



Thursday, February 18, 2010

A Special Study Session Meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, Pico Rivera City Hall, 6615 Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California.

Mayor Salcido called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. on behalf of the City Council.

**PRESENT:** Armenta, Camacho, Archuleta, Salcido

**ABSENT:** None

**INVOCATION:** Mayor Salcido

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta

**1<sup>st</sup> PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:**

Luis Alvarado:

- Addressed the City Council to inquire about the Closed Session item.

Virginia Aguirre:

- Addressed the City Council to request the names of the pastor's who spoke at a previous meeting regarding invocations and the bible;
- Stated that she supports Mayor Salcido in his decisions.

Recessed to Closed Session at 4:10 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

Reconvened from Closed Session at 4:56 p.m.

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**CLOSED SESSION:**

**A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RELEASE**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Title: City Manager

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman reported that unanimous direction was given to the City Attorney's office to finalize a release and separation agreement with respect to the City Manager. Further, once the document is finalized the Mayor has been given authorization to execute the agreement. He noted that because this is a pending personnel matter that no further comment will be provided by the City Attorney's office, any member of the legislative body or any other employee of the City regarding this matter.

**B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Title: Interim City Manager

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman reported that no action was taken and that the Closed Session items from this meeting will be recessed to Monday, February 22, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. for further discussion in respect to Item B - Public Employee Appointment of the Interim City Manager.

**OPEN SESSION**

**A. DISCUSSION OF PARKS MASTER PLAN**

Director of Parks and Recreation Aranda stated that today's meeting is to introduce the conceptual drawings and that the Parks Master Plan would come back for approval at a regular Council meeting. He thanked and acknowledged staff members and consultants Hirsch & Associates and MIG present in the audience. He mentioned the joint meeting held with the El Rancho Unified School District and the input received from each of the community meetings that were held at the various locations as well as meetings conducted with each of the community sports organizations. Following the consensus of this meeting, he said, a similar study session will be held with the school board for their consensus regarding the property that belongs to the school district. He then proceeded to provide an update on each of the parks (Rivera, Smith, Pico, and Rio Vista) utilizing a PowerPoint presentation and Parks Master Plan study session binder.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - RIVERA PARK:**

John Seiler, representative of Rivera Baseball Association (RBA):

- Addressed the City Council regarding the loss of one diamond and how it would cause scheduling problems; objects to portable pitching mounds; distance of grand stand from the players; need at least 90 feet base pads.

Mike Lay, Vice President of Rivera Baseball Association (RBA):

- Addressed the City Council regarding the addition of grand stands and two snack bars and the removal of pitching mounds.

Gilbert Vargas, representative of Rivera Baseball Association (RBA):

- Addressed the City Council regarding the elimination of one 5 and 6 year old field; problems with scheduling due to loss of a field; and concern with the use of portable pitching mounds.

John Garcia:

- Addressed the City Council and requested fiscal responsibility and that both RBA and the Don's organizations come together to discuss how changes to the park could benefit both organizations.

After a brief discussion, direction was given to the Parks & Recreation Director Aranda to meet with all sports organizations that utilize Rivera Park facilities to discuss their needs and what will best benefit the community, and to provide those suggestions to City Council. Further, Mayor Salcido requested that all sports needs including soccer be taken into consideration at all the park facilities that utilize their fields for these sports and requested rubberized walk paths.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The City Council meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m. to February 22, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. There being no objection it was so ordered.

**AYES:** Armenta, Camacho, Archuleta, Salcido

**NOES:** None

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Gregory Salcido, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Daryl A. Betancur, City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct report of the proceedings of the City Council special meeting dated February 18, 2010, and approved by the City Council on March 9, 2010.

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Daryl A. Betancur, City Clerk