



Tuesday, March 25, 2014

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

Mayor Tercero called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on behalf of the City Council.

PRESENT: Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero

ABSENT: None

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Joseph Palombi, Parks & Recreation Commission

INVOCATION: Councilmember Archuleta

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilmember Armenta

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- American Red Cross Month - Proclamation
- Certificates of Recognition presented to the Twin Cities Wolverines Jr. Midget Cheer for Placing 1st in the Jr. Midget Cheer Division at the JAMZ Nationals in Las Vegas
- El Rancho Teen Court Annual Progress Report to City Council

1ST PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Minutes:

- Approved City Council meeting of March 11, 2014
- Received and filed Parks & Recreation Commission meeting of October 10, 2013; and
- Received and filed Planning Commission meeting of February 3, 2014

2. Approved 15th Warrant Register of the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year. (700)

Check Numbers: 261015-261201

Special Checks Numbers: None

3. Sister City Commission Appointment. (300)

1. Adopted Resolution No. 6754 approving the appointment of Linda Martinez to the Sister City Commission.

Resolution No. 6754 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, APPOINTING THE FOLLOWING CITY ELECTOR: LINDA MARTINEZ TO THE SISTER CITY COMMISSION FOR A TWO YEAR TERM SAID TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 2015

4. Single Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013. (700)

1. Received and filed the Single Audit Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2013.

5. Rosemead Boulevard Pedestrian Bridge Rehabilitation and Beautification Project, CIP No. 21240 – Authorization to Bid. (500)

1. Approved Plans, Specifications and Estimate (PS&E) for the Rosemead Boulevard Pedestrian Bridge Rehabilitation and Beautification Project, CIP No. 21240, and authorized the City Clerk to publish the Notice Inviting Bids; and
2. Approved the Notice of Exemption and authorized the City Clerk to file with the County Recorder.

6. Authorize Letter of No Prejudice with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) to Initiate Congestion Hot Spot Intersection Project. (500)

1. Accepted the Letter of No Prejudice with METRO, dated March 5, 2014, and authorized staff to begin expenditures of the \$4,040,000 in grant funds received from the SR-91/I-605/I-405 Hot Spots Program prior to the execution of the formal funding agreements with METRO which is necessary to accelerate project implementation.

7. Ban on Distribution of Single-Use Plastic Carryout Bags.

This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar for further clarification and discussion.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Armenta to approve Consent Calendar Items No. 1 through 6. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero

NOES: None

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION:

7. Ban on Distribution of Single-Use Plastic Carryout Bags.

City Council had a brief discussion pertaining to the cost impact the ban could have on local markets and clarification on the direction given to the Ad Hoc Committee in regard to analyzing a draft ordinance.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Armenta to refer item to Solid Waste Ad Hoc (Tercero/Salcido) to provide direction on analyzing a draft ordinance prohibiting the distribution of single-use plastic carryout bags.

AYES: Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero

NOES: None

LEGISLATION:

- 8. Adopt a Resolution of Intention to Establish and Collect Local Sewer Service Charges for Fiscal Year 2014/2015 and to Set A Public Hearing, as Necessary to Assume Sewer Maintenance Service from Los Angeles County Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District with No Increase in Rates; and Receive and File Engineer's Report. (700)**

In response to Councilmember Archuleta's inquiry, Director of Public Works Cervantes stated that the anticipated cost savings will be used for a five (5) year Capital Improvement Program estimated at \$398,000 and further stated that there would be no increase in fees to the residents.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Armenta to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 6755 of Intention to establish and collect local Sewer Service Charges for Fiscal Year 2014/2015 and to set a Public Hearing for May 13, 2014, as necessary to assume sewer maintenance service from Los Angeles County Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District with no rate increases, and 2) Receive and file Engineer's Report ("City of Pico Rivera Sewer Service Charge – March 2014"). Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 6755 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO ESTABLISH AND COLLECT LOCAL SEWER SERVICE CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA WITH NO INCREASE IN RATES COMMENCING FISCAL YEAR 2014/2015, AND TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON SUCH MATTERS, AS NECESSARY TO ASSUME SEWER MAINTENANCE SERVICE FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT

AYES: Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Salcido

NOES: Tercero

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY MEETINGS:

Councilmember Armenta reported that the County Sanitation Districts will be hosting an Earth Day on April 12, 2014 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm.

Councilmember Camacho reported that SEAACA will be asking member cities to increase fees to help with the cost of running their facility.

Recessed to Water Authority at 6:38 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

Reconvened from Water Authority at 6:39 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilmember Archuleta congratulated Public Works staff for receiving the 2014 Project Achievement Award from the Construction Management Association of America (CMMA) for the Passons Underpass Project.

Councilmember Armenta thanked the Parks & Recreation Department for their efforts in dealing with some recent issues. He mentioned issues with the contracted Bus Transportation Services, thanked staff for their quick response on matters regarding trash at Smith Park, and suggested adding more charcoals to the barbecue pits. Mr. Armenta asked that the Ad Hoc Committee meet regarding the Sports Arena/campground and thanked Nationwide and staff for the recent graffiti cleanup.

Councilmember Camacho congratulated and acknowledged the recent efforts of City Manager Bates and Public Works Director Cervantes and staff in receiving a \$50 million dollar grant to fix two bridges that need major repairs and enhancement. He also mentioned that City Manager Bates is a recipient of a national award for his outstanding public service to the general community.

Mayor Tercero suggested that the Public Safety Ad Hoc Committee look into an ordinance regarding house parties and home owners' responsibilities in serving alcohol to minors.

Councilmember Armenta thanked Community and Economic Development Director Martinez for his assistance with a homeowner in resolving a handicap issue. At the request of the local Armenian school, Councilmember Armenta suggested that the Sister City Commission look into forming a Friendship City.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mayor Tercero asked for an update on the Farmer's Market with Assistant to the City Manager Chavez responding that the Ad Hoc Committee is working with a local vendor and Parks & Recreation staff to get the process started on forming a Farmer's Market.

Mayor Tercero asked for an update on the contracted Bus Transportation Services issue. Parks and Recreation Director Gonzalez stated that she has been in contact with the Bus Transportation Company, has articulated the issues and has provided a certain amount of time to cure. She stated that she hopes to be able to work out the differences with the bus company. She also stated that the City awarded the contract in December 2013 for a

three year contract. Should the issues not be resolved, she stated that staff could look at the next lowest bidder to provide bus transportation services.

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

Erika Hernandez, Marketing Coordinator for Fiesta Taxi:

- Addressed the City Council to request a presentation to the City Council at a future date.

Recessed to Closed Session at 6:54 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

Reconvened from Closed Session at 7:32 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

CLOSED SESSION:

a. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Designated Representatives:

City Manager Ron Bates

Assistant City Manager Mike Matsumoto

Employee organization(s):

Service Employees International Union, Local 721 – Full Time Bargaining Unit

Pico Rivera Mid-Managers and Professional and Confidential Association
Bargaining Unit

Service Employees International Union, Local 721 – Director’s Bargaining Unit

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Tercero adjourned the City Council meeting at 7:33 p.m. in memory of Emma Sandoval, Crossing Guard. There being no objection it was so ordered.

AYES: Archuleta, Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero

NOES: None

Brent A. Tercero, Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna M. Jerome, City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct report of the proceedings of the City Council regular meeting dated March 25, 2014 and approved by the City Council on April 8, 2014.

Anna M. Jerome, City Clerk