

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL  
HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2013, 7:30 P.M.**

**CLOSED SESSION:** Mayor Lutz convened the Closed Session Meeting of the Monrovia City Council at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesday, September 3, 2013, in City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California, at which all Councilmembers were present to discuss the following Closed Session item: CS-1 Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code §54957.6; Agency Negotiator: Danielle Tellez; Group Employees: Monrovia Firefighters Association; 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, September 3, 2013, at 7:35 p.m. in City Council Chambers, in honor of Marshall Thomas Maloney, born August 17, 2013, to Heather and Marlon Maloney, and Skeye Lamour Ford, born August 22, 2013, to parents Mattie and Damion Ford and grandparent Sandra Thompson. 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:** Mayor Pro Tem 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 item on the posted agenda and there was no reportable action on item CS-1. With respect to item CS-2, Mayor Lutz announced that the City Council had accepted the resignation of City Manager Laurie Lile and stated that Staff was given direction to being the recruitment process for an Interim City Manager.

**PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

**PR-1 Recognition of Fourth Annual Neighborhood Conference Sponsors:** Management Analyst Alfredo Enriquez assisted the Mayor and City Council in recognizing the sponsors of the Fourth Annual Neighborhood Conference.

**PR-2 Recognition of Monrovia Police Department Explorer Post 8th Annual "Explorer X Games" Award Recipients:** Police Chief Jim Hunt reviewed the event and assisted the Mayor and City Council in recognizing the Monrovia Police Department Explorer Post for their achievements.

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:** Student Liaison Kevin Lee provided a report on the past and upcoming activities at the high school.

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

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

**CC-1 Unadopted Minutes of the August 6, 2013, Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council:** The City Council adopted the Minutes of the August 6, 2013, Regular Meeting.

**CC-2 Payroll Nos. 17 and 18 in the Net Amounts of \$540,970.02 and \$539,420.88, Respectively, and Warrant Register dated August 20, 2013, in the Total Amount of \$1,109,660.17:** The City Council approved Payroll Nos. 17 and 18 in the net amounts of \$540,970.02 and \$539,420.88, respectively, and Warrant Register dated August 20, 2013, in the total amount of \$1,109,660.17.

**CC-3 Professional Services Agreement with Cost Recovery Systems, Inc., for the Completion of Senate Bill 90 (SB90) State Mandated Reimbursement Claims in an Amount Not to Exceed \$9,250.00:** The City Council approved a professional services agreement with Cost Recovery Systems, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$9,250.00, and authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

**CC-4 Approval of Levy Amount and Tax Rate Percent of Taxes Levied for the Direct Assessment Parcel Taxes and the Tax Override Ad Valorem Tax for the 2013-14 Fiscal Year; Resolution No. 2013-46:** The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2013-46.

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

1. Kurt Thorgerson, Monrovia
2. Cyrus Kemp, Monrovia
3. Gwendolyn Jones, Monrovia
4. Sergio Jimenez, Monrovia
5. Dorothy Keltz, Monrovia

**PUBLIC HEARINGS / MEETINGS:** None

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

**RCC-1 Mayor Mary Ann Lutz:**

- (a) San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District; Representative Dan Kirby provided an update

**RCC-2 Mayor Pro Tem Becky A. Shevlin:**

- (a) Newest Monrovia Today and Community Services Class Brochure
- (b) Upcoming events and summer programs in the community

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

**RCC-4 Councilmember Alexander C. Blackburn:**

- (a) Upcoming Monrovia Rotary Club Casino Night Fundraiser

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**AR-1 Reaffirmation of Resolution No. 89-48, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Monrovia, County of Los Angeles, State of California, supporting completion of the Long Beach Freeway (State Route 710 (SR-710) Freeway)**

City Manager Laurie Lile reviewed the Agenda Report. Doug Failing of METRO provided an update on the State Route 710 North Environment Study and an overview of the 5 completion alternatives currently being considered, Hasan Ikurata, Executive Director, Southern California Association of Governments, spoke in support of closing the 710 freeway gap, Councilmember Michael Cacciotti gave a presentation in opposition to closing the 710 freeway gap.

**Public Input:**

1. Dr. Richard Schneider, Mayor, City of South Pasadena, spoke against the item
2. Richard Ward, Mayor, City of San Marino, spoke in favor of the item
3. Dr. Marina Khubesrian, Mayor Pro Tem, City of South Pasadena, spoke against the item
4. Barbara Messina, Councilmember, City of Alhambra, spoke in favor of the item
5. Phillip Putnam, Councilmember, City of South Pasadena, spoke against the item
6. William Bicker, Pasadena, spoke against the item
7. Dr. Tom Williams, LA-32 Neighborhood Council, spoke against the item
8. Susan Bolan, La Crescenta, spoke against the item
9. Kurt Thorgerson, Monrovia, spoke against the item

10. Bill Urban, West Pasadena Residents' Association, spoke against the item
11. Freddie Hennan, Pasadena, spoke against the item
12. Harry Baldwin, San Gabriel, spoke in favor of the item
13. Tom Savio, Pasadena, spoke against the item
14. John Krarammen, Pasadena, spoke against the item
15. Dr. Bill Sherman, Monrovia, spoke against the item
16. Cyrus Kemp, Monrovia, spoke in favor of the item
17. Therese Hernandez-Cann, El Sereno, spoke against the item
18. Joe Cano, El Sereno, spoke against the item
19. Janet Irvin, Alhambra, spoke against the item
20. Maryanne Parada, South Pasadena, spoke against the item

Mayor Lutz called for a 10 minute recess at 9:57 p.m.

Public Input, Continued:

21. Andy Carrico, Pasadena, spoke against the item
22. Lara Larramendi, Former Mayor, Monrovia, spoke in favor of the item
23. Jeff Allred, City Manager, City of Rosemead, spoke in favor of the item on behalf of Rosemead City Councilmember Steven Ly
24. Jonathan Edwards, Pasadena, spoke against the item

Discussion ensued regarding the viability of transferring Measure R funds from the 710 project to the Gold Line extension, whether completion of the 710 freeway would benefit residents of Monrovia, the need for further environmental studies and more information on alternatives being considered, language in Resolution No. 89-48 specifically supporting completion of the freeway, and the possibility of crafting a resolution that could include considering other options once the Environmental Impact Report is complete, City Manager Lile suggested that the City Council could delay taking action until more information was available, or express support for closure of the transportation gap without reference to any particular alternative.

**It was moved by Councilmember Blackburn, seconded by Councilmember Spicer, to adopt Resolution No. 2013-43 with the language amended to affirm support for closure of the transportation gap existing along State Route 710.** The motion carried on the following vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Blackburn, Spicer, Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, Mayor Lutz. Noes: Councilmember Adams.

**AR-2 Approval of the Sale Price of a Tax-Defaulted Property to the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (APN Parcel 8689-008-078)**

Steve Sizemore, Director of Community Development, reviewed the Agenda Report.

Public Input:

1. Cyrus Kemp, Monrovia, spoke in opposition.
2. Dorothy Kelty, Monrovia, spoke in opposition.

Discussion ensued regarding what purpose the County had in mind, why Staff didn't feel the City should purchase it, the absence of any access to the property by road, the steep terrain and limited development opportunities, and what role the City would have in approving any proposed use of the property for anything other than open space.

**It was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Councilmember Spicer, to approve the sale of tax-defaulted property (APN 8689-008-078) to the Los Angeles County Flood Control District and authorize the Mayor to execute the related Agreement.** The motion carried unanimously.

**AR-3 Professional Services Agreement with Geosyntec Consulting, Inc., in the Amount of \$32,701.00 for Assistance with Implementation of the MS4 NPDES Permit's Planning and Land Development Requirements, Including Preparation of a Low Impact Development Ordinance and Green Street Policy**

Sharon Gallant, Management Analyst II, reviewed the Agenda Report.

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Councilmember Blackburn, to approve a professional services agreement with Geosyntec Consulting, Inc., in the amount of \$32,701.00 and authorize the City Manager to execute the necessary documents. The motion carried unanimously.

**AR-4 Professional Services Agreement with Willdan Engineering in the Amount of \$120,926.00 Related to Project Administration of the Connector Pipe Screen Installation Project**

Sharon Gallant, Management Analyst II, reviewed the Agenda Report.

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, to approve a professional services agreement with Willdan Engineering in the amount of \$120,926.00 and authorize the City Manager to execute the necessary documents. The motion carried unanimously.

**AR-5 Unilateral Implementation of Last, Best and Final Offer to the Monrovia Police Officers' Association; Amendment to Personnel Rules and Regulations to Provide for Compensation and Supplemental Benefits Effective Fiscal Year 2013-2014 for Police Employees, Appendix "G," Resolution No. 2013-45**

Mark Alvarado, Director of Administrative Services, reviewed the Agenda Report.

It was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Councilmember Spicer, to adopt Resolution No. 2013-45. The motion carried unanimously.

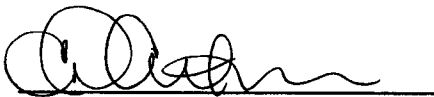
**PUBLIC INPUT, CONTINUED, IF NEEDED:** None.

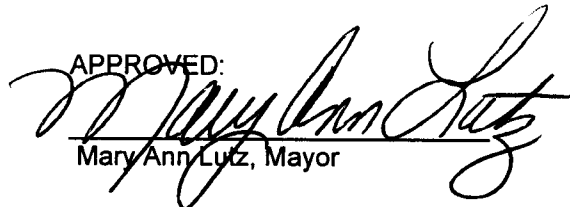
**ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED:** None.

**SCHEDULED MEETINGS:** The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council was scheduled for Tuesday, September 17, 2013, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California, preceded by a Study Session – Financial Overview at 5:30 P.M., Police Department Community Room.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 11:27 p.m., Mayor Lutz adjourned the meeting in memory Bill Grivich, former Public Works Department Utility Production Supervisor, and Kathryn Smith, longtime resident, Senior Club member, and community activist.

ATTEST:

  
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Alice D. Atkins, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED:  
  
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Mary Ann Lutz, Mayor