

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 9, 2004

The City Council of the City of Duarte met in a regular meeting in the Council Chambers, 1600 Huntington Drive, Duarte, California. Mayor Fasana called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG	Janelle Magnusson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
MOMENT OF REFLECTION	A silent moment of reflection was observed.
RECORDATION OF ATTENDANCE	The following were in attendance: PRESENT: Finlay, Gaston, Paras, Reyes, Fasana ABSENT: None ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: City Manager George, City Attorney Slater
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Finlay moved, Reyes seconded to adopt the Agenda, and carried unanimously.
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Jan Wight, Duarte Chamber of Commerce, announced Good Morning Duarte on November 16 at Duffer's, open house at Able Card Corporation, presentation of Community Service Awards at Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on November 24, and Hats Off to Duarte on November 10. Pui-Ching Ho, Duarte Library, announced Children's Book Week event on November 20 at 2:00 p.m. Kristen Petersen announced Veteran's Day event at Thorsen Park, November 10, at 10:00 a.m. Karen Herrera announced Holiday of Promise kick-off event on November 24, and stated there will be 50 collection sites.
FISCAL AFFAIRS	Finlay moved, Gaston seconded to approve payment to the Southern California Edison Company, and carried with Fasana abstaining due to a declared conflict of interest. Finlay moved, Gaston seconded to approve the remainder of Fiscal Affairs, and carried unanimously.
SPECIAL ITEMS Blue Star Banner Program	Kristen Petersen, Assistant to the City Manager, stated the Blue Star Banner Program salutes and honors the families of Duartean serving in the Armed Forces. Mayor Fasana presented a blue star banner to the family of Kyle Williams, and congratulations were extended.
Red Ribbon Week Contest	Abby Lai, Crime Prevention Specialist, introduced Red Ribbon Week essay and art contest winners. Mayor Fasana presented the contest winners with Certificates of Appreciation and a savings bond from Western State Bank, and congratulations were extended.
Duarte's Promise Fellows	Karen Herrera, Assistant to the City Manager, introduced new Duarte's Promise Fellows Cristy Brizuela, Javier Diaz, and Ashley Day, and provided information about their assignments.
PUBLIC HEARING Council Bill 04-R-31 Construction/Demolition Fees	Mayor Fasana announced this was the time and place set for a Public Hearing to consider adopting a schedule of fees and charges for services.
Council Bill 04-R-32 Handicap Parking Citation Fee	City Attorney Slater asked City Clerk Akana if notice of the hearing had been given. Akana stated the notice had been given and the affidavit was on file.

Mayor Fasana asked if any written communications had been filed in the matter. Akana stated there were none.

Slater read by title Council Bill 04-R-31:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR SERVICES PERTAINING TO CHAPTER 6.10, CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION WASTE DIVERSION

Finlay moved, Paras seconded to waive further reading of Council Bill 04-R-31, and carried unanimously.

Slater read by title Council Bill 04-R-32:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE FOR ISSUANCE OF HANDICAPPED PARKING CITATIONS THAT ARE LATER DISMISSED PURSUANT TO SECTION 11.12.041 OF THE DUARTE MUNICIPAL CODE

Finlay moved, Reyes seconded to waive further reading of Council Bill 04-R-32, and carried unanimously.

Petersen presented a staff report about the cost recovery fees related to the construction and demolition ordinance, and the handicap parking citation dismissal administrative fee.

Mayor Fasana asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on this matter. There were none.

Finlay moved, Reyes seconded to close the Public Hearing, and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 04-31
RESOLUTION NO. 04-32

Finlay moved, Gaston seconded to adopt Resolution No. 04-31 and Resolution No. 04-32, and carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Reyes moved, Finlay seconded to approve the Consent Calendar, as follows, and carried unanimously.
Approve Items A, B.
Deny Item C.

COUNCIL BILL
Council Bill 04-R-30
Employer's Contribution
Medical/Hospital Care Act

Slater read by title Council Bill 04-R-30:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, ELECTING TO BE SUBJECT TO THE MEYERS-GEDDES STATE EMPLOYEES MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL CARE ACT AND FIXING THE EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 04-30

Finlay moved, Paras seconded to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 04-30, and carried unanimously.

CITY MANAGER
Duarte's Promise Resource Guide

Karen Herrera, Assistant to the City Manager, presented a staff report about the printing costs associated with the Duarte's Promise Resource Guide, and displayed a sample copy.

Finlay moved, Reyes seconded to approve the printing of 4,000 Duarte's Promise Resource Guide Publications at a cost of \$16,560.86, with an appropriation of \$11,560 from general fund reserves, per staff recommendation, and carried unanimously.

Gold Line Station Design and
Art Review Committee (SDAR)

Karen Herrera presented a staff report about the process relating to the selection of station design features, landscaping, and

artists for Gold Line Stations, and provided information about the Station Design and Art Review Committee.

Reyes moved, Finlay seconded to approve the Gold Line Station Design and Art Review Committee structure, as presented by the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Authority, and approve the membership of the five person committee to include two members of the Architectural Review Board to be named by City staff, Mark Wood and Saralyn Lowenstein as the two community at-large members, and Susan Wyninegar as the representative from the City of Hope Medical Center, per staff recommendation, and carried unanimously.

Award of Contract – Traffic Signals – Huntington/Crestfield Mountain/Home Depot/Wal-Mart Pete & Sons Construction, Inc.

Ed Cox, Director of Community Development, provided a staff report about the installation of the traffic signals, and answered questions from Councilmembers pertaining to cost, timeline, and notification.

Finlay moved, Reyes seconded to award the contract to Pete & Sons Construction, Inc., for Construction of Traffic Signals at Huntington Drive/Crestfield Drive and Mountain Avenue/Home Depot/Wal-Mart, per staff recommendation, authorize execution by the Mayor, and carried unanimously.

ITEMS FROM COUNCIL

REYES: 1) Invited all families with loved ones serving in the Armed Forces to participate in the Blue Star Banner Program; and 2) Suggested a letter thanking Tim Lowry for his efforts in taking on the idea of a parade and for his service to the City be sent to him, as he is moving out of town.

GASTON: 1) Stated the Blue Star Banner Program is a great way to recognize military men and women; 2) Thanked all who participated in the Red Ribbon Week art and essay program; 3) Stated she attended several grand openings of businesses, and was impressed with Hungry Howie's and SCE Credit Union; 4) Thanked staff for making arrangements for a tour of the Vulcan facility; and 5) Stated Ed Houlemarde requested a round table discussion with those who oversee and participate in youth programs, and provided a copy of the information to the City Manager for staff review and follow-up.

FINLAY: 1) Thanked all who participated in the Household Hazardous Waste Roundup, and presented a breakdown of the amount of waste collected; and 2) Provided statistics relating to the West Nile Virus, and stated the worst was avoided.

PARAS: 1) Stated the Halloween Howl event was great, and there was a large turnout; 2) Announced the Community Services Council is working with the Holiday of Promise to collect canned foods, clothing, and toys for family baskets; 3) Suggested a staff presentation at a future City Council meeting pertaining to the City's website; 4) Thanked all who lobby for the library for their efforts; and 5) Stated the School District musical in April 2005 will be Fiddler on the Roof, and stated it is a wonderful event for youth participation.

FASANA: 1) Stated with regard to the website, there could be budget implications and maintenance requirements, and this may need to be discussed during the budget process; 2) Stated at the League meeting, the City of Duarte was presented with a certificate for its outstanding efforts to pass Proposition 1A on the November 2004 statewide ballot; 3) Noted there will be legislative sessions at the Federal and State levels soon, and

suggested an item be agendized in January concerning legislative strategy for the year, to identify opportunities that should be targeted, as well as to make sure our positions are looked at; 4) Stated the City Council and community will need to monitor the proposed expansion at Azusa Rock; and 5) Stated he received a presentation from AQMD regarding Irwindale's mining monitoring, and provided copies to the City Manager for distribution to City Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Finlay moved, Reyes seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m., and carried unanimously.

Mayor John Fasana

ATTEST:

City Clerk