

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL  
HELD TUESDAY OCTOBER 23 2001 7 30 P M**

**CONVENE** Preceding a Study Session to continue discussion of the Altrio Open Video System (OVS) Agreement from 5 40 P M to 6 38 P M Police Department Community Room 140 East Lime Avenue and a Closed Session from 6 46 P M to 7 32 P M to Conference with Real Property Negotiators Pursuant to Government Code §54956 8 Wilderness Preserve Acquisition Project Property Parcel Numbers 8501-009-008 8503-003-006 8503-015-005 8501-009-003 City Negotiators Tom Adams Michael G Colantuono Gloria Crudginton and Donald R Hopper Under Negotiation Price and Terms of Payment Negotiating Parties Miller and City of Monrovia City Manager's Conference Room 415 South Ivy Avenue at which all City Councilmembers were in attendance Mayor Lara Larramendi Blakely convened the Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council of Tuesday October 23 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 Tom Adams led the Pledge of Allegiance

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

**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION**

October 10 2001 Conference with Labor Negotiator Theresa St Peter Unrepresented Employee Michael G Colantuono City Attorney Government Code §54957 6

City Attorney Colantuono reported that Staff was directed to send out Requests for Proposals (RFP) for City Attorney Services

**PRESENTATIONS**

**1 Recognition of Winners of 2001 Halloween Home Decorating Contest**

Kerri Zessau Recreation Coordinator reported that this year's Halloween Home Decorating Contest was held on Monday October 22 2001 There were over 19 entries She assisted the Mayor and City Council in recognizing the winners of this year's contest

**2 Introduction of Newly Hired Management Analyst I City Manager's Office Tamara Evans**

Mayor Blakely deferred this item to the next Council Meeting as Ms Evans had a prior family commitment and could not be here this evening

**3 Recognition of Neighborhood Pride Program Winners**

Bill Skiles Neighborhood Preservation Division Manager presented photographs and introduced the Neighborhood Pride program award recipients Donald Newsome and Family 408 Almond Avenue single family/owner occupied award winner(s) and Miguel and Juana Martinez and co-owner Oscar Martinez (who could not be in attendance) 418 Almond Avenue rental property owner award winner(s) to the Mayor City Council and community

**PROCLAMATIONS****1 Proclaiming the Week of October 23-30 as Red Ribbon Week**

Californians for Drug-Free Youth Inc coordinates the California Red Ribbon Celebration in cooperation with National Family Partnership to offer our citizens the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to health and drug-free lifestyles Red Ribbon Week is a nationally recognized campaign to increase awareness of the perils of drug abuse and educate residents and students in its prevention

Mayor Blakely proclaimed the week of October 23 2001 as Red Ribbon Week Sergeant Jim Hunt accepted the proclamation from the Mayor and City Council

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT** Student Government Liaison Matt Binford reported on activities at Monrovia High School

**A CONSENT CALENDAR**

At the request of Councilmember Adams \*E-2 and \*E-3 were removed from the Consent Calendar and at the request of Mayor Pro Tem Hammond \*F-1 was removed to be considered at the next City Council Meeting

**It was moved by Councilmember Adams seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hammond to approve the Consent Calendar consisting of Items \*I-2 \*I-3 \*I-4 and \*K**

**ROLL CALL** Ayes Councilmembers Adams Franco Garcia Mayor Pro Tem Hammond Mayor Blakely  
Motion carried 5-0

Taken out of order

**E BIDS****2 Purchase of One (1) Park Maintenance Truck in the Amount of \$33 055 00 from Thorson Motor Center**

E-2 and E-3 were reported as one A motion for both items follows below

In response to Councilmember Tom Adams inquiry David Fike Director of Public Works advised that Monrovia dealerships were notified of the requests for bids and chose not to participate in the process

The truck being replaced is a 1987 Toyota It is assigned to the Public Works Departments Park Maintenance Division This truck is used for a wide verity of park maintenance duties i e mowing and trimming of park and median lawns planting of new shrubs and lawns

Bids were solicited from ten dealers with six submitting bid proposals The following bid results include sales tax and any discounts offered

Bidder	Bid Amount
1 Thorson Motor Center	\$33 055 00
2 Clippinger Chevrolet	\$34 020 00
3 Sopp Truck Center	\$35 262 00
4 Wondries Chevrolet	\$35 560 08
5 Rio Hondo GMC/Isuzu	\$37 272 20

6 Don Kott Ford

\$39 779 73

Staff s review of Thorson Motor Centers bid proposal found them to be the lowest responsive bidder

(See below for motion for both E-2 and E-3)

**3 Purchase of Five (5) Staff Sedans in the Amount of \$94 610 50 from Chevrolet of El Monte**

Staff recommended replacing five existing vehicles which include two City Hall pool cars two Community Development Code Enforcement vehicles and one Public Works Utilities Division pool vehicle

Bids were solicited from five dealers with three submitting bid proposals The following bid results include sales tax and any discounts offered

Bidder	Bid Amount
1 Chevrolet of El Monte	\$94 610 50
2 Sopp Truck Center	\$95 175 00
3 Wondries Chevrolet	\$97 572 60

Staff s review of Chevrolet of El Monte s bid proposal found them to be the lowest responsive bidder

**After discussion it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Hammond seconded by Councilmember Adams to approve Agenda Items \*E-2 and \*E-3**

**ROLL CALL Ayes Councilmembers Adams Franco Garcia Mayor Pro Tem Hammond Mayor Blakely Motion carried 5-0**

**B MINUTES None**

**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 She also explained the new light system for the speakers stating that the green light indicated the speaker had two and a half minutes the yellow light cautioned the speaker that he/she had thirty seconds remaining and the red light indicated that the three minutes were expended She further explained that at the end of three minutes thirty seconds a bell would ring

- 1 Michael Blumenthal 224 S Heliotrope Monrovia congratulated Mayor Blakely on being named Woman of the Year and spoke in response to comments made by Irv Ruben Monrovia resident at a previous Council meeting
- 2 Cyrus Kemp 346 N Bradoaks Monrovia spoke regarding his recent suspension as a KGEM producer and claimed the suspension was fabricated
- 3 Jan Quintelier 1025 Royal Oaks Monrovia spoke against Planned Parenthood
- 4 Elwanda Fern Seelig 1025 Royal Oaks Monrovia spoke against Planned Parenthood
- 5 Tom O Connell 303 ½ S Madison Monrovia spoke in support of KGEM and they great job they are doing
- 6 Beth Buck Mountain Views Newspaper spoke regarding First Amendment violations and the Council's decision to rescind ordinance She further spoke in support of the City Council Public Access television responsibilities and freedom of speech
- 7 Karen Suarez 174 Madeline Monrovia spoke on behalf and in support of KGEM
- 8 Ann Hodgdon 143 N Mayflower Monrovia spoke against Planned Parenthood
- 9 Chuck Keen Monrovia attempted to speak regarding Agenda Item I-1 Mayor Blakely reminded him that he would have to wait until the item came up in the Agenda He said he would wait until that time and then used the remainder of his time to speak against Planned Parenthood

Mayor Blakely called a recess from 8 30 P M to 8 37 P M

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

##### **1 To be Opened and Continued to November 13 2001 Altrio Open Video Systems (OVS) Agreement Resolution No 2001-58**

A Study Session was held prior to the September 25 2001 City Council Meeting and Staff had recommended setting the date of October 9 2001 as the date for Public Hearing to receive public input on this agreement Due to time constraints the Study Session of September 25 2001 was continued to October 23 2001 To allow Council time to consider matters discussed at the Study Session Staff recommended that the Public Hearing be opened and continued to the City Council Meeting on November 13 2001

**It was moved by Councilmember Adams seconded by Councilmember Franco to open and continue the Public Hearing to the Regular City Council Meeting of November 13 2001**

**ROLL CALL** Ayes Councilmembers Adams Franco Garcia Mayor Pro Tem Hammond Mayor Blakely  
Motion carried 5-0

**Public Hearing Opened and Continued** Mayor Blakely opened and continued the Public Hearing to November 13 2001

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

**CONVENE** Chairman Lara Larramendi Blakely convened the Regular Meeting of October 23 2001 of the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors at 8 39 P M in City Council Chambers without adjourning the City Council Meeting

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

**A CONSENT CALENDAR** None

**\*B MINUTES** None

## **MRA REPORTS**

### **1 Acquisition of Real Property Located at 1733 South Magnolia Avenue From Angelina Sanchez and Irene Pinedo in the amount of \$225 000 00**

Kevin O Brien Senior Project Manager reviewed the Staff Report

The Redevelopment Agency has identified the northwest corner of Duarte Road and South Magnolia Avenue as being an excellent potential site for an affordable housing development. The Agency has previously approved the acquisition of the abandoned gas station auto repair facility and single family dwelling which also comprise the site. The subject property which is improved with two dwelling units on a single lot is the final acquisition required to complete the project.

In August 2000 the site was appraised at \$205 000 00. Given that real estate values have appreciated significantly in the 14 months since the appraisal was completed the owner has agreed to sell the property for the total consideration of \$225 000 00. By law the Agency will also be responsible for relocating the sellers of the property and two tenants who reside in the second dwelling unit.

**It was moved by Boardmember Garcia seconded by Vice-Chairman Hammond to authorize acquisition of real property located at 1733 South Magnolia Avenue in the amount of \$225 000 00 and relocate the tenants**

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Ayes Boardmembers Adams Franco Garcia Vice-Chairman Hammond and Chairman Blakely  
Motion carried 5-0**

### **2 Receive Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Sixth Amendment to the Redevelopment Plan for Project Area No 1 and Authorize Circulation Thereof Agency Resolution No 9-2001**

Kevin O Brien Senior Project Manager reviewed the Staff Report

As part of the processing of the Sixth Amendment to the Redevelopment Plan the Agency is required to receive and circulate a Draft Environmental Impact Report which provides information to the public decision-makers and other agencies concerning the proposed plan amendment and the anticipated environmental changes associated with its implementation.

Staff recommended receipt and circulation of the Draft Environmental Impact Report

Councilmember Adams asked for clarification regarding the East Myrtle omission. Mr O Brien replied that it was already in the Project area. Councilmember Garcia asked for clarification regarding the area on Myrtle and Magnolia. Mr O Brien replied that it too was already in the Project area. Mayor Blakely asked if there was anywhere the public could view a copy of the documentation. Mr O Brien replied a copy of the Draft EIR was available in the Redevelopment offices. Mayor Pro Tem Hammond further inquired whether the residents of Evergreen were all in agreement. Mr O Brien stated two had questions but were now satisfied with the answers and were in complete agreement.

**It was moved by Boardmember Franco seconded by Vice-Chairman Hammond to approve Resolution No 9-2001 authorizing the receipt and circulation of the Draft Environmental Impact Report**

**ROLL CALL**

**Ayes Boardmembers Adams Franco Garcia Vice-Chairman  
Hammond and Chairman Blakely  
Motion carried 5-0**

**ADJOURN** Chairman Blakely adjourned the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency Meeting at 8 52 P M and the City Council Meeting continued

**RECONVENE MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL MEETING****E BIDS****1 Purchase of Geographic Information System Computer Software and Los Angeles County Data in the Amount of \$48 880 00 from Geographic Data and Management Solutions (GDMS) Continued to a Future Meeting**

Mitch Cochran Information Systems Manager reviewed the Staff Report

The City desires to purchase Geographical Information System (GIS) software and data GIS systems provide the capability to map and analyze data based on location or geographic information

The City has chosen to standardize on Environmental Systems Research Institute's ArcGIS family of software The City will be purchasing data from Los Angeles County and developing other data internally The City wants to develop applications that include parcel information emergency management special needs residents tree inventory and 3-Dimensional models of areas of the City to name a few

In response to Mayor Blakely's question Mr Cochran replied that the information was currently available on the Internet for example through Metroscan and available to the public

In answer to an inquiry by Councilmember Franco Mr Cochran replied that the Staff members of Community Development Planning and Building Departments would have access to this new data

Councilmember Garcia inquired whether the software would be able to show proposed buildings as well He further inquired if EISR was the only vendor Mr Cochran replied that Staff would have the ability to input or remove current buildings to show proposed development He further replied that EISR has the best product and works well with other programs currently being used in City Hall

Councilmember Adams inquired how much it would be to purchase the data from Los Angeles County and asked if this information was information we had originally supplied them Mr Cochran replied that LA County was charging \$27 000 00 and this was our information Councilmember Adams further stated that it seemed unreasonable for Los Angeles County to charge us for information they get from us in the first place

**It was moved by Councilmember Adams to not approve the purchase but to go back and try to work out something with LA County The motion died for a lack of second**

City Manager Don Hopper suggested our elected officials might be in a better position to meet with an elected Assessor Councilmembers suggested Councilmember Adams meet with the County Assessor

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Hammond seconded by Councilmember Garcia to continue this item to a future meeting until there have been discussions with the Assessors' Office regarding negotiating a better price

**ROLL CALL** Ayes Councilmembers Adams Franco Garcia Mayor Pro Tem Hammond Mayor Blakely  
Motion carried 5-0

**2 Purchase of One (1) Park Maintenance Truck in the Amount of \$33 055 00 from Thorson Motor Center**

This matter taken out of order following the Consent Calendar and discussed with E-3 (see above)

**3 Purchase of Five (5) Staff Sedans in the Amount of \$94 610 50 from Chevrolet of El Monte**

This matter taken out of order following the Consent Calendar and discussed with E-2 (see above)

**F COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

**\*1 Denial of Liability Claim Gloria Fasana vs City of Monrovia**

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for inclusion at a future meeting to allow clarification from Staff

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

**1 Councilmember Franco reported that**

- (a) He attended an Octoberfest event hosted by the Monrovia Historical Museum on October 20
- (b) The Boys & Girls Club would again be hosting a Haunted House at the Armory on October 26 and 27 and discount coupons were available at The Dollmakers and the Boys & Girls Club
- (c) Make A Difference Day was scheduled for Saturday October 27 and he hoped everyone would turn out for this worthwhile event

**2 Councilmember Adams reported that**

- (a) Mitch Cochran was the guidance behind the upcoming Rotary Haunted House at the Armory It was through his hard work and dedication that this event was such a success year after year

**3 Mayor Pro Tem Hammond reported that**

- (a) Children are watching City Council Meetings and are aware of government in Monrovia thanks to Mr Medina Monrovia High School He further offered his thanks and gratitude for Mr Medina s dedication to his students
- (b) The VFW in concert with the Ladies Auxiliary would be holding an annual Veteran s Day Memorial on Saturday November 10 at the Library Park Bandshell

**4 Councilmember Garcia reported that**

- (a) He would be attending the All-Commission/Board Dinner on Wednesday October 24 and wanted to take an opportunity to thank all the Commissioners and Boardmembers for all their time and efforts in everything they do for the community

**5 Mayor Blakely reported that**

- (a) The recent Blood Drive held on Friday October 12 2001 was a success Their original goal of 65 pints was almost met Seventy-one people came out to donate and were able to donate 62 pints
- (b) The San Gabriel and Lower Rivers Mountain Conservancy held a joint meeting to adopt a Memorandum of Understanding
- (c) On Monday October 15 2001 a joint City Council/Planning Commission meeting was held to discuss the Blue Line extension This was the beginning of the public notification process and request for input of the line from Pasadena to Claremont It's estimated Pasadena will open Spring 2003 with Phase II to be completed in 2008
- (d) She would be in Sacramento on behalf of SGVCOG to offer public testimony to the PUC

**H REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES****1 Oral Report from Wilderness Preserve Steering Committee Status on Appraisal/Negotiation Hillside Property Owners – Wildlife Conservation Board Grant Application**

(See H-2 below for motion for both H-1 and H-2)

Gloria Crudginton Co-chair of the Wilderness Preserve Steering Committee presented the report

In a special election on July 11 2000 the residents of Monrovia voted to tax themselves to raise approximately \$10 million for the purchase of the undeveloped privately owned Monrovia hillside that abuts the Angeles National Forest

The \$10 million dollars was never envisioned as the total dollar amount needed to buy the entire 600 acres of privately owned property but was to serve as the matching funds to pursue state federal and private foundation grants

The City is pursuing matching funds under the Governor's Challenge Grant program administered by the State of California Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

The application for funding under the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) grant program has been submitted The process to date is summarized as follows

- WCB application submitted along with appraisals (1<sup>st</sup> round of appraisals) authorized by the City for 12 hillside properties
- Appraisals reviewed and approved by the State Department of General Services
- Offers made to property owners based on State approved appraisals
- Property owners reject appraisal value and are given opportunity to have their own appraisals prepared
- Hearing before WCB postponed to give property owners opportunity to submit appraisals
- Property owner appraisals (2nd round of appraisals) submitted and appraisals are deemed by the State to be inadequate for 5 of the 7 appraisals submitted Densities used in the appraisals are not consistent with the densities approved by the voters

Mayor Pro Tem Hammond asked that this item and the following be taken concurrently since Ms Crudginton was already at the podium He further asked that the motion for the following item include an MIA Appraiser There were no objections





**J ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS****1 Zone Change ZC2001-02 to Hillside Wilderness Preserve for the Wright and Dunbar Properties Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No 2001-16**

This was the second reading and final adoption of Ordinance No 2001-16 regarding Zone Change ZC2001-02 Staff continued to recommend approval of this ordinance

It was moved by Councilmember Adams seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hammond to read by title only Ordinance No 2001-16 As there were no objections City Attorney Michael G Colantuono read as follows

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA CALIFORNIA AMENDING TITLE 17 (ZONING) SECTION 17 04 040 THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE MONROVIA MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED ZONING**

It was moved by Councilmember Adams seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hammond to adopt Ordinance No 2001-16

**ROLL CALL**

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

**\*K PAYROLL & VOUCHERS** Payroll No 21 in the net amount of \$388 474 63 and Voucher Numbers 98074 through 98364 non-sequentially in the amount of \$712 644 09 were approved by order of the Consent Calendar

**L SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

An All-Commission/Board Special Dinner Meeting with the Monrovia City Council is scheduled for Wednesday October 24 2001 Dinner at 5 45 P M Meeting at 7 30 P M Monrovia Historical Museum 742 East Lemon Avenue Monrovia California

The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council is scheduled for Tuesday November 13 2001 7 30 P M City Council Chambers 415 South Ivy Avenue Monrovia California

**M ORAL COMMUNICATIONS IF NEEDED None**

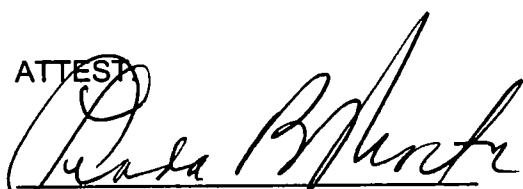
**N CLOSED SESSION** Mayor Blakely announced that a conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation Government Code §54956 9(a) Stephen Bench vs City of Monrovia would be rescheduled to the next City Council meeting

**O ADJOURN** At 9 59 P M Mayor Blakely adjourned the meeting in memory of long time resident Beulah Richards and husband of long-time employee and Finance Director Linda Dempsey of Monrovia Unified School District David Dempsey

APPROVED

  
Lara Larramendi Blakely Mayor

ATTEST

  
Linda B Proctor CMC City Clerk

