

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL
HELD TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2013, 7:30 P.M.**

CLOSED SESSION: Mayor Lutz convened the Closed Session Meeting of the Monrovia City Council at 7:01 p.m. on Tuesday, May 21, 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 Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code §54957.6; Agency Negotiator: Danielle Tellez; Group Employees: Monrovia Firefighters Association and Monrovia Police Officers Association; and CS-2 Conference with Legal Counsel, Initiation of Litigation, pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(4); One (1) Potential Case.

CONVENE: Mayor Lutz convened the Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council of Tuesday, May 21, 2013, at 7:39 p.m. in City Council Chambers. In attendance were City Manager Laurie Lile, City Attorney Craig Steele, and City Clerk Alice D. Atkins.

INVOCATION: Pastor Alena Uhamaka

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilmember Tom Adams 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 there was no reportable action related to the items discussed as posted on the Closed Session agenda.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

PR-1 Recognition of Community Members for Their Support of the Firefighting Operations during the Madison: Fire Chief Chris Donovan assisted the Mayor and City Council in recognizing local businesses and members of the community for providing vital support to the firefighting operations during the Madison Fire.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Acting Student Liaison Nick Miranda reviewed past and future events at the high school.

ORDER OF BUSINESS: City Manager Laurie Lile stated that Administrative Reports item AR-2 would be continued to the next meeting to allow for proper noticing of the item. Mayor Lutz stated that she would move the Gold Line Construction Update under her report to be heard following the Consent Calendar.

CONSENT CALENDAR: It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, seconded by Councilmember Spicer, to approve the consent calendar. With Councilmember Adams abstaining from item CC-1, and Councilmember Blackburn abstaining from items CC-3 and CC-4, the motion carried unanimously. The Consent Calendar consisted of the following Agenda items:

CC-1 Unadopted Minutes of the May 7, 2013, Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council: The City Council adopted the Minutes of the May 7, 2013, Regular Meeting.

CC-2 Payroll No. 10 in the Net Amount of \$572,278.42, and Voucher Nos. 182911 through 183114 (Checks) and 470 through 475 (EFT) in the Total Amount of \$573,548.07: The City Council approved Payroll No. 10 in the net amount of \$572,278.42, and Voucher Nos. 182911 through 183114 (Checks) and 470 through 475 (EFT) in the total amount of \$573,548.07

CC-3 Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Citywide Lighting and Landscaping Maintenance Assessment District; Approval of Engineer's Report, Resolution No 2013-25; and Intention of Public Hearing on June 18, 2013, Resolution No. 2013-26: The City Council adopted Resolution Nos. 2013-25 and 2013-26.

CC-4 Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Park Maintenance Assessment District; Approval of Engineer's Report, Resolution No 2013-27; and Intention of Public Hearing on June 18, 2013, Resolution No. 2013-28. The City Council adopted Resolution Nos. 2013-27 and 2013-28.

CC-5 Security Services Agreement with United Security, Inc., DBA Patriot Protection Services, for the Period Ending December 31, 2013. The City Council approved an agreement with United Security, Inc., DBA Patriot Protection Services, for Security Guard Services for the period ending December 31, 2013, and authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

CC-6 Acceptance of Additional FEMA Grant Funds in the Amount of \$10,000.00 from Verdugo Dispatch, Including an Additional 20% Matching Funds Expenditure in the Amount of 2,000.00 for Installation of a Pre-Alert Dispatch System by Westnet: The City Council accepted additional FEMA Grant Funds from Verdugo Dispatch in the amount of \$10,000.00, approved an additional 20% matching funds expenditure in the amount of \$2,000.00 for installation of a pre-alert dispatch system by Westnet, and authorized the Fire Chief to execute the necessary documents

CC-7 Police Department Vehicle Maintenance by Parking Company of America Management LLC for the Period Ending June 30, 2014, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$90,000.00: The City Council authorized Police Department vehicle maintenance by Parking Company of America Management LLC for the Period Ending June 30, 2014, in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00.

The following was taken out of order:

RCC-1 Mayor Mary Ann Lutz

(b) Update on Gold Line Foothill Extension: Habib Balian, Chief Executive Officer of the Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority, provided an update, including an overview of the construction schedule and planned street closures, and commented on the recent water main break related to construction activities at California Avenue and Duarte Road.

Public Input:

1. Gwendolyn Jones, Monrovia

Councilmember Spicer announced that he would be leaving tonight's meeting early, due to a late flight to the Neighborhoods USA Conference.

PUBLIC INPUT:

1. Pam Fitzpatrick, Old Town Merchants
2. Hector Elizalde, Veterans and Military Liaison and Representative of Congresswoman Grace Napolitano
3. Gwendolyn Jones, Monrovia
4. Chuck Keen, American Legion Post 44

Mayor Lutz directed City Manager Lile to look into concerns raised related to the construction project at 314 South Myrtle Avenue.

Councilmember Spicer was excused and exited Council Chambers at 8:33 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS / MEETINGS:

PH-1 Vesting Tentative Parcel Map VTPM72052/Conditional Use Permit CUP2013-12 for a 154-Unit Multi-Family Development with a Commercial Storefront at 1110 and 1212 South Fifth Avenue by Lincoln Property Company Southwest, Inc., Applicant, Resolution No. 2013-19; Amendment to the Land Use Element of the General Plan (GPA2013-03), Resolution No. 2013-20; Adoption of the 5th & Huntington Specific Plan, Resolution No. 2013-21; Adoption of Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, Resolution No. 2013-22; and Zone Change ZC2013-02 Amending the Zoning Designation from RCM (Retail Corridor Mixed-Use) to SP

(Specific Plan) and an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to Include the 5th & Huntington Specific Plan, Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 2013-03

Craig Jimenez, Planning Division Manager reviewed the Agenda Report and responded to questions from the City Council, including the percentage of mixed-use, parking requirements, traffic studies, solid waste site plan, Art in Public Places fee, the incorporation of the City of Arcadia and Los Angeles County Flood Control District concerns into the conditions of approval, and estimated property tax revenue.

Mayor Lutz opened the Public Hearing.

Public Input:

1. Jason Silver, Project Manager for the Applicant, and Kevin Clark, Lincoln Property Company, spoke in support of the project and answered questions raised regarding sustainability and LEEDS certification, anticipated lease amounts, long-term management plans, property maintenance, retail component, and parking concerns.
2. Gwendolyn Jones, Monrovia, raised concerns with sufficient parking.

Mayor Lutz Closed the Public Hearing.

Following discussion, it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, seconded by Councilmember Blackburn, to adopt Resolution Nos. 2013-19, 2013-20, 2013-21, and 2013-22; and to introduce, read by title only, and waive further reading of Ordinance No. 2013-03. The motion carried on the following vote: AYES: Councilmember Blackburn, Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, Mayor Lutz. NOES: Councilmember Adams. ABSENT: Councilmember Spicer.

City Attorney Steele read the title of Ordinance No. 2013-03 as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING ZONE CHANGE ZC2013-02 AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP SET FORTH IN SECTION 17.04.040 TO CHANGE RCM (RETAIL CORRIDOR MIXED USE) TO THE SP (SPECIFIC PLAN) ZONE DESIGNATION AND AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ADD THE 5th & HUNTINGTON SPECIFIC PLAN TO SECTION 17.04.035 OF TITLE 17 (ZONING) OF THE MONROVIA MUNICIPAL CODE FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1110 AND 1212 SOUTH FIFTH AVENUE (APN'S 8507-008-012, 039 and 040)

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCILMEMBERS & SUB-COMMITTEES

RCC-1 Mayor Mary Ann Lutz:

- (a) Recent attendance with Councilmember Blackburn and Staff at the International Conference of Shopping Centers.
- (b) Update on Gold Line Foothill Extension: This item was heard out of order following Consent Calendar above.
- (c) Recent award of a 10-year contract by Jet Propulsion Laboratory to local business ITT Exelis
- (d) Upcoming Memorial Day event at Live Oaks Cemetery
- (e) Recent article alleging the City of Monrovia was at risk of bankruptcy; Administrative Services Director Mark Alvarado explained the downgrade of bond rating by Standard & Poors and subsequent bankruptcy speculation, the result of circumstances involving the elimination of redevelopment, temporary delays in re-issuance of agency bonds, and a \$106 million lawsuit, which had been resolved. A new bond issue or request for re-evaluation of the rating would likely result in an upgrade. Above all, Monrovia was not at risk of bankruptcy.

RCC-2 Mayor Pro Tem Becky A. Shevlin

- (a) Fountain to the Falls Run/Walk and Fitness Expo; April Soash, Director of Community Services, and Jennifer McLain, Management Assistant, provided a recap of the successful events.
- (b) Attendance at the San Gabriel Valley Civic Alliance 3rd Annual Sector Awards Luncheon, where Mayor Lutz was honored in the category of Government
- (c) Upcoming Summer Reading Club
- (d) Recent appointment to the Foothill Transit Executive Board and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Commission for Children and Families
- (e) Margaret Lueders' 100th Birthday

RCC-3 Councilmember Tom Adams had no report

RCC-4 Councilmember Alexander C. Blackburn:

(a) Recent attendance at the International Conference of Shopping Centers with Mayor Lutz and Staff

RCC-5 Councilmember Larry J. Spicer was excused.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

AR-1 Memorandum of Understanding by and among Cities of Arcadia, Azusa, Bradbury, Duarte, Monrovia, and Sierra Madre, and County of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Flood Control District Relating to the Administration and Cost Sharing for the Development of the Enhanced Watershed Management Program for the Rio Hondo/San Gabriel River Water Quality Group; and Authorization to File a Notice of Intent with the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control

Heather Maloney, Senior Management Analyst, reviewed the Agenda Report.

It was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Shevlin, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding by and among Cities of Arcadia, Azusa, Bradbury, Duarte, Monrovia, and Sierra Madre, and County of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Flood Control District relating to the administration and cost sharing for the development of the enhanced watershed management program for the Rio Hondo/San Gabriel River Water Quality Group; direct the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding; and direct Staff to prepare and submit a Notice of Intent to the LARWQCB. The motion carried unanimously.

AR-2 Appeal of Historic Preservation Commission Decision Regarding Property Located at 535 West Lemon Avenue; Steve Seidner, Appellant

This item was continued to the June 4, 2013, Regular Meeting.

AR-3 Agreement with FilmL.A., Inc., for Film Permitting Services for the Initial Period of July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014

Steve Sizemore, Director of Community Development, reviewed the Agenda Report. Donna Washington, Vice President of Permit Operations for FilmL.A. was on hand to answer questions.

Following discussion focused on how FilmLA would work with staff and the Old Town film liaison, and the protocol for handling complaints, Staff was directed to bring the item back with a more detailed exhibit to the agreement, including the City's filming guidelines.

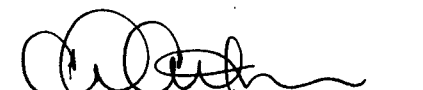
PUBLIC INPUT, CONTINUED, IF NEEDED: None.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED:

SCHEDULED MEETINGS: The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council was scheduled for Tuesday, June 4, 2013, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California.

ADJOURNMENT: At 11:05 p.m., Mayor Lutz adjourned the meeting in memory of Lois Brooks, longtime Monrovia resident; Fannie Louise Holden, mother of Assemblymember Chris Holden; Anna Busse, longtime Monrovia resident and active community member; and Victims of the recent tornado in Oklahoma.

ATTEST:



Alice D. Atkins, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED:



Mary Ann Lutz, Mayor