Safety Facilities Oversight Committee

Parkview Room 201 N. Broadway Escondido, CA 92025

> Minutes March 12, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Safety Facilities Oversight Committee meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 12, 2009 in the Parkview Room at Escondido City Hall by Chairman Carl Skaja.

ATTENDANCE:

The following members were present: Chairman Carl Skaja, Larry Lynch, Jim Fraker, Darol Caster and Richard Marino.

Also present were:

Jeff Epp, City Attorney; **Joyce Masterson**, Assistant to the City Manager; **Sam McCuskey**, McCuskey Group; **George Bennett,** Field Engineering; **Mike Lowry**, Fire Chief; **John Houchin**, Police Department; **Lisa Palmer**, Finance; and **Nancy Boyd**, Minutes Clerk.

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF January 8, 2009

Approved

2. UPDATE ON EMINENT DOMAIN PROCESS FOR FIRE STATION #6

Jeff Epp, City Attorney, explained to the committee the process required for the acquisition of land for Fire Station #6 and the reasons for using outside counsel rather than city attorneys.

3. REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORT

Lisa Palmer, Finance, presented the Financial Report for the period ending January 31, 2009.

On March 25, 2009, Joyce Masterson will be presenting an updated financial report to the City Council. She will be requesting that we use interest on the bonds, which is approximately 7 million dollars, for the additional expenditures on the Police and Fire Facility. She will also be asking to transfer remaining funds from Fire Stations #3 and #7 to Fire Station #6 to cover additional expenditures at that location.

It was reported that Park Funds will be transferred to pay for their portion of Fire Station #6 legal fees. It has been suggested by City Staff that the legal fees for Fire Station #6 be split 50-50 between Prop P and Park Funds.

Committee members concurred that legal fees should be split the same as land fees 1/3 to 2/3. A motion was made and unanimously passed by the members that the fees be split 2/3 from General Fund to 1/3 from Prop P Funds.

4. UPDATE ON POLICE AND FIRE FACILITY

Sam McCuskey, McCuskey Group, reported on the status of the Police and Fire Facility. Substantial completion date is Fall 2009 and following the completion of punch list items and training, the operational/occupancy date is estimated to be January 2010.

The committee asked about using Reidy Creek. Joyce indicated she would ask Bill Martin to attend the next meeting to discuss limitations of its use.

5. UPDATE ON FIRE STATIONS PROJECT

George Bennett, Field Engineering, reported on the status of Fire Station #1. Estimated completion date is the end of May or first part of June 2009. It will take about four weeks to complete the punch list and training. Move-in date is estimated to be mid-July 2009.

6. ORAL COMMUNICATION

"Under State law, all items under Oral Communications can have no action and will be referred to the staff for administrative action or scheduled on a subsequent agenda."

This is the opportunity for members of the public to address the committee on any item of business within the jurisdiction of the committee.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting is May 14, 2009, at 4:30 p.m.