



Tuesday, June 12, 2012

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

Mayor Archuleta called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. on behalf of the City Council/Successor Agency.

PRESENT: Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero, Archuleta

ABSENT: None

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Fred Zermeno, Planning Commission

Rod Torres, Parks & Recreation Commission

INVOCATION: Rod Torres, Parks & Recreation Commissioner

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Alex Gonzalez, Eagle Scout

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- Recognition of the United States Army's 237th Birthday
- Proclamation presented to Dan Rodarte – 50+ years at Pico Rivera Post Office
- Certificate of Recognition presented to Eagle Scout Alex Gonzalez of Troop 546

PUBLIC HEARING(S):

- 1. Public Hearing - General Plan Amendment No. 49 – Adoption of the 2006-2014 Housing Element. (1600)**

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

City Manager Bates stated that by adopting the 2006-2014 Housing Element would allow the city to move forward to extend and modify the housing element for the adoption of the General Plan next year.

Mayor Archuleta closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Armenta to adopt Resolution No. 6685 approving General Plan Amendment No. 49 for 2006-2014 Housing Element and Negative Declaration per the California Environmental Quality Act. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 6685 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, FOR GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 49, ADOPTION OF THE 2006-2014 HOUSING ELEMENT

AYES: Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero, Archuleta

NOES: None

2. Public Hearing - Community Development Block Grant 2012-2013 Draft Action Plan. (1600)

Mayor Archuleta opened the public hearing and noted that there was no written communications to provide public testimony.

City Manager Bates stated that the federal government is having the same budgetary challenges as cities and the state, and are cutting back programs and the amount of funding that they are providing for Community Development Block Grants (CDBG). He stated that what is before City Council tonight is a proposal that is a reduction from last year of 21% and is based on the amount of money that is available to fund these programs. In terms of how the proposal is put together, he stated that the city is limited to 15% for the social service programs and that when staff looked at the programs, we put together a proposal that held graffiti the same and reduced the balance by 26% to keep the total the same which is allowable under the federal guidelines of \$96,000. City Manager Bates stated that staff also developed another option (Option 2) for Council to consider tonight which cuts the programs the exact same amount (21% across the board for each agency) that the federal government cut the city in terms of the money that the city received for those social programs.

Councilmember Armenta spoke of the value of graffiti removal services in keeping the city safe and would like to see the funding kept the same.

Mayor Pro Tem Camacho asked if staff has spoken to the different recipients of the funding as to how this will impact their services with City Manager Bates responding in the affirmative.

Councilmember Tercero spoke in support of the valuable food services and daily contact that SASSFA provides to senior citizens. Mr. Tercero motioned to reduce the graffiti services fund and to add the difference to the Southeast Area Social Service Funding Authority (SASSFA).

Councilmember Armenta stated that many of the meals that are provided to the Senior Center are not all Pico Rivera resident recipients and suggested that if there is a reduction in meals that Pico Rivera residents are served first.

Oral Communications:

Kirk Kain, SASSFA Director:

- Addressed the City Council regarding the programs SASSFA provides to senior citizens, workforce services, case management services, as well as support services and support groups.

Vanessa Sedano representative of Whole Child:

- Addressed the City Council to request support for the transitional living services they provide to the public.

Councilmember Salcido suggested referring this item to an Ad Hoc Committee to re-evaluate the options available with Mayor Pro Tem Camacho concurring with the suggestion.

In response to Mayor Archuleta's inquiry, Community and Economic Development Director Martinez stated that staff has a deadline of August 16, so there is time for further deliberation to take place.

Mayor Archuleta closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilmember Armenta, seconded by Councilmember Salcido to refer the item to the Finance Ad Hoc Committee and continue the public hearing to the City Council meeting of July 10, 2012. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero, Archuleta

NOES: None

3. Public Hearing - Landscape and Lighting Assessment District. (700)

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

City Manager Bates stated that this is a standard item.

Mayor Archuleta closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Armenta to: 1) Hold Public Hearing; 2) Adopt Resolution No. 6686 approving the Engineer's Annual Levy Report for the Pico Rivera Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2012/2013; and 3) Adopt Resolution No. 6687 ordering the Collection of Assessments within the Pico Rivera Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2012/2013 pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 6686 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013 LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE PICO RIVERA LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013

Resolution No. 6687 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 2012/2013

AYES: Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero, Archuleta

NOES: None

4. Public Hearing - Paramount/Mines Landscape Maintenance Assessment District.

(700)

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

Mayor Archuleta closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilmember Salcido, seconded by Councilmember Armenta to: 1) Hold Public Hearing; 2) Adopt Resolution No. 6688 approving the Engineer's Annual Levy Report for the Paramount/Mines Landscape Maintenance Assessment District for Fiscal Year 2012/2013; and 3) Adopt Resolution No. 6689 confirming the Diagram and Assessment, and Levying the Fiscal Year 2012/2013 Assessment for the Paramount/Mines Landscape Maintenance Assessment District pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 6688 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013 LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE PARAMOUNT/MINES LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT OF 1972

Resolution No. 6689 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT, AND LEVYING THE FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013 ASSESSMENT FOR THE PICO RIVERA PARAMOUNT/MINES LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT OF 1972

AYES: Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero, Archuleta

NOES: None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

5. Minutes:

- Approved City Council and Successor Agency meeting of May 22, 2012;
- Received and filed Planning Commission meeting April 2, 2012; and
- Received and filed Planning Commission meeting May 21, 2012.

6. Approved 20th Warrant Register of the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year. (700)

Check Numbers: 251860-252153

Special Checks Numbers: None.

7. Passons Boulevard Underpass Project (CIP No. 20053) – California Eminent Domain Law Group, APC. – Amendment No. 2 to Agreement (Purchase Order No. 28628) for Legal Services. (500)

1. Authorized the City Manager to approve Change Order No. 2 to the Agreement (Purchase Order No. 28628) with California Eminent Domain Law Group, APC, necessary for additional legal services on the Passons Boulevard Underpass Project in an amount not-to-exceed \$175,000.

8. Installation of Traffic Control Devices – Congestion Relief and Traffic Safety.

(1400)

1. Received and filed.

Motion by Councilmember Tercero, seconded by Councilmember Armenta to approve Consent Calendar Items 5 through 8. Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero, Archuleta

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Salcido (Item 8)

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED: None.

1st PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Barbara Levine, Los Angeles County Economic Development Corp.:

- Provided a brief report on business friendly and economic development services provided to the community.

CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

9. Los Angeles County Strategic Plan Components for Economic Development (2010-2014).

Motion by Councilmember Armenta, seconded by Councilmember Salcido to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 6690 in support of the Los Angeles County Strategic Plan Components for Economic Development; and 2) Forward copy of the resolution to the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC). Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 6690 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENTS FOR

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR 2010 TO 2014 AS ADOPTED BY THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

AYES: Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero, Archuleta

NOES: None

SUCCESSOR AGENCY ACTIVITIES: None.

Recessed to Housing Assistance Agency at 7:17 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

Reconvened from Housing Assistance Agency at 7:18 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilmember Armenta stated that the Rivera Baseball Association (RBA) had questions regarding agreement with the city on paying for the use of the field lights; asked staff to provide a status on the value of the Chamber of Commerce services for \$40,000; asked staff to look at funding spent on senior meals at the Senior Center; stated that the Parks & Recreation Commission due to the city's financial status, has forfeited their monthly stipend; and suggested that at a distant future time, the 1% sales tax be brought back to the people for reconsideration.

In compliance with AB 1234 requirements, Councilmember Armenta reported on his attendance at the Contract Cities and Las Vegas Shopping Center seminars. He stated that topics of discussion included the financial condition of the cities.

Mayor Archuleta mentioned that Rivera Park's grand opening day is August 2, 2012.

At the request of the Mayor, Director of Public Works Cervantes provided a brief report highlighting the parks construction phases. Councilmember Armenta requested that Public Works Director Cervantes provide a detailed report to City Council regarding the cause of construction delays.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

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

Michael Lay, President of Rivera Baseball Association (RBA):

- Addressed the City Council to speak on baseball fees and to thank Director Aranda, City Manager Bates and Councilmember Salcido for their support and for allowing the Rivera Baseball Association (RBA) to play at Rivera Park for playoff game.

Erika Rico:

- Addressed the City Council to speak about non-profit program Bridges that benefits the community by providing disability awareness, inclusion and diversity.

Will Rivas:

- Addressed the City Council regarding support of non-profit organization Bridges to raise awareness of the programs offered on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at 6440 Paramount Blvd., Pico Rivera.

Pompeyo Estrada:

- Addressed the City Council regarding code enforcement permitting issues with his home.

Nora Chen, Rivera Librarian:

- Addressed the City Council regarding summer reading programs for all ages and prizes for the top readers.

Javier Pacheco, Neighborhood Watch Program representative:

- Addressed the City Council regarding Neighborhood Watch Program and traffic issues on Deland, Lindsey and Layman.

John Seiler, Rivera Baseball Association (RBA) representative:

- Addressed the City Council to thank Councilmember Salcido, City Manager Bates and Parks & Recreation Director Aranda for getting the field and Rivera Park ready for playoffs; thanked all involved for their hard work and asked for support of Special Olympics.

Victoria Sandoval:

- Addressed the City Council to speak of her concerns with possible cuts to the senior citizen lunch program sponsored by SASSFA.

Rocio Leon, California Manufacturing Technology Consulting (CMTc):

- Addressed the City Council to speak in support of small business growth development and mentioned that she is proud to be in partnership with the City of Pico Rivera.

Recessed to Closed Session at 7:55 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

Reconvened from Closed Session at 8:20 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

CLOSED SESSION:

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section § 54956.9 (b)

Number of Cases: One Case

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman reported that direction was given to file claim, there was no final action taken and nothing further to report.

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section § 54957

Title: City Manager

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Archuleta adjourned the City Council meeting at 8:24 p.m. There being no objection it was so ordered.

AYES: Armenta, Camacho, Salcido, Tercero, Archuleta

NOES: None

Bob J. Archuleta, Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna M. Jerome, Assistant City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct report of the proceedings of the City Council and Successor Agency Regular meeting dated June 12, 2012 and approved by the City Council on June 26, 2012.

Anna M. Jerome, Assistant City Clerk