



Tuesday, February 22, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the City Council and Redevelopment Agency was held in the Council Chamber, Pico Rivera City Hall, 6615 Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California.

Mayor Armenta called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. on behalf of the City Council/Redevelopment Agency and Water Authority.

PRESENT: Camacho, Contreras Rapisarda, Salcido, Archuleta, Armenta

ABSENT: None

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Joseph Palombi, Parks & Recreation Commissioner

Tommy Elisaldez, Planning Commissioner

INVOCATION: Reverend Joshua Lee, St. Hilary Catholic Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Jasmine Armas, North Park Middle School Student

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- Employee Recognitions:
 - Steve Gutierrez, Public Safety Manager, 5 years
 - Adriana Moran, Senior Center Supervisor, 10 years
- 2011 JAMZ Youth National Championships, Las Vegas:
 - **Pico Rivera Donnas Cheerleaders:**
 - Midget Cheerleaders – Placed 5th in Show Cheer
 - Pee Wee Cheerleaders – Placed 4th in the Youth II Show Cheer Level 1 Small Division
 - Gremlin Cheerleaders – Placed 3rd in the Youth IA Show Cheer Level 1 Small Division
 - Mascot Cheerleaders – Placed 3rd in the Youth IAA Show Cheer Level Tyro Larger Division
 - Jr. Midget Cheerleaders – Placed 2nd in the Youth III Show Cheer Level 1 Small & 3rd in Performance Cheer Non-Mount Large

- Jr. Pee Wee Cheerleaders – Placed 2nd in the Youth I Show Cheer Level 1 Large Division
- **Twin Cities Wolverines Cheerleaders:**
 - Midgets Cheerleaders – Placed 3rd in the Youth III Pom Performance Large Division & 2nd in the Youth III Show Cheer Level 2 Small Division
 - Jr. Pee Wee Cheerleaders – Placed 2nd in the Youth IA Pom Performance Large Division & 1st in the Youth IA Show Cheer Level 1 Large Division – NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

PUBLIC HEARING(S):

1. Mitigated Negative Declaration for Rivera Community Park Renovation. (500)

City Manager Bates stated that staff is available to answer any questions that Council may have and at the conclusion of the public hearing recommended that Council continue the item and adopt the certification of the Mitigated Negative Declaration at a future meeting with further Council consideration.

Mayor Armenta opened the public hearing and noted that there was no written communications or public comment cards to provide public testimony.

Mayor Armenta closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Contreras Rapisarda to continue this item and adopt the certification of the Mitigated Negative Declaration at a future meeting of the City Council. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Camacho, Contreras Rapisarda, Salcido, Archuleta, Armenta

NOES: None

2. Public Hearing – Recovery of Nuisance Abatement Costs for Property Located at 4136 Layman Avenue in the City of Pico Rivera. (1300)

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman advised Councilmember Camacho that he lives within 500 ft. of the subject property's boundaries and that he should recuse himself from this item.

Councilmember Camacho left the dais and returned after the vote was taken.

City Manager Bates stated that the referenced property in this item has had a lot of detailed work on it and that staff is available to answer any questions that Council may have. He added that the financial consideration has been detailed in the staff report.

Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta inquired as to the total nuisance abatement cost with Community Development Director Brauckmann responding that the initial cost confirmed by the City Council in January was \$3,142 and that the second cost incurred on the subject property is \$2,015 for a total of \$5,157.

Mayor Armenta opened the public hearing and noted that there was no written communications or public comment cards to provide public testimony.

Mayor Armenta closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta to adopt attached Resolution No. 6593 certifying an itemized account of expenses for confirmation and possible placement of a lien as a special assessment on real property located at 4136 Layman Avenue. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 6593 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, CERTIFYING AN ITEMIZED ACCOUNT OF EXPENSES FOR CONFIRMATION AND POSSIBLE PLACEMENT OF A LIEN AS A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ON REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4136 LAYMAN AVENUE, PICO RIVERA, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 8.16 OF THE PICO RIVERA MUNICIPAL CODE

AYES: Contreras Rapisarda, Salcido, Archuleta, Armenta

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Camacho

1st PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None.

3. Minutes:

- City Council and Redevelopment Agency meeting of February 8, 2011

4. 14th Warrant Register of the 2010-2011 Fiscal Year.

(700)

Check Numbers: 244209-244467

Special Checks Numbers: None.

5. Passons Boulevard Underpass Project (CIP No. 20053) – Amendment No. 4 to Professional Services Agreement No. 07-992 with Overland, Pacific, & Cutler, Inc. for additional Right-of-Way Services. (500)

1. Approved Amendment No. 4 to Professional Services Agreement No. 07-992 with Overland, Pacific & Cutler, Inc. (OPC) for additional right-of-way (ROW) services in accordance with their proposal dated February 16, 2011; and
2. Authorized the City Manager to execute the amendment.

6. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Rehabilitation Services - Willdan Engineering Agreement. (500)

1. Approved an increase of \$11,000 to the existing Housing Rehabilitation Agreement with Willdan Engineering.

Agreement No. 10-1189-2

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta to approve Consent Calendar Items No. 3 through 6. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Camacho, Contreras Rapisarda, Salcido, Archuleta, Armenta

NOES: None

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED: None.

CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATION: None.

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR: None.

AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS:

After a brief discussion amongst the City Council regarding the subject of Ad-Hoc Committee Reports, it was recommended that staff provide the Council with updates on the various Ad-Hoc Committees and that the minutes of the Ad-Hoc Committee be provided and distributed no later than 48 hours after the meeting to all council members and appropriate staff. City Manager Bates stated that staff could provide an update on the various Ad-Hoc Committees at the next City Council meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

In regard to the abatement costs such as those related to item number 2 on the agenda, Councilmember Camacho recommended that staff look into alternative security products (windows/doors) for homes in foreclosure to minimize the overall resources that the City is providing.

OLD BUSINESS:

Councilmember Camacho inquired about the City's Redevelopment Agency debt with City Manager Bates stating that staff is looking into the outstanding debt, different options and revenue resources available for redevelopment, as well as the City's loan debt documentation in case the State does take over Redevelopment Agencies that it assumes the debt of the Redevelopment Agency as well. He stated that staff hopes to be able to provide a report at the next council meeting.

Recessed to Water Authority at 7:05 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

Reconvened from Water Authority at 7:06 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

2ND PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENTS – ALL OTHER CITY-RELATED BUSINESS:

John Albitre:

- Addressed the City Council to speak on the closure of Borders Bookstore and Music and grant money used to acquire the bookstore at its current location.

Victor Gonzales:

- Addressed the City Council to request recognition and support of the basketball program he coaches and asked if an opening ceremony could be held as well.

Jose Ruiz:

- Addressed the City Council to also request support of the basketball program.

Rosemary Gurrola, Pico Rivera Librarian:

- Addressed the City Council to thank Council for their support and to invite residents to visit the library.

Pamela Manookian:

- Addressed the City Council to speak on the Commercial Façade program and to inquire on any progress made with the Ad Hoc Committee and to volunteer her assistance with the committee.

John Avila:

- Addressed the City Council to congratulate the new City Manager and to invite Council and residents to the 14th Annual Chamber Golf Tournament to raise money to provide scholarships for El Rancho High School students on April 14, 2011 at California Country Club.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

In response to Mr. Gonzales comments, Mayor Armenta stated that the City pays for the basketballs jerseys whereas for all other sports the City does not give money for uniforms. He also suggested that the basketball program coaches coordinate an opening ceremony with City staff and City Council.

Councilmember Salcido suggested that Mr. Gonzalez and parents form their own independent basketball leagues to get to the level of resources that he needs.

Recessed to Closed Session at 7:21 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

Reconvened from Closed Session at 7:55 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

CLOSED SESSION(S):

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section §54956.9(a)

City of Pico Rivera v. San Gabriel River Co., et al.

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman reported that the City Council unanimously provided authorization for resolution pursuant to the settlement discussion as presented in Closed Session.

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EVALUATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section §54957

Title: City Manager

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman stated that no final action was taken and that there was nothing further to report.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Armenta adjourned the City Council meeting at 7:55 p.m. in memory of Debra and Raul Escobedo and family. There being no objection it was so ordered.

AYES: Camacho, Contreras Rapisarda, Salcido, Archuleta, Armenta

NOES: None

David W. Armenta, Mayor

ATTEST:

Daryl A. Betancur, City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct report of the proceedings of the City Council and Redevelopment Agency Regular meeting dated February 22, 2011, and approved by the City Council on March 8, 2011.

Daryl A. Betancur, City Clerk