



Tuesday, June 14, 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/Chairman Armenta called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. on behalf of the City Council/Redevelopment Agency and Housing Assistance Agency.

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

ABSENT: None

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Fred Zermeno, Planning Commissioner

Joseph Palombi, Parks & Recreation Commissioner

INVOCATION: Pastor Paul Caprietta of Divine Ministries, Inc.

U.S. ARMY COLOR GUARD

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Joe Bueno, Veteran World War II

SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S): 1) Flag Day Presentation
2) Policies that Improve Community Health in Pico Rivera
Presenters: Rosa Soto and Jeanette Flores (10 minutes)
3) Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta presented the U.S. Army Color Guard with a Proclamation honoring the 236th Anniversary of the United States Army

1st PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Christina Jerome:

- Addressed the City Council regarding a free concert provided by the Fullerton College Concert Choir on Saturday, January 25, 2011, 7:00 p.m. at St. Hilary Catholic Church and invited the Council and members of the audience to this event.

PUBLIC HEARING(S):

1. Public Hearing - Paramount/Mines Landscape Maintenance Assessment District. (700)

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 Camacho to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 6623 approving the Engineer's Annual Levy Report for the Paramount/Mines Landscape Maintenance Assessment District for Fiscal Year 2011/2012; and 2) Adopt Resolution No. 6624 ordering the Collection of Assessment within the Paramount/Mines Landscape Maintenance Assessment District for Fiscal Year 2011/2012 pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972.

Resolution No. 6623 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT, AND LEVYING THE FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012 ASSESSMENT FOR THE PICO RIVERA PARAMOUNT/MINES LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT OF 1972

Resolution No. 6624 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012 LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE PARAMOUNT/MINES LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT OF 1972

Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

2. Public Hearing – Citywide Landscape and Lighting Assessment District. (700)

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 Camacho to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 6625 approving the Engineer's Annual Levy Report for the Pico Rivera Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2011/2012; and 3) Adopt Resolution No. 6626 ordering the Collection of Assessments within the Pico Rivera Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2011/2012 pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972.

Resolution No. 6625 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012 LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE PICO RIVERA LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012

Resolution No. 6626 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, ORDERING THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE PICO RIVERA LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 FISCAL YEAR

Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

3. Minutes:

- Approved City Council and Redevelopment Agency meeting of May 24, 2011
- Received and Filed Planning Commission meeting of May 2, 2011

- Received and Filed Planning Commission meeting of May 16, 2011
- Received and Filed Sister City Commission meeting of March 21, 2011

4. Approved 21st Warrant Register of the 2010-2011 Fiscal Year. (700)

Check Numbers: 246092-246199; 246202-246393

Special Checks Numbers: 246200-246201

5. Fund Balance Policy to Implement GASB 54. (700)

1. Adopted Resolution No. 6627 classifying the various components of fund balance as defined in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54.

Resolution No. 6627 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A FUND BALANCE POLICY AND ESTABLISHING FUND BALANCE COMMITMENTS FOR EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT, RETIREE MEDICAL, AND EMERGENCY RESERVE AND ECONOMIC STABILIZATION/STIMULUS

6. Approval of Purchase Orders Over \$30,000 for Public Works, Field Operations Division Vendors - Fiscal Year 2010-11 and Fiscal Year 2011-12. (700)

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

7. Pico Park Transit Hub, Parking Lot Expansion and Rehabilitation, CIP 21235 – Award Construction Contract. (500)

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

8. City of Pico Rivera Community Dial-A-Ride Program. (500)

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

9. Professional Services Agreement for Graffiti Analysis Intelligence Tracking System. (500)

1. Approved Professional Services Agreement with Graffiti Tracker Inc., 12165 W. Center Rd., Suite 80, Omaha, Nebraska, 68144, to continue the use of the Graffiti Analysis Intelligence Tracking System at an annual cost not to exceed \$18,000; and
2. Authorized City Manager to renew the agreement.

Agreement No. 11-1227

10. Prepay 2011-12 CalPERS Pension Contribution. (200)

1. Authorized the Director of Finance to prepay the 2011-12 pension contribution to the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS).

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta to approve Consent Calendar Items No. 3, 4, 5, 9 and 10. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED:

6. Approval of Purchase Orders Over \$30,000 for Public Works, Field Operations Division Vendors - Fiscal Year 2010-11 and Fiscal Year 2011-12. (700)

Councilmember Contreras Rapisarda requested clarification on the City Manager's approval to authorize purchase orders over \$30,000 and asked if there was a cap on the amount.

City Manager Bates stated that staff is requesting to reconcile the purchase orders over \$30,000 for the five vendors listed in the staff report for the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 to bring them in compliance with the purchasing policy and to approve for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 purchase orders over \$30,000 for these same vendors as listed in the report. He stated the cap is \$30,000 and any purchases over that amount will be brought before Council for approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta asked if staff anticipates any more vendors other than the five listed to go over \$65,000, with the Public Works Deputy Director Cervantes stating that staff does not anticipate any more vendors other than those listed.

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta to authorize the City Manager to approve Purchase Orders over \$30,000 for Fiscal Year 2010-11 and Fiscal Year 2011-12 for the following five vendors: AK Miller Garage, Home Depot, S&J Supply Co. Inc., United Traffic Service and Vulcan Materials Co. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

7. Pico Park Transit Hub, Parking Lot Expansion and Rehabilitation, CIP 21235 – Award Construction Contract. (500)

Councilmember Contreras Rapisarda inquired about the selection process for this project regarding the lowest bidder.

Deputy Director Cervantes stated that Oceanstate Development, Inc. was the lowest bidder but withdrew their bid as they failed to include addendums 1 and 2. He stated that Green Giant Landscape was the next lowest responsible bidder and is currently working on the Beverly Boulevard Landscape Median Project.

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Contreras Rapisarda to award a construction contract in amount of \$780,000 to Green Giant Landscape, Inc. for the construction of Pico Park Transit Hub, Parking Lot Expansion and Rehabilitation, CIP No. 21235 and authorize the Mayor to execute the contract in a form approved by the City Attorney. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Agreement No. 11-1228

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

NOES: None

8. City of Pico Rivera Community Dial-A-Ride Program. (500)

Mayor Armenta suggested amending the agreement from “shall not exceed 12 months to shall not exceed 3 months” in order to expedite the process of lowering cost with

Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta concurring with the suggestion. Mr. Armenta requested a report on all cash contracts stating award date, due date, etc. He also asked City Manager Bates to explain the transportation program used in South Gate.

City Manager Bates stated that in South Gate the ridership increased when they combined programs that utilized the Dial-A-Ride service for seniors and handicap with specific criteria for eligible riders, provided a fixed route system that connects to the parks and commercial establishments and looked at current services that were used primarily to shuttle to the Senior Center and Meals on Wheels programs. To increase ridership in the City he suggested looking at all three aspects and combining all three programs when going out to bid. He stated what usually happens when all three programs are combined is that a couple of companies' partner.

Mayor Armenta commented on the taxi service utilized by South Gate, the cost savings and the availability of the service.

Councilmembers Camacho and Salcido recommended leaving the agreement as written stating that the expedition of an RFP could still be accomplished in three months but if more time is needed to accomplish this, the process would not to have to be rushed.

Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta asked City Manager Bates if the process could be accomplished in three months with Mr. Bates responding in the affirmative. Mr. Archuleta recommended a follow-up evaluation process from the riders to monitor and grade the transportation systems.

Motion by Mayor Armenta, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta to approve and amend the agreement with Southland Transit Inc. to operate the City's Dial-A-Ride program from "shall not exceed 12 months to shall not exceed 3 months (90-days) with option to seek further extension" if necessary. Motion carries by the following roll call:

Agreement No. 99-735-6

AYES: Salcido, Archuleta, Armenta

NOES: Camacho, Contreras Rapisarda

CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATION: None

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR: None.

Recessed to Housing Assistance Agency at 6:50 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

Reconvened from Housing Assistance Agency at 6:51 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta requested that Public Works water down the dirt area along the Slauson/Passons corridor to prevent blowing dust. He also requested that the Sheriff's Department enforce speeding limits along the detour route.

OLD BUSINESS:

Councilmember Contreras Rapisarda requested an update on the progress of the Metro Gold Line with Deputy Director Cervantes stating that the two alternate routes being considered are Washington Boulevard and the 60 Freeway. He stated that the project is in the planning stages, an Environmental Impact Report is required, and that the project currently has no funding. City Manager Bates added that a Steering Committee is being formed consisting of a Council member and City Manager from each of the affected cities: Whittier, Pico Rivera, Montebello, Santa Fe Springs, and Commerce as well as representatives from Supervisor Molina's office and Supervisor Knabe's office. He stated that the steering committee will bring back to their respective Councils the preferred alternative routes. The Council will then provide input and direction on the Washington alignment to give back to the MTA.

In compliance with AB 1234 requirements, Councilmember Camacho reported on his attendance at the California Contract Cities Seminar May 12-14, 2011 and ICSC Conference in Las Vegas May 22-25, 2011. He stated that he was elected to serve on the Contract Cities Executive Board and was honored to chair the meeting of May 13. He also moderated the Public Integrity Workshop that consisted of a panel of Dave Demerjian and Steve Cooley. He mentioned that it was a valuable seminar to attend. His attendance at the ICSC Conference included meeting with retail brokers and national retail tenants and stated that the City is working on developing an Economic Development Plan. He added that on May 17 a press conference took place at El Rancho High School with the Hispanic Scholarship Fund, the Jackie & Gilbert Cisneros' Foundation and the kick-off of the promote generation first degree, a college degree in

every household program. He stated that he was privileged to help coordinate the literacy campaign efforts with the El Rancho Unified School District, the City and Jackie & Gilbert Cisneros Foundation. He thanked the Cisneros for their generous donation of \$1.25 million dollar scholarship fund for El Rancho High School students.

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

Rosemary Gurrola, Pico Rivera Librarian:

- Addressed the City Council regarding the summer programs offered at both the Mines and Serapis libraries which include programs for teens, middle school, young readers; reading on-line summer programs and magic shows.

Victor Gonzalez:

- Addressed the City Council to provide an update on the basketball program; thanked Director Ralph Aranda and staff for their assistance; working with Mayor Pro Tem Archuleta on reading program with library; June 23, 2011 Basketball night out.

Rick Meza, SCE Regional Manager:

- Addressed the City Council to introduce himself and stated that he is Sylvia Sutherland's replacement.

The following speakers appeared before the City Council to address the closure of Maizeland Childcare Center and to request assistance from the City with respect to forming a partnership between the City and School District; funding and support in keeping the Childcare Center open:

1. Wendy Esquivel
2. Rico Tamayo
3. Maria Gomez
4. Laura Alarcon
5. Chris Moreno
6. Stephanie Rios
7. Elizabeth Palayo
8. Gabriel Certa
9. Paola Arenas
10. S. J. Encinas
11. Edith Morris

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

City Council collectively stated that they will look into a partnership with the school district, seek available funding and work with the City Attorney on any perceivable issues. The City Council clearly stated they could not make promises as the City and School District are separate entities but that they will communicate with the School District on this matter.

Recessed to Closed Session at 7:46 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

Reconvened from Closed Session at 9:44 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

CLOSED SESSION:

A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6

Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and Finance Director

Employee Organization: SEIU Local 721 Full-time and Hourly Employees

City Attorney reported that there was no final action taken and nothing further to report.

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9(b)

One Potential Case

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

C. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EVALUATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section §54957

Title: City Manager

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Armenta adjourned the City Council meeting at 9:44 p.m. 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 June 14, 2011, and approved by the City Council on June 28, 2011.

Daryl A. Betancur, City Clerk