

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 25, 2006

CLOSED SESSION	<p>At 5:00 p.m., a Closed Session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, Conference with Labor Negotiators; Designated City Representatives: Darrell George, Steve Filarsky; Employee Organization: Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 347. The Closed Session concluded at 6:45 p.m.</p> <p>The City Council of the City of Duarte met in a regular meeting in the Council Chambers, 1600 Huntington Drive, Duarte, California. Mayor Paras-Caracci called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.</p>
RECORDATION OF ATTENDANCE	<p>The following were in attendance: PRESENT: Fasana, Finlay, Gaston, Reyes, Paras-Caracci ABSENT: None ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: City Manager George, City Attorney Slater</p>
PLEDGE TO THE FLAG	<p>Gerald Delker led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.</p>
MOMENT OF REFLECTION	<p>A silent moment of reflection was observed.</p>
FITNESS WARM-UP	<p>Cesar, YMCA staff member, led the group in a series of warm-up exercises.</p>
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	<p>Finlay moved, Gaston seconded to adopt the Agenda, and carried unanimously.</p>
PUBLIC REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION	<p>George stated the City Council met in a Closed Session at 5:00 p.m. pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, Conference with Labor Negotiators; Designated City Representatives: Darrell George, Steve Filarsky; Employee Organization: Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 347. Information about the matter was presented to the City Council, and staff was directed to provide additional information, with no action taken.</p>
ANNOUNCEMENTS	<p>Pui-Ching Ho, Duarte Library, announced Joy of Chinese Cooking event on May 20 at 2:00 p.m.</p> <p>Jan Wight, Duarte Chamber of Commerce, announced State of the School District on May 3, and Chamber's 85th Installation on June 2.</p> <p>Karen Herrera announced Duarte Kiwanis Vaccination Fair on May 6 at Maxwell School, Foothill Unity Center's mail carriers food drive on May 13, and Gold Line Community Meeting on May 16, 6:30 p.m., at the Duarte Community Center.</p> <p>Gerald Delker, Duarte Elks, announced Mother's Day breakfast on May 14, Veteran's picnic and show on July 1, and Flag Day event on June 15.</p> <p>Lino Paras, Route 66 Parade Committee, announced fundraising raffle with \$1,000 grand prize will be awarded at the City Picnic.</p>
FISCAL AFFAIRS	<p>Fasana moved, Finlay seconded to approve Fiscal Affairs, and carried unanimously.</p>
SPECIAL ITEMS Gerald Delker – Duarte Elks	<p>Mayor Paras-Caracci presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Gerald Delker for his installation as Exalted Ruler of the Duarte Elks Lodge 1427, and congratulations were extended.</p>

Duarte Route Sixty-Sixers	Mayor Paras-Caracci introduced basketball players who participated in the Duarte Route 66 Hoop Challenge, and presented them with Certificates of Appreciation. Mayor Pro Tem Gaston presented Mayor Paras-Caracci with a Certificate, and congratulations were extended.
AQMD – Monitoring Station	<p>Bea LaPisto-Kirtley and Rudy Eden, South Coast Air Quality Management District, presented a particulate sampling program update, and discussed efforts to quantify crystalline silica, particulate fallout sampling results, fallout sample conclusions, and future activities.</p> <p>Gary Nawa, Duarte, inquired about counts, data, and statistics. Representatives from the AQMD responded.</p>
RECESS	Mayor Paras-Caracci called a Recess at 8:05 p.m. City Council reconvened at 8:12 p.m., with all members present.
CONSENT CALENDAR	<p>Gaston requested Item E be removed from the Consent Calendar. Reyes moved, Fasana seconded to approve the Consent Calendar, as follows, and carried unanimously.</p> <p>Approve Items A, B, C. Receive and file Item D. Remove Item E.</p>
Item Removed (Item E)	<p>Item E – Designation of Councilmember Phillip Reyes as City of Duarte representative to join artist Richard Meyer for inspection of bronze statue mold per Fabrication Agreement dated April 1, 2006. Gaston asked if this trip is included in the amount that was previously approved, and inquired why a member of the Duarte in Bronze Committee is not going. George stated the Fabrication Agreement includes the inspection and approval of the mold, and the artist asked for someone else to go with him. Reyes stated no one on the Committee wanted to go.</p> <p>Fasana moved, Finlay seconded to approve Item E, and carried unanimously.</p>
COUNCIL BILLS Council Bill 06-O-03 Zone Change 06-1 (Second Reading)	<p>Slater read by title Council Bill 06-O-03:</p> <p>AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, REVISING THE DUARTE MUNICIPAL CODE BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF SIX PARCELS OF LAND FROM R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL); THREE PARCELS OF LAND FROM MOUNTAIN COMMERCIAL SPECIFIC PLAN TO C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL); AND SIX PARCELS OF LAND FROM R-3 (MULTIPLE RESIDENTIAL – MEDIUM DENSITY) TO C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) (Zone Change 06-1) (Second Reading)</p>
ORDINANCE NO. 783	Finlay moved, Fasana seconded to waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 783, and carried unanimously.
Council Bill 06-R-15 Supports Prop 81 State Library Construction Bond	<p>Slater read by title Council Bill 06-R-15:</p> <p>A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING PROPOSITION 81, THE 2006 CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION BOND</p>
RESOLUTION NO. 06-15	Finlay moved, Fasana seconded to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 06-15, and carried unanimously.
Council Bill 06-R-16 Supports FY 2007 CDBG funding	<p>Slater read by title Council Bill 06-R-16:</p> <p>A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING \$4.35 BILLION IN FY 2007 FUNDING FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM</p>

RESOLUTION NO. 06-16

Finlay moved, Gaston seconded to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 06-16, and carried unanimously.

CITY MANAGER
Reimbursement for Expenses
Policy Statement

Kristen Petersen provided a staff report about the recommendation to approve the Reimbursement for Expenses Policy Statement, and discussed the current policy, proposed policy, and sample policy prepared by the Institute for Local Government based on the requirements of AB 1234 which became effective January 1, 2006.

There was discussion about memberships, corrected amount of \$65 for daily total meal reimbursement (Item 5.C), and corrected amount of \$250 for maximum lodging rate (Item 6.E.2). It was suggested the term "industry standards" be used for baggage handling fee (Item 6.G), the letterhead policy be clarified (Item 2.B), and a due date be included on the Advance Form.

Fasana moved, Finlay seconded to have suggested corrections and revisions made to the Reimbursement for Expenses Policy Statement, and that it be brought back to Council in final form, and carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following spoke on items not on the Agenda:
Henry Baltazar – Duarte Falcon Foundation financial summaries.
Alton Preston – Booster Club, 2005 fireworks application.
Liz Reilly – Duarte Falcon Booster Club, fireworks procedures.
Christine Vasquez – Soccer clinic, Booster Club.
Tom Reyes – Booster Club, parent volunteer work.
Fabian Velazquez – Booster Club, DYAC application.
Lino Paras – Fireworks license procedures.
Angie Ysassi – Booster Club, Alton Preston.
Mrs. Waters – Alton Preston.
Mark John – School sports, Mr. Preston.

ITEMS FROM COUNCIL

FINLAY: 1) Read a letter addressed to City Councilmembers from the Duarte Falcon Foundation indicating they would not be in attendance at tonight's Council Meeting at the request of the School District; and 2) Stated staff is following up on the proposed Cal Am Water proposed rate increase.

FASANA: Inquired about the proposed Cal Am Water rates. George responded, and stated he will report back to Council when the rates are finalized.

GASTON: 1) Thanked those who attended the services for Eric Buckley, and stated the assailant has been apprehended and jailed; 2) Thanked the City for donating books to the La Canada Flintridge Library on behalf of Dave Spence; and 3) Asked that a resolution concerning the Prop 42 initiatives be on a future Agenda, and provided information to the City Manager.

PARAS-CARACCI: 1) Suggested DCTV's program schedule of City Council meetings be consistent; and 2) Read a note of thanks from the Buckley family.

ADJOURNMENT

Finlay moved, Reyes seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m., to the Budget Workshop, Monday, May 1, 2006, 5:00 p.m., and carried unanimously.

Mayor Tzeitel Paras-Caracci

ATTEST:

City Clerk