

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SAN PABLO CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2007

The meeting was convened in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor/Chair Paul Morris, Vice Mayor/Director Sharon Brown, and Councilmembers/Directors Leonard McNeil, Joseph Gomes and Genoveva Garcia Calloway. Also present were City Manager Brock Arner, City Clerk Ted Denney, City Treasurer Charles Nicholas, Police Chief Joseph Aita, Finance Director Bradley Ward, Public Works Director Adèle Ho, and Community Services Director Kelsey Worthy.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There were no speakers.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

Police Chief Aita introduced new San Pablo Police Officer William Boehm and administered the Oath of Office.

Public Works Director Ho presented Council with the Contra Costa Watershed Project 2007 Project of the Year Awarded and provided a brief background of the Wildcat Creek Restoration at Rumrill Boulevard.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Gomes, and unanimously passed to adopt all items in the Consent Calendar, with the exception of the WCCTAC Tenant Improvements (item #11) and the opposition to the Unfair Gambling Deals (item #12).

LIABILITY CLAIMS

By adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Liability Claim of Donny Easterling (DOL 10/26/07) was denied.

MISCELLANEOUS

Council

This item was acted on separately from the remainder of the Consent Calendar. WCCTAC Managing Director Lisa Hammon spoke regarding the slip guards on the stairs and painting of their offices. It was moved by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Calloway, to approve the WCCTAC tenant improvements.

Council

This item was acted on separately from the remainder of the Consent Calendar. After discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Calloway, unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 2007-141, with proposed changes, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of San Pablo opposing the Unfair Gambling Deals ballot measure.

Council

By adoption of the Consent Calendar, Resolution 2007-142 was approved, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of San Pablo in support of the I-80 Integrated Corridor Mobility (ICM) Project, Project Concept and Funding Plan (PW 544).

Council

By adoption of the of the Consent Calendar, Resolution 2007-143, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of San Pablo authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Contra Costa County Health Services Public Health Division for the provision of congregate meal services by the Contra Costa County Senior Nutrition Program for Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

*** * * END OF CONSENT CALENDAR * * ***

MINUTES

It was moved by Councilmember Gomes, seconded by Councilmember Calloway, and passed by vote to approve the Minutes of November 19, 2007. The motion was as follows:

AYES: McNeil, Calloway, Gomes and Morris

ABSTAIN: Brown

STUDY SESSION

Public Works Director Ho presented an update through PowerPoint presentation of the I-80/San Pablo Dam Road Interchange Reconstruction Project (PW 483). Hisham Noeimi, Engineering Manager with Contra Costa Transportation Authority also provided Council with an overview of the project and presented preliminary alternatives currently under study. The following individuals spoke regarding the proposed project: Maria Resendiz, representing Riverside Elementary School, 4095 Mozart Drive, Richmond; Don Gosney, 929 Lassen Street, Richmond; Glen Gabel, 6 Parkview Terrace, San Pablo; and Ed Chainey. Council suggested that a public hearing be held at Riverside Elementary School so as to allow nearby residents to participate in the discussion.

*** * * END OF STUDY SESSION * * ***

There was a brief recess from 8:13 to 8:20 p.m.

ORDINANCES

It was moved by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Gomes, and unanimously passed to wave the second reading and adopt Ordinance 2007-009, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of San Pablo repealing Chapter 17.44 of the San Pablo Municipal Code and adding a new Chapter 17.44 relating to Zoning Regulations applicable to adult-oriented businesses and amending Chapter 9.28 of the San Pablo Municipal Code relating to regulation of adult-oriented businesses.

RESOLUTIONS

Council

It was moved by Councilmember Gomes, seconded by Councilmember Brown, and unanimously passed to adopt 2007-144, Resolution of the City Council of the City of San Pablo authorizing the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Impact Sciences for the Davis Park Remodel Project CEQA and NEPA services.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND INQUIRIES

Mayor and City Council reported on their recent activities. Councilmember Calloway asked that the matter of Senate Bill 840 (Universal Health Care Act) be placed on a future agenda for discussion. Mayor Morris reported on three maintenance issues in the City at or near El Portal Drive.

Mayor Morris announced that the following Closed Session was cancelled due to the absence of City Attorney Libow:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant Exposure to Litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Govt. Code Section 54956.9:
One potential case.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councilmember Gomes, seconded by Councilmember Brown, and unanimously passed to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. to Monday, December 17, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in memory of Editha Morris, mother of Mayor Paul Morris; Linda Freitas Booth, former San Pablo Administrative Analyst and sister of Lead Maintenance Worker Richard Ray; and Diane Wheatly, sister of Administrative Aide Tom Joiner.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ted J. Denney, City Clerk

Paul V. Morris, Mayor