

## MINUTES

### DUARTE CITY COUNCIL/DUARTE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD SPECIAL JOINT MEETING – TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2004

The City Council of the City of Duarte and the Board of Directors of the Duarte Unified School District met in a Special Joint Meeting in the Duarte Community Center, 1600 Huntington Drive, Duarte, California. Mayor Fasana and Chairperson Figueroa called the meeting to order at 5:42 p.m.

#### PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Joilyn Campitiello led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### ROLL CALL

##### CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: Finlay, Gaston, Paras, Reyes, Fasana

ABSENT: None

##### SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESENT: Bell, Brooks, Diaz, Figueroa

ABSENT: Kawasaki

##### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Duff

Superintendent Gutierrez

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Reyes moved, Paras seconded to adopt the Agenda, as amended to consider Item 6.B (Joint Use Library Update) prior to Item 6.A. (Historic Timeline), and carried unanimously.

Bell moved, Diaz seconded to adopt the Agenda, as amended, and carried unanimously.

#### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

##### Joint Use Library Update

Karen Herrera, Assistant to the City Manager, presented an update about the joint use library, described the third funding cycle process, displayed a perspective and floor plan for the proposed 17,200 square foot project, stated a delegation took post cards to Sacramento, and noted the hearing date is November 2004.

##### Historic Timeline of City and School District Collaboration

Jess Duff, City Manager, provided a historic timeline of the City and District collaboration, which included a recap of 25 years of cooperation, and discussed the development of the park system, youth programs, sports parks, parks at schools, education park project, teen center, skate park, and numerous programs that impact students' lives.

##### Skate Park

Donna Georgino, Director of Parks and Recreation, provided an update on the Duarte Skate Park, noted it has been one year since the skate park opened, and discussed re-landscaping by the Field Services Department, maintenance, patrolling enforcement, and great location.

##### Applied Research Program

Janet Manrique, Cecelia Milano, and Joilyn Campitiello provided information about the Applied Research program, described features of the program, funding, required materials, progress of 1700 students served, and growth points, and thanked the City for its continued support.

##### Sacramento Student Field Trips

Miriam Fox discussed the process for selection of 80 students from Northview to visit Sacramento, stated in addition to a tour of the State Capitol, students met with legislators and visited museums, and noted the trip was funded 50% by the City, 25% by the Education Foundation, and 25% was generated by the students.

District Musical Jeannie Murphy stated the District's first musical was in Spring 2003, the second musical was Spring 2004, and stated the City's \$5,000 contribution helped the students and the community.

Parks/Facilities Alan Johnson discussed the development and status of parks and facilities, stated when travelling with sports teams to other communities, Duarte's facilities and field maintenance are vastly superior, expressed appreciation to Donna Georgino, stated staff is professional and cooperative, and provided information about the Performing Arts Center and bond issues.

ITEMS – CITY COUNCIL AND SCHOOL BOARD City Councilmembers congratulated the School Board on the API scores, and extended personal thanks for the teachers, reading program, and pre-school program.

School Boardmembers expressed appreciation to the City Council for the excellent partnership and working relationship, thanked staff for their efforts by working after hours, and presented Jess Duff with a school bell and a Resolution of Recognition for his 25 years of service to the community and for the partnership between the City and the School District.

ADJOURNMENT Finlay moved, Paras seconded to adjourn the Special Joint Meeting at 7:07 p.m., and carried unanimously.

Bell moved, Diaz seconded to adjourn the Special Joint Meeting at 7:07 p.m., and carried unanimously.

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Mayor John Fasana

ATTEST:

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City Clerk