

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL
HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2014, 2013, 7:30 P.M.**

CLOSED SESSION: Mayor Lutz convened the Closed Session Meeting of the Monrovia City Council at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4, 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 Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9 (a); Richard Lukofnak v. City of Monrovia, Case No. WC 8700003; CS-2 Public Employee Appointment Pursuant to Government Code §54957: City Manager.

CONVENE: Mayor Lutz convened the Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council of Tuesday, March 4, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers. In attendance were Interim City Manager Francis M. Delach, City Attorney Craig A. Steele, and City Clerk Alice D. Atkins.

INVOCATION: Pastor Karen Mastrogiovanni led the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Pro Tem Becky A. Shevlin 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. Discussion had not concluded and the City Council would reconvene the Closed Session and continue discussion following the Regular Meeting.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

PR-1 Recognition of Canyon Park Volunteer of the Year Doug Elson: Kerri Zessau, Acting Recreation Division Manager, assisted the Mayor and City Council in recognizing Canyon Park Volunteer of the Year Doug Elson.

PR-2 Proclaiming March 9-15, 2014 as "Teen Read Week": Elizabeth Schnieder, Librarian II – Youth Services, assisted the Mayor and City Council with presenting a proclamation to members of the Teen Advisory Board.

PR-3 Proclaiming March 2014 as "Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Awareness Month": The Mayor and City Council presented a proclamation to members of the Healing Connections Committee.

PR-4 Proclaiming March 2014 as "Red Cross Month": The Mayor and City Council presented a proclamation to Red Cross Community Ambassador Suzanne Dobson and members of the Youth Executive Board for the San Gabriel Pomona Valley Chapter.

PR-5 Letter of Appreciation from South African Consulate-General Regarding City's Display of South African Flag as a Tribute to the Memory of Nelson R. Mandela: The Mayor presented a letter received by the City from the South African Consulate-General and thanked Former Mayor Robert Bartlett and activist Ralph Walker for their efforts in recognizing the legacy of Nelson R. Mandela.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Student Liaison Kevin Lee reported on current events at the high school.

ORDER OF BUSINESS: Interim City Manager Fran Delach stated that there were two items that came to the attention of Staff after the agenda was posted, as indicated on the memorandum provided to the City Council and available at the public counter with related Agenda Reports, as follows:

AR-3 Ratifying the Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency by the Emergency Services Director; Resolution No. 2014-12

AR-4 Letter of Support for the San Gabriel Valley Golden Streets Proposal the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Authority (METRO) "Open Streets" Grant Program

It was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Councilmember Spicer, 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 post. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Councilmember Shevlin, to add the above referenced items to the Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR: It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, seconded by Councilmember Adams, to approve the consent calendar. The Consent Calendar consisted of the following Agenda items:

CC-1 Unadopted Minutes of the February 13, 2014, Special Meeting and the February 18, 2014, Special and Regular Meetings of the Monrovia City Council: The City Council adopted the Minutes of the February 13, 2014, Special Meeting and February 18, 2014, Regular Meeting.

CC-2 Payroll No. 5 in the Net Amount of \$499,579.27, and Warrant Register dated February 13, 2014 in the Total Amount of \$916,620.75: The City Council approved Payroll No. 5 in the net amount of \$499,579.27, and Warrant Register date February 13, 2014, in the total amount of \$916,620.75.

CC-3 Acceptance of Fiduciary Management of the 2014-2015 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Grant: The City Council accepted fiduciary management of the 2014-2015 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Grant and authorized the Chief of Police to execute the necessary documents.

PUBLIC INPUT:

1. Cyrus Kemp, Monrovia
2. Marilyn Serotko, Monrovia
3. Paul Lazear and Father Neil Tadken, St. Luke's Episcopal Church
4. Gwendolyn Jones, Monrovia
5. Chuck Keen, American Legion Post 44

PUBLIC HEARINGS / MEETINGS: None

REPORTS OF CITY MANAGER AND STAFF**Interim City Manager Fran Delach**

- (a) Update on Gold Line Construction: Director of Public Works Carl Hassel provided a brief update
- (b) Update on Weekend Storm: Director of Public Works Carl Hassel and Fire Chief Chris Donovan provided an update and statistics on the recent storm, thanking Staff, businesses, community members, and local agencies for their support; Interim City Manager Delach received thanks from many residents for the City's debris and mud flow mitigation efforts and the City Council's approval of expenditures related to K-Rail installations in areas affected by the Madison Fire.

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCILMEMBERS & SUB-COMMITTEES**RCC-1 Mayor Mary Ann Lutz:**

- (a) Recent events in the community
- (b) U.S. Conference of Mayors Winter Leadership Officers Meeting; Phoenix, Arizona

RCC-2 Mayor Pro Tem Becky A. Shevlin

- (a) Grand Opening of El Monte Veterans Village, state-of-the art housing community for veterans
- (b) Upcoming vacancies on City Boards and Commissions
- (c) Upcoming events in the community

RCC-3 Councilmember Tom Adams:

(a) Update on Online Pothole Reporting: Carl Hassel provided information on how to submit information to Public Works via the City website and state Staff was looking into a smartphone application

RCC-4 Councilmember Alexander C. Blackburn:

(a) Requested an update on the Reusable Bag Committee and efforts to establish a committee to address issues in Library Park; Interim City Manager Delach indicated recommendations would be forthcoming from the Reusable Bag Regulations Ad Hoc Committee, and he was making contact with prospective appointees of the ad hoc committee for homelessness and issues in Library Park.

RCC-5 Councilmember Larry J. Spicer had no report.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**AR-1 Acceptance of Irrevocable Offer of Dedication of a Strip of Property at 316 South Myrtle Avenue and Finding the Project is Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; Resolution No. 2014-06**

Carl Hassel, Director of Public Works, reviewed the Agenda Report.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, seconded by Councilmember Blackburn, to adopt Resolution No. 2014-06. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued regarding next steps regarding construction at the property, status of violations, encouraging completion of the project, process and effects of declaring a public nuisance for abatement, and whether there were ways to avoid similar circumstances in the future.

AR-2 Letter of Opposition to House Resolution HR 29 (Gomez) Restricting or Limiting Options to Outsource Public Services

Francis Delach, Interim City Manager, reviewed the Agenda Report.

It was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Councilmember Blackburn, to direct the Interim City Manager to send a letter of opposition to Assembly member Gomez regarding HR 29. The motion carried unanimously.

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City Attorney Craig Steele reviewed the Agenda Report.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, seconded by Councilmember Adams, to adopt Resolution No. 2014-12. The motion carried unanimously.

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Francis Delach, Interim City Manager, reviewed the Agenda Report.

Public Input:

1. Councilmember Michael Cacciotti, South Pasadena, spoke in support of the item
2. Javier Hernandez, Day One, spoke in support of the item

Interim City Manager Delach explained the urgency of the matter was due to the grant application deadline of March 14, 2014.

Councilmember Adams requested that before committing funds in the future to a community event, to look at condition of streets.

It was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Councilmember Spicer, to authorize the Interim City Manager to execute a letter of support. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT, CONTINUED, IF NEEDED: None.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED: None

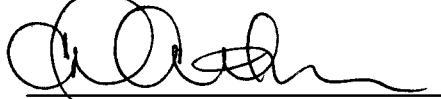
SCHEDULED MEETINGS: The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council was scheduled for Tuesday, March 18, 2014, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California.

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION: At 9:40 p.m., Mayor Lutz adjourned the meeting in memory of Retired Fire Chief Mark Foote; Garabed Kahwajian, Father of Mt. Sierra College Boardmember Greg Kahwajian; Marianne Cortland, Longtime Pet Advocate and Therapy Dog Group Founder to continue discussion of the items on the posted Closed Session Agenda.

RECONVENE AND REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION: At 10:00 p.m., Mayor Lutz convened the City Council Meeting. City Attorney Steele stated that no reportable action was taken.

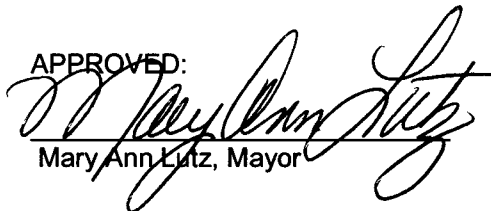
ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Lutz adjourned the Meeting at 10:00 p.m.

ATTEST:



Alice D. Atkins, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED:



Mary Ann Lutz, Mayor