

## **MINUTES**

Agenda - Regular Meeting of the Sierra Madre City Council,  
Successor Agency and Public Finance Authority  
Tuesday, June 14, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.  
City Hall Council Chambers, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024  
and  
Council Member Denise Delmar via  
teleconference from Holiday Inn Express  
1836 El Camino Real, Redwood City, CA 94063

Mayor, Gene Goss, opened the Regular Meeting of the Sierra Madre City Council, Successor Agency and Public Finance Authority at 6:00 p.m. The Mayor asked for public comment and there was none, therefore the Mayor immediately recessed to closed session. The City Council returned from closed session at 6:30 p.m. City Clerk, Melinda Carrillo, read the roll, noting that all City Council members were present.

### **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Present: Gene Goss, Mayor, Rachele Arizmendi, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Members, Denise Delmar, John Capoccia and John Harabedian.

Absent: None

Also Present: Elaine Aguilar, City Manager  
Teresa Highsmith, City Attorney  
Vincent Gonzalez, Director of Planning and Community Preservation  
Larry Giannone, Safety Director and Police Chief  
Marcie Medina, Finance Director  
Steve Heydorff, Fire Chief  
Elisa Cox, Assistant City Manager  
James Carlson, Management Analyst  
Bruce Inman, Director of Public Works  
Joe Ortiz, Captain, Sierra Madre Police Department  
Melinda Carrillo, City Clerk

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION/INSPIRATION**

Mayor Pro Tem Arizmendi, led the Pledge of Allegiance and followed with an excerpt from President Obama's statement immediately following the Orlando killings of dozens of innocent people. Mayor Pro Tem then asked for a minute of silence.

### **REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

City Attorney Highsmith reported the Council met in closed session to receive a briefing on a worker's compensation claim. Council provided direction but no action was taken.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rachele Arizmendi

Seconded: Council Member John Harabedian

Ayes: Mayor Gene Goss, Mayor Pro Tem Rachele Arizmendi, Council Members John Capoccia, John Harabedian and Denise Delmar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON MAY 10, 2016**

Moved: Council Member John Harabedian

Seconded: Mayor Pro Tem Rachelle Arizmendi

Ayes: Mayor Gene Goss, Mayor Pro Tem Rachelle Arizmendi, Council Members John Capoccia, John Harabedian and Denise Delmar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

### **MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

- 1) Council Member Harabedian expressed his sympathy regarding the Orlando killings and said his heart is with Orlando and the LGBT community. A horrific day for this country and my prayers are with them.
- 2) Council Member Capoccia noted that the Metro has approved a draft of the R2 tax initiative to fund transportation projects with a half cent rise in sales tax. Metro or L.A. County will vote on Thursday. A couple things to report: Approximately 16% of the money will come to the San Gabriel Valley and the local cities' return will increase from 16% up to 20% in outer years which should be great for the cities to receive extra money to make road improvements; 49% is for transit and the Gold Line extension to Montclair; 28% is for highway efficiency to correct some of the hotspots by the 57 and 60 freeway interchange and improve the backup problem on the 210; 7% is for active transportation for bikeways and walk paths; 7% is demand based such as high occupancy vehicles; 6% is for mobile connectivity and 2% is for IT. I'm excited for this yet not thrilled about the tax increase. Lastly, none of the money will be for funding the 710 extension which is great news.
- 3) Mayor Gene Goss congratulated Pete Siberell for an outstanding Mount Wilson Trail Race and also congratulated all the participants. The Mayor had a blast participating at the end of the race giving away the trophies and medals.
- 4) Mayor Pro Tem Arizmendi and Council Member Delmar had nothing to report.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Shannon King, Member of the Library Board of Trustees, had an update regarding Library activities. The Animal Magic Show kicked off the summer program on Saturday, and it was a packed house. Please stop by the Library to get more information and participate in the 2016 Summer Reading Program.

*Mayor Goss closed public comment.*

### **PRESENTATIONS**

- James Osterling, PCC Board of Trustees presented and introduced the new Superintendent/President of Pasadena City College, Rajen Vurdien, PhD.
- Mayor Gene Goss presented a certificate of recognition to Creative Arts Group volunteer, David Williams.
- Assistant City Manager, Elisa Cox presented and introduced the new Sierra Madre Library and Community Services Director, Ryan Baker.
- Larry Giannone, Safety Director and Police Chief, presented and introduced two new Sierra Madre Police Officers and Police Department Dispatcher, Mark P. Deem. Officer Raymond B. So and Officer Luis A. Castillo were sworn in by City Clerk, Melinda Carrillo.

## **AGENDA ACTION ITEMS**

\*Elaine Aguilar, City Manager, gave the following report under the Consent Calendar.

### **1. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a) ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 16-37 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE APPROVING CERTAIN DEMANDS

Recommendation that the City Council approve Resolution 16-37 for approval of payment of City Warrants in aggregate amount of \$238,806.52; Library warrants in the aggregate amount of \$1,558.19, and payroll transfer in the aggregate amount of \$288,326.90 for fiscal year ending June 2016.

- b) EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY POLICE SERVICES CONTRACT WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Recommendation that the City Council approve the extension Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Agreement and direct staff to include the necessary funding, in the amount of \$400,000, in the 2016-2017 budget.

- c) CITY COUNCIL LIAISON APPOINTMENTS

Recommendation that the City Council accept the Mayor's revised assignment to the Planning Commission.

- d) RESOLUTION 16-40 ADOPTING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE AND POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION AND ADOPTING THE AMENDED CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND SALARY MATRIX; RESOLUTION 16-38 ELIMINATING THE PERCENTAGE PAID BY THE EMPLOYER OF THE EMPLOYEES' CONTRIBUTION TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR FULL- TIME SAFETY EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE POLICE ASSOCIATION; RESOLUTION 16-39 ELIMINATING THE PERCENTAGE PAID BY THE EMPLOYER OF THE EMPLOYEES' CONTRIBUTION TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR FULL-TIME MISCELLANEOUS EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE POLICE ASSOCIATION

Recommendation that the City Council approve Resolution 16-40 Adopting the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Sierra Madre and the Police Officers Association and the amending the Classification Plan and Salary Matrix; Resolution 16-38 and 16-39 Amending the Percentage paid by the Employer of the Employees' Contribution to CalPERS for full-time employees represented by the Police Association.

- e) FIRE HORN REVIEW

Recommendation that the City Council approve maintaining the City's Fire Horn weekly Friday 5:00 testing schedule.

- f) NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF HART PARK HOUSE SENIOR CENTER STORAGE ROOM ADDITION

Recommendation that the City Council accept the building improvements to the Hart Park House Senior Center as complete and direct staff to issue a Notice of Completion to the office of the Registrar- Recorder/County Clerk for the construction work done by contractor M.C. Alyea Construction, Inc.

g) **SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 1376 AMENDING CHAPTER 17.38 OF TITLE 17 OF THE SIERRA MADRE MUNICIPAL CODE**

Recommendation that the City Council introduce and approve for second reading, by title only, and waive further reading, Ordinance 1376 and direct the City Attorney to prepare a summary of Ordinance 1376 pursuant to Government Code Section 36933(c)(1).

*Mayor Goss opened for public comment but no input was given.*

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED**

Moved: Council Member John Capoccia

Seconded: Council Member John Harabedian

Ayes: Mayor Gene Goss, Mayor Pro Tem Rachele Arizmendi, Council Members John Capoccia, John Harabedian and Denise Delmar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**2. RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 16-35 APPROVING THE SIERRA MADRE 2015 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Recommendation that the City Council open a Public Hearing, read Resolution 16-35, by title only, and waive further reading of Resolution 16-35; adopting the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan.

\*Director of Public Works, Bruce Inman presented.

*Mayor Goss opened for public comment.*

- Barbara Lee Cline: Since we are not considered a wet land anymore, are we able to collect water now?
- Director Inman answered Barbara Lee Cline: We are actually designated as man-made wet lands, and we are able to maintain the basins on an annual basis. For the record, there has never been any restrictions on us for spreading water.

*Mayor Goss closed public comment.*

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 16-35 AS PRESENTED**

Moved: Council Member John Harabedian

Seconded: Mayor Pro Tem Rachele Arizmendi

Ayes: Mayor Gene Goss, Mayor Pro Tem Rachele Arizmendi, Council Members John Capoccia, John Harabedian and Denise Delmar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

**3. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF YOUTH SEAT TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION**

Recommendation that the City Council agree to consider the appointment to the Youth Seat of the Community Services Commission and select an appointee.

\*City Manager, Elaine Aguilar introduced the applicants, Emma Marie Allen and Owen Braudrick.

*Mayor Goss opened for public comment but no input was given.*

\*Owen Braudrick was nominated for the Youth Seat of the Community Services Commission by unanimous consensus from the City Council.

**4. RECOMMENDATION THAT THE CITY COUNCIL SUBMIT A LETTER IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION SB 1283 REGARDING REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR GROUP HOMES**

Recommendation that the City Council direct staff to prepare a letter of support for Senate Bill 1283 – Substance abuse: Structured Sober Living Homes by Senator Patricia Bates.

\*Director of Planning and Community Preservation, Vincent Gonzalez presented.

*Mayor Goss opened for public comment.*

- Barbara Lee Cline: Supports such a letter
- Emmett McGuire: Supports a letter for Senate Bill 1283

*Mayor Goss closed public comment.*

**APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF A LETTER FOR SENATE BILL 1283 AS PRESENTED**

Moved: Council Member John Harabedian

Seconded: Mayor Gene Goss

Ayes: Mayor Gene Goss, Mayor Pro Tem Rachele Arizmendi, Council Members John Capoccia, John Harabedian and Denise Delmar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**5. RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 16-36 CONTINUING PHASE III WATER CONSERVATION**

Recommendation that the City Council adopt Resolution 16-36 continuing Phase III water conservation per Sierra Madre Municipal Code 13.24.100 and extending the existing moratorium on new or enlarged water service connections under the provisions of SMMC 13.24.220

\*Director of Public Works, Bruce Inman presented.

Mayor Goss opened for public comment.

- Barry Gold: Supports the continuation of the existing water moratorium

Mayor Goss closed public comment.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 16-36 AS PRESENTED**

Moved: Council Member John Capoccia

Seconded: Council Member John Harabedian

Ayes: Mayor Gene Goss, Mayor Pro Tem Rachelle Arizmendi, Council Members John Capoccia, John Harabedian and Denise Delmar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Mayor Pro Tem Arizmendi added that she is the liaison for Collaborate Pasadena, and it conflicts with her liaison assignment with the Library Trustee meeting every fourth Wednesday of the month. Council Member Capoccia is willing to take her place. City Manager Aguilar will place it on a future agenda.

**ADJOURNMENT at 8:44 p.m.**

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rachelle Arizmendi

Seconded: Council Member John Harabedian

Ayes: Mayor Gene Goss, Mayor Pro Tem Rachelle Arizmendi, Council Members John Capoccia, John Harabedian and Denise Delmar

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None



Gene Goss, Mayor

Minutes taken and typed by:



Melinda Carrillo

City Clerk