

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL  
HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2006 7:30 P.M.**

**CONVENE:** Mayor Rob Hammond convened the Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council of Tuesday, November 7, 2006 at 7:30 P.M. in City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California in honor of Monrovia's latest newborn Benjamin Gabriel McGinnis, son of Amy and Kirk McGinnis, born October 6, 2006, preceded by a Closed Session to conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code §54957.6. Agency Negotiator: Theresa St. Peter; Group Employees: All Groups, at which all City Councilmembers were in attendance. Staff in attendance was City Manager Scott Ochoa, City Attorney Craig A. Steele and City Clerk Linda B. Proctor.

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

**INVOCATION:** City Clerk Linda B. Proctor presented the Invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Pro Tem Mary Ann Lutz led the Flag Salute.

**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION:** Mayor Hammond reported that the City Council had met in Closed Session to conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code §54957.6. Agency Negotiator: Theresa St. Peter; Group Employees: All Groups, and took no reportable action.

**PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

**PR-1 Proclaiming a Welcome Home from Iraq for Monrovia Resident David M. Linell, Private First Class, United States Army:** Mayor Hammond and the City Council presented David M. Linell with his Blue Star Banner and American flag, in recognition of his service to our country.

**PR-2 Proclaiming November 8, 2006 as "Bill Couch Day" in Recognition of his 25 Years of Police Service:** The City of Monrovia and the Monrovia Police Department recognized the retirement of Officer William "Bill" Couch and his twenty-five (25) years of unselfish devotion and commitment to the City, Police Department, and our community by proclaiming November 8, 2006 to be "Bill Couch Day." Officer Couch was not in attendance. The Proclamation would be awarded to him at his retirement dinner November 8, 2006 at the Krikorian Theater.

**PR-3 Introduction of Newly Hired Police Communications Operators, Sarah Bushmeyer, Kathleen Smith, Christina Burton, Christal Stubbe and Police Officer William "Cody" Wilkins:** Police Captain Rick Miglia introduced newly hired Police Communications Operators Sara Bushmeyer, Kathleen Smith, Cristina Burton, Christal Stubbe, and Police Officer Cody Wilkins to the Mayor, City Council and the community.

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:** Student Liaison Rachel Jamieson reported on activities at Monrovia High School.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** It was moved by Councilmember Garcia, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lutz, to approve the Consent Calendar. Councilmember Kirby abstained on Item CC-1 as he had not been in attendance at that Meeting. There were no objections: The Consent Calendar consisted of the following Agenda items:

**CC-1 Unadopted Minutes of the October 17, 2006 Regular Meeting**

**CC-2 Payroll Nos. 21 and 22 in the Amounts of \$495,422.47 and \$536,481.24 respectively, and Voucher Nos. 139782 through 140133 in the Amount of \$1,366,966.42**

**CC-3 Denial of Liability Claim; CR Stelling Insurance (Elsa Flores) vs. City of Monrovia:**

CR Stelling Insurance alleged that on September 26, 2006, the alleyway that provided the entryway into the business was blocked by trash debris. They also alleged that the City was notified and they ended up hiring someone to remove the trash.

A private trash hauler was responsible for the removal of trash from the trash bins located adjacent to the alleyway in question. As such, the City was covered as an additional insured on the trash hauler's insurance. Therefore, the City bore no responsibility in this matter. Claimant sought \$180.00 in damages.

**CC-4 Set for Public Hearing on November 21, 2006; Historic Landmark HL-102/Mills Act Contract MA-96 for the Property Located at 619 West Hillcrest Boulevard by Property Owners Ed and Cheryl Dunbar:** On October 25, 2006, the Historic Preservation Commission held a Public Hearing to review an application for historic landmark designation and approval of a Mills Act Contract for the property at 619 West Hillcrest Boulevard. At the close of the Public Hearing, the Commission determined that the property met two of the required criteria for designation (#1 - Prominent person, #4 - Architecture) and recommended approval of the applications to the City Council.

**CC-5 Set for Public Hearing on November 21, 2006; Historic Landmark HL-103/Mills Act Contract MA-97 for the Property Located at 163 Melrose Avenue by Property Owners Ryan and Karen Lepke:** On October 25, 2006, the Historic Preservation Commission held a Public Hearing to review an application for historic landmark designation and approval of a Mills Act Contract for the property at 163 Melrose Avenue. At the close of the Public Hearing, the Commission determined that the property met one of the required criteria for designation (#4 - Architecture) and recommended approval of the applications to the City Council.

**CC-6 Set for Public Hearing on November 21, 2006; Historic Landmark HL-104/Mills Act Contract MA-98 for the Property Located at 209 South Mountain Avenue by Property Owner Peter Sierra:** On October 25, 2006, the Historic Preservation Commission held a Public Hearing to review an application for historic landmark designation and approval of a Mills Act Contract for the property at 209 South Mountain Avenue. At the close of the Public Hearing, the Commission determined that the property met two of the required criteria for designation and recommended approval of the applications to the City Council.

**CC-7 Set for Public Hearing on November 21, 2006; Historic Landmark HL-105/Mills Act Contract MA-99 for the Property Located at 220 North Encinitas Avenue by Property Owner Kristine Kelly:** On October 25, 2006, the Historic Preservation Commission held a Public Hearing to review an application for historic landmark designation and approval of a Mills Act Contract for the property at 220 North Encinitas Avenue. At the close of the Public Hearing, the Commission determined that the property met one of the required criteria for designation and recommended approval of the applications to the City Council.

**CC-8 Set for Public Hearing on November 21, 2006; Historic Landmark HL-106/Mills Act Contract MA-100 for the Property Located at 252 Aspen Drive by Property Owners Edward and Diane Carlile:** On October 25, 2006, the Historic Preservation Commission held a Public Hearing to review an application for historic landmark designation and approval of a Mills Act Contract for the property at 252 Aspen Drive. At the close of the Public Hearing, the Commission determined that the property met one of the required criteria for designation (#4 - Architecture) and recommended approval of the applications to the City Council.

**CC-9 Set for Public Hearing on November 21, 2006; Historic Landmark HL-107/Mills Act Contract MA-101 for the Property Located at 311 East Lemon Avenue by Property Owners Renata and Kevin Towner:** On October 25, 2006, the Historic Preservation Commission held a Public Hearing to review an application for historic landmark designation and approval of a Mills Act Contract for the property at 311 East Lemon Avenue. At the close of the Public Hearing, the Commission determined that the property met two of the required criteria for designation and recommended approval of the applications to the City Council.

**CC-10 Amendment of the Bylaws of the Monrovia Wilderness Preserve Foundation, Inc., and Appoint Mayor Rob Hammond and Mayor Pro Tem Mary Ann Lutz to the Board of Directors:** The Monrovia Wilderness Preserve Foundation, Inc., met in May, June and September to discuss the purpose statement and the issue of changing the composition of the Board of Directors. In September, the Board discussed the fact that the Community Services Commission was currently dealing with the creation of a Management Plan for the Preserve and served as the oversight commission for Canyon Park. There was a natural synergy between the Commission and Board as they both would have history of the Hillside Wilderness Preserve, Canyon Park, the management plan, and projects and programs associated with the entire area. While the Board felt that the Community Services Commissioners would be the best choice for Boardmembers, they directed the secretary to query the Council regarding retaining their two positions on the Board.

At the August 1, 2006 City Council meeting, the council unanimously voted to advise the Foundation Board to include two council member representatives or individuals appointed by them on the Board. At the September 28, 2006 meeting, the Monrovia Wilderness Preserve Foundation Directors approved, amended and adopted as restated the Articles of Incorporation by changing the purpose statement.

The Board also amended the Bylaws to change the board of directors to the same members as the Community Services Commission and retained the two council positions, but added that the positions could also be filled with the council person's appointee.

Staff recommended that the two City Council director positions be filled by Mayor Hammond and the current liaison to the Community Services Commission, Mayor Pro Tem Mary Ann Lutz.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS:** None

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

**MRA CONVENE:** Chairman Rob Hammond convened the Regular Meeting of November 7, 2006 of the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors at 7:50 P.M. in City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, without adjourning the City Council Meeting.

**MRA ROLL CALL:** Those in attendance were Boardmembers Tom Adams, Joe Garcia, Dan Kirby, Vice-Chairman Mary Ann Lutz, and Chairman Rob Hammond.

**MRA CONSENT CALENDAR:** It was moved by Boardmember Adams, seconded by Boardmember Garcia, to adopt the Consent Calendar. Boardmember Kirby abstained as he had not been in attendance at the Meeting. There were no objections. The Consent Calendar consisted of the following Agenda item:

**MRA CC-1:** The unadopted Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency of October 17, 2006, were approved by order of the Consent Calendar.

**MRA CC-2 Extend the License Agreement with Bethel A.M.E. Church of Monrovia Inc. for Property Located at 148 West Lime Avenue for Use as Temporary Public Parking**

The Agency requested authorization to extend the License Agreement with Bethel A.M.E. Church of Monrovia Inc. whereby the Agency would lease the lot located at 148 West Lime Avenue for use as temporary public parking during the construction of the Colorado Commons condominium project

With the holiday season approaching and the commencement of the Barratt development, tentatively scheduled for spring 2007, an increased demand for parking in Old Town was anticipated. The proposed agreement with A.M.E Church would allow for public use of its parking lot without restriction Monday through Friday and after 5 p.m. on Saturday, on a month to month basis. The use of this parking lot would be restricted on Sunday, so as to not interfere with church services. The total monthly cost under the lease was \$2,000.00.

**MRA PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS:** There were none.

**MRA REPORTS:** There were no reports

**MRA ADJOURNMENT:** Chairman Hammond adjourned the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency Meeting at 7.52 P M. and the City Council Meeting continued.

**REPORTS OF CITY COUNCILMEMBERS AND SUBCOMMITTEES:**

**RCC-1: Mayor Hammond** reported that:

(a) **Appointment of Communitywide Parking Study Ad Hoc Committee:** He asked that each City Councilmember submit names of two people at the next City Council Meeting who would be able to attend neighborhood meetings regarding all of the parking issues, to subsequently submit findings to the City Council.

(b) A Veteran's Day program was scheduled for November 11, 2006, 11:00 A.M., at Library Park provided by the Allied Veteran's Council. He invited all to attend.

(c) The all Commission/Board dinner was the previous evening whereby all commissioners and boardmembers were thanked for the service each contributed each and every year. In addition, he thanked each of the families who supported their efforts to serve the community.

**RCC-2 Mayor Pro-Tem Lutz** reported that:

(a) On October 21, 2006, she and Mayor Hammond welcomed the Western Division Quota Club attendees to Monrovia. Representatives from all over the world were in attendance.

(b) The October 28, 2006 Make a Difference Day was very successful. She thanked all of those, residents and non-residents, who participated in this event

**RCC-3 Councilmember Tom Adams** had no report at this time.

**RCC-4 Councilmember Garcia** reported that:

(a) Due to recent vacancies, he had been asked to again Chair the Economic and Community Development Policy Committee for the League of California Cities. He would be going to a League Leadership Workshop in Anaheim for an overview of the year to come.

(b) If the bond measures were successful on the November 7, 2006 ballot, there would be funds available for cities for housing. He would invite California Department of Housing and Development Director Lynn Jacobs to Monrovia so that she could use Monrovia as a model for the distribution of funds.

(c) Following a complaint from a few of the younger residents when the time changed from daylight savings time and it got dark earlier, he worked with Staff for a solution. The lights were now turned on from dusk to the close of the park.

**RCC-5 Councilmember Kirby** reported that:

(a) Monrovia had received a grant from Foothill Transit in the amount of \$35,000.00 which was allocated to two bus bench improvement areas. Community Development Director Alice Griselle presented a short report on how the funds would be used for in Monrovia, noting that these were matching funds from the City's Prop A funds.

(b) He requested Staff to look into a bounty or fine program for those who had marred the City with graffiti, which was creating a real nuisance. Chief Johnson responded that strategies he and Councilmember Kirby recently talked about were similar to the gun bounty program the City had in place whereby individuals would be rewarded cash for turning in those who deface with graffiti. He would report back at a subsequent City Council Meeting.

**REPORTS OF STAFF MEMBERS:** There were none.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS****AR-1 Memorandum of Understanding; Amend Personnel Rules and Regulations to Provide for Compensation and Supplemental Benefits Effective Fiscal Year 2006-2007 for Police Officers' Association, Appendix "G," Resolution No. 2006-74; and Part-Time Employees, Appendix "F," Resolution No. 2006-75**

Human Resources/Risk Manager Director Theresa St. Peter reviewed the Staff Report.

The last Memorandum of Understanding with the Monrovia Police Officers' Association (MPOA) expired June 30, 2006. An agreement was reached with MPOA for a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was to be effective July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. The MOU provided for a salary adjustment based on total compensation survey information obtained. Additionally, this Agreement provided for a "signing bonus," providing an additional salary increase effective January 1, 2007.

The salary schedule for hourly employees would be increased to conform to the State-wide increase in minimum wages.

**It was moved by Councilmember Kirby, seconded by Councilmember Adams, to approve Resolution Nos. 2006-74 and 2006-75.** There were no objections.

**AR-2 Purchase of Bearcat Armored Vehicle from Lenco Armored Vehicles in the Amount of \$243,003.06 and Seventy Motorola UHF Two-way radios in the Amount of \$312,743.71 from Motorola Advanced Electronics, Utilizing the Homeland Security Grant and Police Department Radio Replacement Funds**

Police Chief Roger Johnson reviewed the Staff Report

The Police Department requested approval for the purchase of an armored vehicle to be used as a regional resource for Foothill Special Enforcement Team agencies and Area D Mutual Aid police agencies in the San Gabriel Valley. Additionally, the request included seventy two-way radios that would be used to assist in providing interoperability between the Monrovia Police Department and other agencies in the region during times of disaster and mutual aid. The funds for the purchase of the Bearcat and Motorola radios were available with funds provided by the Homeland Security Grant and the Police Department's Radio Replacement Account, and the Homeland Security Grant Program provided written approval of the grant award. Lenco Armored Vehicle was the sole source provider of the Bearcat Armored Vehicle, and Motorola was the sole source provider of the public safety radios. The Police Department recommended approval of the purchase of a Bearcat Armored Vehicle from Lenco Armored Vehicles for a total price of \$243,003.06, and the purchase of sixty-five portable and five mobile Motorola radios from Motorola Advanced Electronics for a total price of \$312,743.71.

**It was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lutz, to approve the purchase of a Bearcat Armored Vehicle from Lenco Armored Vehicles in the amount of \$243,003.06, and seventy Motorola UHF two-way radios in the amount of \$312,743.71 from Motorola Advanced Electronics, utilizing the Homeland Security Grant and Police Department Radio Replacement Funds.**

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmembers Adams, Garcia, Kirby, Mayor Pro Tem Lutz, Mayor Hammond  
Motion carried: 5-0**

**AR-3 Purchase of Two 12-Lead EKG Cardiac Monitors from Medtronic Emergency Response Products in the Amount of \$34,000.00 Utilizing Measure B Grant Funds**

Fire Chief Chris Donovan reviewed the Staff Report.

On July 30, 2006, the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution for the use of funds from the Measure B Trauma Property Assessment special tax ballot initiative. In accordance with the resolution, \$4 million in Measure B funds had to be used to reimburse the Los Angeles Area paramedic service provider agencies for the initial purchase of 12-Lead EKG heart monitors and related training. The Monrovia Fire Department was granted \$34,000.00 for the purchase of two 12-Lead EKG Heart Monitors. These funds were fully reimbursable if purchased and implemented by December 2006.

Grant funding was being used to replace the two outdated existing monitors. Further, City Council was also asked to approve the reimbursement of required training for all Monrovia Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians by the County of Los Angeles, Department of Health Services using approved measure B funds as outlined in the Board of Supervisors July 30, 2006 adopted resolution.

**After discussion, including a request for a report from Chief Donovan on the effects of the paramedics program from the closure of trauma centers, it was moved by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lutz, to approve the purchase of two 12-lead EKG heart monitors from Medtronic Emergency Response Products, approve the reimbursement of required training for all Monrovia Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians by the County of Los Angeles, Department of Health Services, and authorize the City Manager to execute all of the necessary documents.**

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmembers Adams, Garcia, Kirby, Mayor Pro Tem Lutz, Mayor Hammond  
Motion carried: 5-0**

**SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

The next Regular Meeting of the Monrovia City Council was scheduled for Tuesday, November 21, 2006, 7:30 P.M., City Council Chambers, 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, California, preceded by an Open House at the City Hall Annex, the 100<sup>th</sup> Monrovia Historic Landmark, 200 E. Lime Avenue, 6.00 P.M.

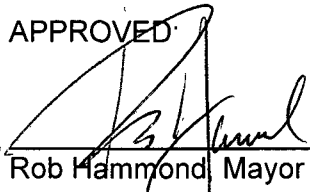
**PUBLIC INPUT, CONTINUED, IF NEEDED:** There was no public input.

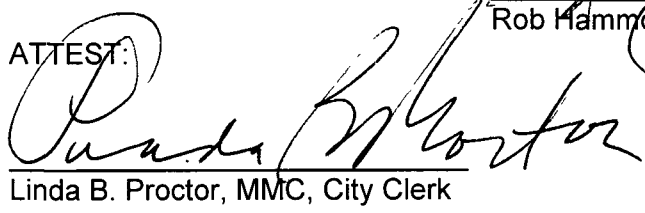
**ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR, IF NEEDED:** There were no items pulled from the Consent Calendar.

**ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION:** None

**RECONVENE AND REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION: None**

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Meeting was adjourned by Mayor Hammond at 8:31 P.M. in memory of Tom Garrett, longtime Monrovia resident, Theodore Tarwater, Retired Fire Department Captain, Penny Rapp, mother of Fire Captain David Rapp, Bridget M. Bailey/Meier, sister of Firefighter Mike Bailey.

APPROVED:   
Rob Hammond, Mayor

ATTEST:   
Linda B. Proctor, MMC, City Clerk