



SPECIAL JOINT MEETING
of the
MONROVIA CITY COUCIL
and the
MONROVIA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Library Community Room
Tuesday, September 15, 2009
6:00 P.M.
to discuss
Evaluating Historic Resources

REGULAR MEETING
of the
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL
City Council Chambers
7:30 P.M.

AGENDA SUMMARY

CONVENE	Mayor Mary Ann Lutz
INVOCATION	Reverend Jim DeFoe
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Mayor Pro Tem Tom Adams
ROLL CALL	Councilmembers Garcia, Shaw, Shevlin, Mayor Pro Tem Adams and Mayor Lutz

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

PR-1 Introduction of Monrovia Unified School District Superintendent Linda Wagner

The Mayor and City Council will welcome Linda Wagner to the community and present her with a Certificate of Recognition to congratulate her on her appointment as Superintendent of the Monrovia Unified School District.

Student Government Representative Report

Student Liaison Savannah Spicer

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CONSENT CALENDAR

CC-1 Unadopted Minutes of the September 1, 2009 Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council

CC-2 Payroll No. 18 in the Amount of \$612,432.07 and Voucher Nos. 160538 through 160759 in the Amount of \$1,545,600.09

PUBLIC INPUT

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

MRA CONVENE Chairman Lutz

MRA ROLL CALL Boardmembers, Garcia, Shaw, Shevlin, Vice-Chairman Adams,
and Chairman Lutz

MRA CONSENT CALENDAR

MRA CC-1 Unadopted Minutes of the September 1, 2009 Regular Meeting of the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency

MRA PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS

None

MRA ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

None

MRA ADJOURNMENT

RECONVENE MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL MEETING

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCILMEMBERS & SUB-COMMITTEES

- RCC1** Mayor Lutz
(a) Appointment of George Algarin, Monrovia Old Town Advisory Board for an Unexpired Term Ending June 30, 2010
- RCC2** Mayor Pro Tem Adams
- RCC3** Councilmember Garcia
- RCC4** Councilmember Shaw
- RCC5** Councilmember Shevlin

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

AR-1 Community Survey 2009 Results

Public Information Officer Dick Singer will review the Staff Report.

The City surveys its residents on a regular basis to determine levels of satisfaction and developing needs and issues. Such a survey was carried out in June and July of this year by the Rose Institute of State and Local Government, using telephone, mail-in surveys and focus group panels. The results are now in and are being publicly presented for the first time tonight.

If the City Council concurs, the appropriate action would be a motion to:

Receive and file the Community Survey 2009 Report.

AR-2 2008 Monrovia Environmental Accords Annual Report

Dan Iwata, Operations Division Manager, will review the Staff Report.

The City Council adopted the Monrovia Environmental Accords Administrative Policy No. 9.02 on July 2, 2007. The Accords consist of twenty-one (21) action items that focus on seven major topics: Energy, Waste Reduction, Urban Design, Urban Nature, Transportation, Environmental Health, and Water.

The Monrovia Green Team, consisting of City Staff from each Department is responsible to implement projects, programs and policies approved the City Council. There was significant progress in several Monrovia Accords key topic areas of sustainability in Energy, Waste Reduction, Urban Design, Urban Nature, Transportation, and Water.

The annual report provides a progress report on how well the City is accomplishing each action strategy. The goals are considered mid- to long-range and may take 5 to 20 years to accomplish.

If the Council concurs, the appropriate action would be a motion to

Receive and File the Environmental Accords Annual Report.

AR-3 Monrovia Library Water Fountain Project No. C-3037, Award of Contract to Patrick Glynn Construction in the Amount of \$159,000.00

Ron Bow, Director of Public Works, will review the Staff Report.

The Monrovia Library and Park Master Plan included a new water fountain feature at the main entrance of the library. The proposed water fountain is crafted with a unique style that compliments the library and park setting.

On September 8, 2009, two bids were received and opened by the City Clerk ranging from \$159,000.00 to \$321,700.00. The apparent low bidder is Patrick Glynn Construction in the amount of \$159,000.00. Staff reviewed the apparent low bidder's background, found all required documents to be in order, and references were contacted with satisfactory recommendations. Funds for the project are available in the Water Fund.

If the City Council concurs, the appropriate action would be a motion to:

Award a Contract to Patrick Glynn Construction for the Monrovia Library Water Fountain in the Amount of \$159,000.00 and Reject All Other Bids.

AR-4 Update on Wildlife in the Foothill Communities

Captain Rick Miglia will review the Staff Report.

The Monrovia Police Department is providing information on the recent increase in bear and other wildlife calls for service this past Spring and Summer. Staff will discuss behavioral characteristics of both the wildlife and community members in order to better understand the causal factors of these issues affecting our community and public safety resources.

If the City Council concurs, the appropriate action would be a motion to:

Receive and file the Wildlife in Foothill Neighborhood update.

AR-5 Old Town Myrtle Avenue Entrance Sign Recommendation from the Monrovia Endowment for the Arts Committee

Alice Griselle, Community Development Director, will review the Staff Report.

The 163 unit residential/commercial project named "The Courtyards at Old Town" is rapidly progressing on the 700 block of South Myrtle Avenue. Pursuant to the Art in Public Places Ordinance in Title 15 of the Monrovia Municipal Code, the developer is required to provide public art or pay an in lieu fee equal to 1% of the building valuation of the project. In this case, the amount is \$225,000. Urban Housing Group has elected to use their fee to pay for the Old Town entrance sign and for public art on their site. For the corner plaza at Myrtle and Olive Avenues, they are proposing art related to the Red Car as this site was once occupied by the Monrovia Pacific Electric station. They are also considering proposing art at their mid block entrance to the leasing office, courtyard and units. In the future, this art will be brought to the Committee for a recommendation and then on to the City Council for approval.

This specific request is for the Old Town Entrance Sign required by the Planning Commission and City Council as a condition of the approval of the project. The entrance sign will define the Old Town and fulfill the recommendation of the Urban Land Institute report that recommended signing the Old Town District. The sign has been designed and the Public Art Committee (Joe Garcia, Vicki Novell, Bill Beebe, and Marianne Lee) unanimously approved the sign at their June 2009 meeting and so recommended to the City Council (the Monrovia Old Town sign is attached to the Staff Report). The recommended design includes dark bronze posts and support cross arms. The letters will have a gold finish. The bases and posts are the same as the light standards used in Old Town which will provide continuity of the streetscape. However, they are larger in diameter and are a dark brown finish which will make them distinctive from the light standards. LED up-lighting will be placed along the lower cross support. The design features the official City seal with the palm tree as this is the same logo used on the Historic Landmark plaques and District signage (a copy of the logo is attached to the Staff Report). The gateway will span Myrtle Avenue and will be installed approximately 10 to 15 feet north of the intersection at Walnut Avenue. The streetscape has been designed to integrate with the sign location (the location drawing is attached to the Staff Report).

The developer will pay for the fabrication, engineering and installation of the sign. South Coast Lighting has quoted a total price of \$136,573. The \$88,427 balance will be used to satisfy the condition of approval by the City Council and Planning Commission for public art to be located in the new plaza area at Myrtle and Olive Avenues and potentially at the mid-block entrance to the project.

The Endowment for the Arts Committee and Staff are recommending approval of the Old Town Entrance sign.

If the City Council concurs, the appropriate action would be a motion to:

Approve the Old Town Myrtle Avenue entrance sign.

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council is scheduled for Tuesday, October 6, 2009, 7:30 P.M., City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California.

PUBLIC INPUT, CONTINUED, IF NEEDED

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

ACS-1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Government Code §54957, City Manager

ACS-2 Conference with Legal Counsel, Government Code §54956.9(a); Workers Compensation Claim, Ron Lingo vs. City of Monrovia, Case No. ANA 0367007

ADJOURNMENT

IN MEMORY OF

Mark A. Dickson, Longtime Monrovia Resident

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Ochoa", written over a horizontal line.

Scott Ochoa
City Manager

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