CITY OF ESCONDIDO

MARCH 16, 2011
3:30 p.m. Meeting Minutes

Escondido City Council
Community Development Commission

CALL TO ORDER

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ATTENDANCE

The following members were present: Councilmember Olga Diaz, Councilmember Ed Gallo, Councilmember Michael Morasco, Deputy Mayor Marie Waldron, and Mayor Sam Abed. Quorum present.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

CLOSED SESSION: (COUNCIL/CDC/RRB)

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to recess to Closed Session. Motion carried unanimously.

I. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code §54956.8)

a. Property: 1750 W. Citracado Parkway, Lot #58
Agency Negotiators: Jerry Van Leeuwen
Negotiating parties: CDC and Marcela Barrios
Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

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MOMENT OF REFLECTION

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Abed led the flag salute.

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The following members were present: Councilmember Olga Diaz, Councilmember Ed Gallo, Councilmember Michael Morasco, Deputy Mayor Marie Waldron, and Mayor Sam Abed. Quorum present.

Also present were: Clay Phillips, City Manager; Jeffrey Epp, City Attorney; Barbara Redlitz, Community Development Director; Ed Domingue, Engineering Services Director; Marsha Whalen, City Clerk; and Liane Uhl, Minutes Clerk.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Abed presented Toyota of Escondido, Hot Rods and Custom Stuff, The Olive Garden Restaurant, and Stone Brewing Company with Environmental Excellence Awards.

Mayor Abed introduced Librarian Joanna Axelrod and presented her with a Certificate in recognition of her Library Teen Services Award.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Dennis Tomlinson, Escondido, distributed information, voiced concern with graffiti and stated the hotel project was good for Escondido.

Roy Garrett, Escondido, expressed concern with the proposed ballpark.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Abed removed items 4 and 7 and Councilmember Gallo removed items 6 and 8 from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Morasco that the following items be approved with the exception of items 4, 6, 7 and 8. Motion carried unanimously.

1. AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING AND POSTING (COUNCIL/CDC/RRB)
2. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER (Council/CDC)
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None Scheduled

4. RECOGNIZING REVEAL THE CREEK COMMITTEE– Request Council recognize the Reveal the Creek Committee as the primary collaborative agency with the City on efforts to revitalize the Escondido Creek Trail. (File No. 0135-10)

Staff Recommendation: Approval **(Neighborhood Services: Rich Buquet)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-33

Jerry Harmon, Escondido, distributed information and encouraged anyone who is interested in the project to stop by the Escondido Creek Conservancy office at 111 North Broadway.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to recognize the Reveal the Creek Committee as the primary collaborative agency with the City on efforts to revitalize the Escondido Creek Trail and adopt Resolution No. 2011-33. Motion carried unanimously.

5. PUBLIC STREET DEDICATION AND QUITCLAIM OF ADJOINING CITY PARCELS – Request Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to accept the dedication of a public street located on Mission Avenue, and authorize the Director of Engineering Services to execute Quitclaim Deeds of the adjoining parcels associated with the CarMax/Lowes development project on West Mission Avenue. (File No. 0690-30)

Staff Recommendation: Approval **(Engineering Services: Ed Domingue)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-26

6. 2010 ANNUAL HOUSING REPORT – Request Council authorize staff to submit the 2010 Annual Housing Report on the City's progress on Housing Element Implementation to the State Offices of Planning and Research and Department of Housing and Community Development. (File No. 0875-70)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Housing Division: Roni Keiser)**

Councilmember Gallo asked if the Mobilehome rental subsidy would be discussed.

Roni Keiser, Housing Manager, indicated that would be discussed in June.

Councilmember Waldron asked if an emergency shelter was being located in the hospital zone.

Roni Keiser, Housing Manager, stated that issue would be discussed when the new Housing Element came to the Council for their review**.**

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to authorize staff to submit the 2010 Annual Housing Report on the City's progress on Housing Element Implementation to the State Offices of Planning and Research and Department of Housing and Community Development. Motion carried unanimously.

7. MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL BALLPARK BUDGET ADJUSTMENT – Request Council and Community Development Commission approve a budget adjustment that will place $91,630 into the Community Development Commission (CDC) budget for ongoing consulting services pertaining to the development of a minor league ballpark; and authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with Overland Pacific and Cutler Inc. in the amount of $15,000 to evaluate potential relocation issues and a second amendment to the contract with Helix Environmental in the amount of $5,000 for additional environmental consulting services. (File No. 0430-80)

Staff Recommendation: Approval **(City Manger's Office: Joyce Masterson)**

Roy Garrett, Escondido, voiced concern with the consultant agreement.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Waldron and seconded by Mayor Abed to approve a budget adjustment that will place $91,630 into the Community Development Commission (CDC) budget for ongoing consulting services pertaining to the development of a minor league ballpark; and authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with Overland Pacific and Cutler Inc. in the amount of $15,000 to evaluate potential relocation issues and a second amendment to the contract with Helix Environmental in the amount of $5,000 for additional environmental consulting services. Ayes: Morasco, Waldron and Abed. Noes: Diaz and Gallo. Absent: None. Motion carried.

8. LOAN FROM WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND AND TERMS OF REPAYMENT – Request Council authorize evidencing a loan from the City's Wastewater Enterprise Fund providing for the terms and conditions of repayment. (File No. 0430-10)

Staff Recommendation: Approval **(City Attorney's Office: Jeffrey Epp and Finance Department: Gil Rojas)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-38

Councilmember Gallo expressed concern with the loan.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Diaz and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to authorize evidencing a loan from the City's Wastewater Enterprise Fund providing for the terms and conditions of repayment and adopt Resolution No. 2011-38. Ayes: Diaz, Morasco, Waldron and Abed. Noes: Gallo. Absent: None. Motion carried.

CONSENT - RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES (COUNCIL/CDC/RRB)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. ADOPTION OF THE 2010 CALIFORNIA BUILDING, RESIDENTIAL, ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING, MECHANICAL, AND GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODES WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS – Request Council adopt the 2010 California Building, Residential, Electrical,

Plumbing, Mechanical, and Green Building Standards Codes with local amendments. (File No. 0680-50)

Staff Recommendation: Approval **(Community Development/Building: Barbara Redlitz)**

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-02RR Second Reading and Adoption

Joe Russo, Building Official, gave the staff report and presented a series of slides.

Mayor Abed opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak on this issue in any way. No one asked to be heard. Therefore, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Waldron to adopt the 2010 California Building, Residential, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, and Green Building Standards Codes with local amendments and adopt Ordinance No. 2011-02RR. Motion carried unanimously.

10. AFFORDABLE HOUSING REDEVELOPMENT LOCATED AT 1282 N. BROADWAY; 141, 211 AND 221 El NORTE PARKWAY – Request the Commission 1) Authorize encumbrance of future funds up to $1.9 million dollars for tenant relocation expenses and development of affordable multi-family housing, and 2) Authorize the CDC Chair and Secretary to execute the necessary loan and security agreements in form acceptable to the City Attorney. (File No. 0875-55)

Staff Recommendation: Approval **(Housing Division: Roni Keiser)**

CDC RESOLUTION NO. 2011-03

Roni Keiser, Housing Manager, gave the staff report and presented a series of slides.

Mayor Abed opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak on this issue in any way.

Ellen Medeiros, Fallbrook, stated she was a disabled veteran and asked Council to approve the project for other disabled veterans.

Kim Albino, Escondido, indicated Community Housing Works provided many amenities for children.

Lisa Romero and Maria Aguilar, Escondido, listed how Community Housing Works had helped them and other families in their apartment complex and asked Council to support their request.

Rosa Romero, Escondido, stated Community Housing Works gave her a nice place to live.

Marjorie Frye, Escondido, urged Council to approve the project.

Rodrigo Arreola, Escondido, indicated that Community Housing Works had helped him study and to keep his grades up.

Carmen Amigon, Escondido, stated Community Housing Works helped families be part of the solution to end poverty.

Mayor Abed asked if anyone else wanted to speak on this issue in any way. No one asked to be heard. Therefore, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to authorize encumbrance of future funds up to $1.9 million dollars for tenant relocation expenses and development of affordable multi-family housing, authorize the CDC Chair and Secretary to execute the necessary loan

and security agreements in form acceptable to the City Attorney and adopt CDC Resolution No 2011-03. Motion carried unanimously.

CURRENT BUSINESS

11. NORTH COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT MOBILITY STUDY – Presentation by North County Transit Representative. (File No. 0145-70)

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File (**Engineering Services: Ed Domingue)**

Ed Domingue, Engineering Services Director, introduced Tom Lichterman and Tim McCormich, North County Transit District, who presented a series and gave the report.

COUNCIL ACTION: NO ACTION, INFORMATION ONLY

12. APPOINTMENTS TO LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION – Request Council ratify the Mayor's recommendations to fill two regular appointments to serve on the Library Board of Trustees for a three-year term expiring on March 31, 2014; and one unscheduled vacancy on the Historic Preservation Commission, term to expire March 31, 2014. (File No. 0120-10)

Staff Recommendation: Ratify Appointments **(City Clerk's Office: Marsha Whalen)**

MOTION: Moved by Mayor Abed and seconded by Councilmember Waldron to ratify appointment of Alex Galenes and Mirek Gorny to the Library Board of Trustees. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Moved by Mayor Abed and seconded by Councilmember Diaz to ratify appointment of Ashley Christensen to the Historic Preservation Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

13. COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT ON DOWNTOWN PARKING REGULATIONS – Presentation of recommendations from the Council Parking Subcommittee. (File No. 0610-55)

Staff Recommendation: Provide direction to staff to amend City codes to eliminate parking requirements in the Downtown Parking District **(City Manager's Office: Charles Grimm)**

Charles Grimm, Assistant City Manager, gave the staff report and presented a series of slides.

THIS ITEM WAS CONTINUED TO THE MARCH 23, 2011 MEETING

FUTURE AGENDA

14. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - The purpose of this item is to identify issues presently known to staff or which members of the Council wish to place on an upcoming City Council agenda. Council comment on these future agenda items is limited by California Government Code Section 54954.2 to clarifying questions, brief announcements, or requests for factual information in connection with an item when it is discussed

Staff Recommendation: None **(City Clerk's Office: Marsha Whalen)**

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS/BRIEFING

Councilmember Waldron indicated the League of California Cities urged the Governor not to take the redevelopment funds.

Councilmember Morasco stated that a campaign with the schools to participate in anti-graffiti zones around each school be explored.

Councilmember Gallo noted several properties that needed code enforcement involvement and that April 20, 2011 was the deadline to find a rooftop upon which a nationally recognized artist could paint a flag so Escondido could be part of the 50 Flags in 50 States Campaign.

Mayor Abed read a letter from a resident thanking a City employee for helping with a sewer problem.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

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