

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL
HELD TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2008, 7:30 P.M.**

CONVENE: Mayor Rob Hammond convened the Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council of Tuesday, May 20, 2008, at 7:38 P.M., preceded by a Budget Study Session, 5.22 P M (at which all members were in attendance with the exception of Mayor Pro Tem Kirby who was excused), and Salute to Service Program, 7 13 P.M (at which all members were in attendance). In attendance were City Manager Scott Ochoa, City Attorney Craig A Steele and City Clerk Linda B. Proctor.

INVOCATION: Pastor Ulises Gutierrez led the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilmember Tom Adams led the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL: In attendance were Councilmembers Tom Adams, Joe Garcia, Mary Ann Lutz, Mayor Pro Tem Dan Kirby, and Mayor Rob Hammond

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

PR-1 Introduction of Anthony Cardenal, United States Air Force; Proclaiming May 21, 2008 as "Anthony Cardenal Day" in the City of Monrovia: Mayor Hammond and the City Council presented Anthony Cardenal, United States Air Force, with his Blue Star Banner and proclaim May 21, 2008, as "Anthony Cardenal Day" in the City of Monrovia in honor of his service to his country.

PR-2 Introduction of Petty Officer 3rd Class Pablo Flores Rodriguez, United States Navy; Proclaiming May 22, 2008 as "Pablo Flores Rodriguez Day" in the City of Monrovia: This item was rescheduled for a subsequent meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Hammond called upon Roger Johnson for a FBI crime report which showed a 6 4% reduction in crime for last year and a 3% reduction this year over last year

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Student Liaison Rachel Jamieson was not in attendance

CONSENT CALENDAR: It was moved by Councilmember Lutz, seconded by Councilmember Garcia, to approve the Consent Calendar. Mayor Hammond and Councilmember Adams abstained from voting on the Minutes There were no objections.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following Agenda items.

CC-1 Unadopted Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 6, 2008 and Special Closed Session Meeting of April 15, 2008 of the Monrovia City Council

CC-2 Payroll No. 10 in the Amount of \$747,141.64 and Voucher Nos. 151000 through 151263 in the Amount of \$1,230,379.55

CC-3 Colorado Commons Street Improvement Project No. C-3006, Acceptance of Work, Approve Change Orders in the Amount of \$44,035.97, Notice of Completion, and Final Payment to All American Asphalt in the Amount of \$92,241.19 for a Total Project Amount of \$694,035.97: The project included demolition of existing curbs, gutters and sidewalks, installation of new sidewalk with 30" standard scored squares, decorative stamped concrete at the intersections, decorative street lighting, new landscaping, irrigation, new asphalt pavement overlay, signage and striping The decorative lights were previously purchased and were not included in this project On November 20, 2007, the City Council awarded a contract to All American Asphalt in the amount of \$650,000 00. The work began in December 2007 and was completed in March 2008 The final construction cost based upon actual quantities, change orders for unforeseen conditions, and additional work requested by the City was not in the original contract, and increased the amount by \$44,035.97. This increased the project costs by 6 7%,

which was within the industry standards for a project of this magnitude. Funds for this project were being provided by the Capital Improvement Fund.

CC-4 Legislative Update: This report highlighted and summarized pending State legislation that could be important to Monrovia and provided a brief analysis of the potential impacts to the City. The recommendations made by Staff reflected the City's priorities and programs, as well as the direction taken by the League of California Cities and were as follows. Support: AB642, AB2780, AB1846, AB2594, Oppose: AB1985, AB2754, SB1296, SB1338, SB1020, AB2676.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Dorothy Percy, Monrovia Police Department
2. Wendy Martinez, Monrovia Police Department
3. April Kelcy, Monrovia business owner
4. Justin Crawford, Monrovia
5. Kathy Reese McNeil, Monrovia business owner and resident
6. Debra Elliott, Monrovia
7. Walt Shelley, Monrovia
8. Cyrus Kemp, Monrovia

PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS:

The following Public Hearings were taken as one item:

PH-1 Historic Landmark HL-121 and Mills Act Contract MA-115 for the Property Located at 123 South Heliotrope by Ann L. Reynolds, Applicant, Resolution No. 2008-19

Alice Griselle, Director of Community Development, reviewed the Staff Report.

This one-story, 1,266 square foot Craftsman bungalow was built in 1913. It was capped by a cross-gabled roof and sheathed in clapboard siding.

The applicant also requested approval of a Mills Act Contract, which would provide a reduction in the property tax for the homeowner and in the City not realizing approximately \$351.00 per year in property tax revenues. The County Tax Assessor would determine the exact amount after the contract was recorded and processed.

At its meeting of April 23, 2008, the Historic Preservation Commission determined that the house met Criteria No. 4 (Architecture) and voted unanimously to recommend approval of Historic Landmark status and execution of a Mills Act Contract.

PH-2 Historic Landmark HL-122 and Mills Act Contract MA-116 for the Property Located at 236 East Foothill Boulevard by Nathan L. Tilleman, Applicant, Resolution No. 2008-20

Alice Griselle, Director of Community Development, reviewed the Staff Report.

This 1,852 square foot, two-story home was built in 1906. The house was in good condition as seen from public view so the set standards and conditions would be applied and monitored through the bi-annual review.

The applicant also requested approval of a Mills Act Contract, which would provide a reduction in the property tax for the homeowner and in the City not realizing approximately \$957.00 per year in property tax revenues. The County Tax Assessor would determine the exact amount after the contract was recorded and processed.

At its meeting of April 23, 2008, the Historic Preservation Commission determined that the house met Criteria No. 4 (Architecture) and voted unanimously to recommend approval of Historic Landmark status and execution of a Mills Act Contract.

MRA ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Hammond adjourned the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency Meeting at 8 24 P M and the City Council Meeting continued.

RECONVENE MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL MEETING

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCILMEMBERS AND SUBCOMMITTEES:

RCC1 Mayor Hammond reported that:

(a) He explained that a certain level of respect was needed for negotiations; the MPOA billboard was like hitting you over the head and it made it difficult, but not impossible, to come to the table to negotiate dispassionately; there was no group of people, save for the Police Department, that wanted the issue settled, with all of the negotiation tactics, talks will continue, and at the end of the day its all about dollars and cents. He assured a prior speaker that they were as safe now as they were last September because the men and women of the Monrovia Police Department are professionals; negotiations had not been about safety but about a paycheck.

(b) State Budget Update at his request, City Manager Ochoa gave a brief update regarding the State Budget.

RCC2 Mayor Pro Tem Kirby reported that:

(a) He asked City Manager Ochoa to address the concerns raised by a prior speaker with respect to handling of 9-1-1 calls and urged residents to bring unresolved issues to light sooner rather than later so that they can be addressed promptly. He also asked City Manager Ochoa to clarify a recent rescheduling of negotiations and confirm that negotiations had at no time been refused. He opined that it is the Council's desire to negotiate a contract, that it takes willingness from both sides to do so, and there are many financial impacts to consider as an entire entity.

RCC3 Councilmember Adams reported that

(a) He took issue with Robert Parry's remarks from the last meeting with respect to allegations of blogging which purportedly occurred from an Adams & Barnes IP address, especially took offense to comments made regarding Sgt. Verna, offered to open the network to anyone who wanted to see it and challenged Mr Parry to do the same with his blog.

RCC4 Councilmember Garcia had no report.

RCC5 Councilmember Lutz reported that

(a) Summer Concerts in the Park: At her request, Community Service Director April Soash reported that the Sunday Summer Concerts will be held in Recreation Park at the west end beginning on June 15, 2008, and continue through August 17, 2008.

REPORTS OF STAFF MEMBERS: There were none.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: None

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council was scheduled for Tuesday, June 3, 2008, 7.30 P.M., City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California, preceded by a Study Session to discuss the 2008-09 Fiscal Year Budget Goals and Initiatives, 5:00 P.M.

PUBLIC INPUT, CONTINUED, IF NEEDED None

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED: None

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION: At 8:46 P M , Mayor Hammond announced that the following item would be discussed in Closed Session, and that the City Council would return to Council Chambers to announce the results and close the Meeting in memory of Vera (Bea) Stueve, Long-Time Business Owner and Resident; Nellie Diaz, Mother-in-Law of Community Development Division Manager Chon Cervantes, Bill Quinn, Long-Time Resident, Chester Zisk, Long-Time Resident, and Alberto Cervantes,

Father of Community Development Division Manager Chon Cervantes; Dr. Alberta Amend, Long-Time Business Owner and champion of the Boys & Girls Club; and, Henry Brijil, Father of Receptionist Laura Horn.

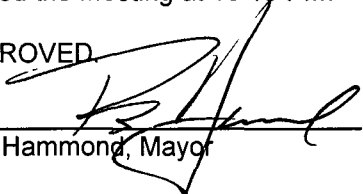
ACS-1 Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code §54957.6, Agency Negotiator Theresa St Peter, Group Employees: All Groups

RECONVENE AND REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION: Closed Session began at 8:50 P.M and ended at 10 15 P.M. City Attorney Steele reported that No reportable action was taken on the following matters:


RCS-1 Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code §54957 6; Agency Negotiator Theresa St Peter, Group Employees: All Groups

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Hammond adjourned the Meeting at 10 15 P.M

APPROVED


Rob Hammond, Mayor

ATTEST


Linda B Proctor, MMC, City Clerk