak on any City business item not on the Agenda should first complete and return a Speaker Information Form to the City Clerk before this 45-minute period By State law the City Council may not discuss and vote on items not on the agenda Speakers will be called on a first come first served basis Time allotted for each speaker is a maximum of 3 minutes Please state your name and address for the record Those not accommodated during this period have an additional opportunity to speak under M ORAL COMMUNICATIONS Continued if necessary following public City business The City Attorney will track the minutes remaining in the 45-minute period and advise the Mayor prior to the last speaker speaking Speakers were asked to come to the front of the Chambers to sit and wait their time to speak as the City Clerk called their names three at a time

1 Cyrus Kemp Monrovia spoke on the budget procedure and the reliability of the recent presentation to the Mayor and City Council

2 Diane Bowden Monrovia presented a plaque Bowden Development recently received at the Gold Nugget Awards The award presented was the Award of Merit Best in the West Ms Bowden further expressed her pleasure in the continuing relationship between Bowden Development and the City

3 Michael W Blumenthal Monrovia spoke supporting Planned Parenthood

4 Barbara Silver Monrovia turned in speaker card but did not stay for the meeting

5 Jennifer Ranger Monrovia spoke on Family Festival and a fair RFP process for festival management

6 Ann Hodgdon Monrovia spoke against Planned Parenthood

7 Steve St Pierre Temple City presented a videotape to be viewed at a later time and spoke against Planned Parenthood

8 Gina Ayala Monrovia and current boardmember of Community Media of the Foothills spoke to encourage membership in KGEM and to ask the community to vote in July for four vacancies on the Board

9 Louise Newhart Monrovia spoke against Planned Parenthood

10 Rosemary Harrahill Monrovia thanked the City Council for the recent Monrovia Days

festivities this past weekend She further spoke against Planned Parenthood and for the efforts by the Monrovia Ministerial Association who is looking into helping women in need

11 Clare Chesley Monrovia spoke on possible solutions or alternatives to Planned Parenthood She further expressed her gratitude for the Vietnam Memorial in Library Park and read the names and ages of those on the memorial

12 Cathi Reid Arcadia spoke against Planned Parenthood

13 Douglas Ferris Monrovia spoke against Planned Parenthood

14 Laura Gomez Arcadia introduced herself as the new Staff assistant for Senator Bob Margett and offered their assistance to the Mayor and City Council

15 Pam Fitzpatrick Monrovia continued her sister s written report regarding Family Festival management

16 Mark Baker Monrovia spoke against Planned Parenthood

17 Chuck Keenan Monrovia member of American Legion Post 45 reminded the community of the upcoming Memorial Day event at Live Oak Cemetery and publicly thanked Mayor Pro Tem Hammond for his work on the Vietnam Memorial He also spoke against Planned Parenthood

#### **D PUBLIC MEETINGS/HEARINGS**

**1 Withdrawn Appeal of Planning Commission Denial of CUP2001-09 Pertaining to the Shell Service Station at 702 East Huntington Drive by Equilon LLC**

Equilon has decided not to pursue the ABC license for the subject project at this site and has withdrawn its appeal to the Planning Commission s decision on CUP2001-09 Since the matter had been advertised as a Public Hearing it was necessary to leave it on the Agenda and announce the withdrawal at the City Council meeting in the event members of the public were in attendance to address the Council

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

**CONVENE** Chairman Lara Larramendi Blakely convened the Regular Meeting of May 22 2001 of the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors at 8 45 P M in City Council Chambers without adjourning the City Council Meeting

**ROLL CALL** Those in attendance were Boardmembers Tom Adams Joe Garcia Vice-Chairman Rob Hammond and Chairman Lara Larramendi Blakely Boardmember Victor M Franco was excused

**A CONSENT CALENDAR** It was moved by Boardmember Garcia seconded by Vice-Chairman Hammond to adopt the Consent Calendar consisting of Item \*B

**ROLL CALL** Ayes Boardmembers Adams Garcia Vice-Chairman Hammond and Chairman Blakely  
Excused Boardmember Victor M Franco  
Motion carried 4-0

**\*B MINUTES** Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 8 2001 were approved by order of the Consent Calendar

#### **MRA REPORTS**





Based on the recommendation of outside counsel Staff recommended that the City Council deny this claim

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

Prior to the Council reports Mayor Blakely asked Fire Chief Peter Bryan to report on the brush clearance requirements Fire Chief Bryan reported that inspections will commence this week with a reinspection of those properties not in compliance to follow within a couple of weeks

1 **Councilmember Adams** reported that

(a) Friday May 18 was the Annual Don Montgomery Golf Tournament (in conjunction with Mary B Thorne/YMCA) with proceeds benefiting local high school scholarships

(b) The next meeting of the Fire Safe Council was scheduled for 7 00 p m on June 14 2001

2 **Councilmember Garcia** reported that

(a) He attended an environmental conference hosted by the SGVCOG with the theme Responding to the Community's Call for Action

(b) During the recent Monrovia Days celebration the City hosted a side booth providing information to the community of the upcoming Skate Park Project and also solicited donations He reported that over \$2 300 00 in donations was received during the two day event He reported that another fundraiser benefiting the Skate Park was scheduled for June 13 and publicly thanked Kathy Olds for her hard work on this project He further expressed his gratitude to all the volunteers and City Staff for their hard work in making the event a huge success

3 **Mayor Pro Tem Hammond** reported that

(a) He offered special thanks to the Beebe's and every member of the Monrovia Days Association for their hard work in making this year's event the best ever

(b) He had been in contact with Dave Daily R & D Transit (Dial-A-Ride) to schedule ongoing meetings to improve service With summer almost upon us and the rising gas costs they anticipate ridership will increase

(c) He also reminded the community of the upcoming Memorial Day ceremony to be held at Live Oak Cemetery and asked that we all remember the servicemen who fought for our freedom

4 **Mayor Blakely** reported that

(a) **Appointment to ICRMA Board of Directors Resolution No 2001-18**

**It was moved by Mayor Blakely seconded by Councilmember Garcia to approve Resolution No 2001-18 appointing Mayor Pro Tem Rob Hammond as the representative to the ICRMA Board of Directors with Theresa St Peter Director of Human Resources and Risk Management as alternate There were no objections**

(b) **Appointment to San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District Board of Trustees Two-Year Term would be Karen Suarez**

Mayor Blakely appointed Karen Suarez to a two year term for the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District Board of Trustees

(c) She reported on the recent trip to Sacramento by Robert Kastenbaum Scott Ochoa Gloria Crudginton and herself to meet with legislators to lobby for funds for the wilderness preserve

5 **Councilmember Franco** was excused

Mayor Blakely called a recess from 9 20 P M to 9 27 P M

**H REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES** None

The following item was taken out of order

**J RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

**1 Amendment of Title 10 Section 10 16 076 of the Monrovia Municipal Code Relating to Traffic Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No 2001-09**

Doug Benash City Engineer reviewed the Staff Report

In December 2000 Staff received a petition from residents residing on the north side of Royal Oaks Drive between Mountain Avenue and Bradbury Road The petition outlined several traffic-related concerns such as speeding traffic volume and on-street parking

In response to the petition Staff attended a neighborhood meeting to discuss possible resolutions to their concerns The majority of their concerns were addressed and rectified however their main concern of heavy traffic volume on Royal Oaks Drive and difficulty with parked vehicles causing a sight distance problem for them when backing out of their driveways remains an issue

This issue was considered by the Traffic Safety Committee meeting on February 15 2001 The consensus reached by the affected residents was for the City to implement parking restrictions on the north side of Royal Oaks Drive between the hours of 2 00 a m and 9 00 a m Monday through Saturday

After consideration of this option by the Traffic Safety Committee it was determined that this would be the best way to mitigate the problem and therefore the Traffic Safety Committee recommended that the City Council consider amending the MMC to reflect the parking restrictions

The Traffic Safety Committee recommended that the City Council approve an amendment of Title 10 Section 10 16 076 of the Monrovia Municipal Code Relating to Traffic by adding a new subsection 2 as follows

2 On the north side of Royal Oaks Drive between Mountain Avenue and Bradbury Road between the hours of 2 00 a m and 9 00 a m Monday through Saturday

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Hammond and seconded by Councilmember Tom Adams to introduce and read by title only Ordinance No 2001-09 amending Title 10 Section 10 16 076 of the Monrovia Municipal Code Relating to Traffic As there were no objections the City Attorney read

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA AMENDING TITLE 10 SECTION 10 16 076 OF THE MONROVIA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO TRAFFIC BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION 2**

**I ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**1 Proposed 2001-02 Park Capital Improvement Projects List**

Dan Iwata Parks Division Manager reviewed the Staff Report





**\*4 One-Year Extension of Contract for Janitorial Services with Facility Operations Plus**

This matter was approved by order of the Consent Calendar

In April 1997 the City Council awarded a janitorial contract to Facility Operations Plus to provide services at City Hall the Police Station Community Center Library and the Corporate Yard In June 1999 the contract was amended to include service at several other City locations In January 2001 their contract was again amended to include recycling services for City Hall the Police Station Community Center Library and the City Hall Annex

The company has agreed to extend the existing janitorial service contract for a period of one year with an increase of 3.5% to the existing contract amount bringing the annual contract amount to \$160,308 The increase is based on the federally calculated Consumer Price Index (CPI) cost of Living Adjustment

Staff recommended that the City Council approve a one-year extension to the existing janitorial contract with Facility Operations Plus for janitorial and recycling services and increase the total annual contract amount by 3.5% based on the CPI for an annual contract amount of \$160,380.00

**\*5 One-Year Extension of Contract for Radio Maintenance with Advanced Electronics Inc**

This matter was approved by order of the Consent Calendar

In August 1999 the City Council awarded a contract to Advanced Electronics Inc in the amount of \$17,448.00 for the maintenance of radios used by the Public Works and Police Departments The contract was subsequently reduced to \$16,560.00

The company has agreed to continue to provide radio maintenance under the same terms and provision as included in the current contract They have provided very professional service and well-trained technical support since the City began utilizing their services

Staff recommended that the City Council approve a one-year contract extension of the existing Radio Maintenance Contract with Advanced Electronics Inc in the amount of \$16,560.00

**\*6 One-Year Extension of Contract for Purchase and Delivery of Motor Fuels with Mercury Air Group for Gasoline and Merrimac Energy Group for Diesel Fuel**

This matter was approved by order of the Consent Calendar

The Public Works Department Facilities Division is responsible for providing motor fuels for City vehicles the MUSD and the Metropolitan Cooperative Library System Because the price of gasoline is constantly fluctuating a fixed price for any extended period of time cannot be guaranteed

On August 6 1996 the City Council awarded contracts to Merrimac Energy Group and Mercury Air Group for the purchase of motor fuels Both companies have agreed to continue to provide the appropriate motor fuel under the same terms and provisions as included in their current contracts

Staff recommended that the City Council approve a one-year contract extension for the purchase of motor fuels with Mercury Air Group and Merrimac Energy Group

**J RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

**1 Amendment of Title 10 Section 10 16 076 of the Monrovia Municipal Code Relating to Traffic Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No 2001-09**

This matter was taken out of order following the recess called by Mayor Blakely

**K PAYROLL & VOUCHERS** Payroll No 10 in the net amount of \$400 527 05 and Voucher Numbers 94571 through 94864 non-sequentially in the amount of \$451 574 19 were approved by order of the Consent Calendar

**L SCHEDULED MEETINGS** Study Sessions to receive the 2001-2003 Two-Year Budget Department Goals and Objectives are scheduled for Tuesday May 29 2001 and Wednesday May 30 2001 6 00 P M City Council Chambers 415 South Ivy Avenue Monrovia California

The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council is scheduled for Tuesday June 12 2001 7 30 P M City Council Chambers 415 South Ivy Avenue Monrovia California

**M ORAL COMMUNICATIONS IF NEEDED**

As the initial Oral Communication session did not exceed forty-five minutes there was no need to continue at this time


**N CLOSED SESSION** None

**O ADJOURN** Mayor Blakely to adjourned the meeting in memory of longtime Monroviaans Clifford E Speer and Mary P Costello and read their obituaries as they appeared in the Star News The meeting was adjourned at 9 52 P M

APPROVED

  
Lara Larramendi Blakely Mayor

ATTEST

  
Linda B Proctor CMC City Clerk