

MINUTES

JOINT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF DUARTE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 9, 2009

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Pro Tem Finlay called to order the Joint City Council/Redevelopment Agency meeting at 5:09 p.m., with three members present (Fasana and Reyes arrived prior to the interviews).

ADOPTION OF AGENDA Gaston moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to adopt the Agenda, and carried unanimously.

INTERVIEWS At 5:10 p.m., the Duarte City Council held interviews for the Mayor's Youth Council and the Economic Development Commission. The interviews concluded at 6:40 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION
Anticipated Litigation At 6:40 p.m., a Closed Session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c); Conference with Legal Counsel; Anticipated Litigation/Initiation of Litigation; Number of potential cases: 1. The Closed Session concluded at 7:00 p.m.

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency of the City of Duarte met in an adjourned regular meeting in the Council Chambers, 1600 Huntington Drive, Duarte, California. Mayor Fasana reconvened the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

RECORDATION OF
ATTENDANCE The following were in attendance:
PRESENT: Finlay, Gaston, Paras-Caracci, Reyes, Fasana
ABSENT: None
ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: City Manager
George, City Attorney Slater

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG Ed Howard led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MOMENT OF REFLECTION A moment of reflection was observed.

FITNESS/MENTAL WARM-UP George and Finlay provided the warm-up.

PUBLIC REPORT OF
CLOSED SESSION Slater stated during the Closed Session, City Council received an update about the potential litigation, with no further action taken, and stated if this potential litigation becomes litigation, it will be reported at a future City Council Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Xilonin Cruz-Gonzalez announced Save Our Canyon meeting on June 17, 7:00 p.m., at Azusa Library Auditorium.

Reed Strege, Duarte Library, announced summer reading programs beginning June 22, College Planning Workshop on June 20, and Teen Space grand opening on June 18.

Miguel Mejia, DYAC, announced closing day ceremonies and tournament on June 13, displayed the trophy that will be presented to the winners of the Monrovia-Duarte All Stars, and introduced members of Carlos Fisher's family in the audience.

Gabriel Arellano, DYAC, introduced the 2009 Duarte Vipers baseball travel team.

K.C. Caracci announced the Route 66 Parade on September 19, stated the theme is "Journey Down the Mother Road," and requested that the City co-sponsor a community unity peace concert fundraising event on July 11 at the PAC Center.

Mark Montgomery announced Henry's Farmer's Market will open in Monrovia on June 17.

SPECIAL ITEMS
William Baczkowski
Eagle Scout Mayor Fasana introduced and congratulated William Backowski for earning the Eagle Scout rank, the highest award in scouting. Gaston stated she hopes we can let the President of the United States know what this young man has done.

Recognition – Track Team	Cesar Monsalve, Recreation Superintendent, described the Jr. Olympics track program. Mayor Fasana presented certificates to the participants who qualified for the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation Track Meet, and congratulations were extended.
Presentation – NLC Drug Prescription Program Update	George provided an update about the National League of Cities (NLC) Prescription Drug Program that is being offered by the City. Gaston asked that the City Manager provide the NLC Drug Prescription Program update to the Contract Cities Association City Manager’s Committee and General Membership as one of the solutions for 2009-10.
Presentation – Strategic Planning Update	George presented a status report on the six-month strategic plan developed by the City Council and management staff, and discussed the objectives. Mayor Fasana suggested revising Item 4 of the objectives pertaining to infrastructure to indicate that we are not pursuing this item, since the water agencies felt that it was not feasible at this time. Finlay moved, Gaston seconded to receive and file the strategic planning objectives update, with the revision of Item 4 as stated above, and carried unanimously.
ORAL COMMUNICATIONS	The following spoke on items not on the Agenda: Tom Reyes – Opposes Metro rail yard, petition. Carol Ciminelli – Farmer’s market advertising, PUC meeting. Gonzalo Murillo – Water rates, desalinization, MTA station. Tom Bea – Remove rail storage site from list. Dave Campbell–Opposes repair center, pollution, home values. Mirna Cornejo – Opposes rail station, health. Olga Arevalo – Impact on health, asthma. Michael Stanton–Opposes station, arrests, graffiti, bus drivers. Rosa Mendoza – Opposes railroad maintenance station, health.
ITEMS ADDED TO CONSENT	Finlay left the Council Chambers. Reyes moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to add City Council attendance at Father Ramirez/ Father Troxell’s farewell dinner on June 20, 5:30 p.m., at Immaculate Conception Church, and carried with Finlay absent from the vote.
CONSENT CALENDAR	Paras-Caracci moved, Reyes seconded to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended to add the above to Item I and to remove Item E, as follows, and carried with Finlay absent from the vote. Approve Items A, B, C, D, F, G, H, I. Remove Item E.
RESOLUTION NO. 09-17 Route 66 Parade	F. 09-R-17 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE DUARTE ROUTE 66 PARADE AND AGREEING TO ACCEPT LIABILITY AND MAINTENANCE FOR DETOURED TRAFFIC FROM THE MOUNT OLIVE OFF-RAMP
RESOLUTION NO. 09-18 Retention Schedule–HR Records	G. 09-R-18 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE ADOPTING A RECORDS RETENTION SCHEDULE FOR THE CITY’S HUMAN RESOURCES RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 09-19 Intent to Levy Assessments 2009-10 Lighting/Landscape Sets Public Hearing 7/28/09	H. 09-R-19 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 WITHIN THE CITYWIDE LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, PURSUANT TO THE LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ACT OF 1972; AND FIXING A TIME AND PLACE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR OBJECTIONS THERETO
ITEM REMOVED (Item E – Election Resolutions)	Slater described the four resolutions required for the November 3, 2009, General Municipal Election.

Item E approved	Paras-Caracci moved, Gaston seconded to approve Item E, and carried with Finlay absent from the vote.
RESOLUTION NO. 09-13 Calls Election – 11/3/09	E.1 09-R-13 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, CALLING FOR THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009, FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA RELATING TO GENERAL LAW CITIES
RESOLUTION NO. 09-14 Requests Consolidation	E.2 09-R-14 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO CONSOLIDATE A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2009, WITH THE DUARTE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE DATE PURSUANT TO § 10403 OF THE ELECTIONS CODE
RESOLUTION NO. 09-15 Candidate's Statements	E.3 09-04-15 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATE'S STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009
RESOLUTION NO. 09-16 Runoff Election if Tie Vote	E.4 09-04-16 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT OF A SPECIAL RUNOFF ELECTION FOR ELECTIVE OFFICES IN THE EVENT OF A TIE VOTE AT THE NOVEMBER 3, 2009, GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
ORDINANCE Council Bill 09-O-02 PERS Contract Amendment (Second Reading)	Slater read by title Council Bill 09-O-02: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DUARTE AND THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (Second Reading) There was discussion about not creating a long-term obligation, and the uncertainty of the State and County budgets.
ORDINANCE NO. 815	Gaston moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 815, and carried by the following Roll Call Vote: AYES: Gaston, Paras-Caracci, Reyes NOES: Fasana ABSENT: Finlay
BUSINESS ITEMS Consideration/Approval of 2009-10 City/Agency Budgets	George provided brief introductory comments about the proposed 2009-10 City of Duarte/Redevelopment Agency Budgets. Finlay returned to the Council Chambers and resumed her chair on the dais. Kristen Petersen provided a detailed overview of the Fiscal Year 2009-10 City and Redevelopment Agency Budgets, including a review of last year's budget, department highlights, preparation process, projected general fund revenues and expenditures, expenditure reductions, other City funds, Redevelopment Agency funds, summary, and future budget reports. There was discussion about possible future budget items, being pro-active, cost-saving measures, and reserves. Gaston moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to approve the 2009-10 City of Duarte and Redevelopment Agency budgets, and deter-

mine that the planning and administrative expenses included in the Affordable Housing Fund are necessary for the production, improvement, or preservation of low- and moderate-income housing, per staff recommendation, and carried unanimously.

Contract – Tyler Technologies Accounting/Payroll System

Gaston moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to authorize the City Manager to execute contract documents with Tyler Technologies for finance and human resources related software, and carried unanimously.

Appointment of Councilmember Youth/Families Master Plan Interview Panel

There was discussion about the number of Councilmembers to appoint to the interview panel, and possibly including representatives from the MAD Town Council and the School Board.

Gaston moved, Finlay seconded to appoint Councilmember Paras-Caracci as the City Council representative to the interview panel, and to include one member from the MAD Town Council and one member from the School Board. There was discussion.

Finlay moved, Fasana seconded a substitute motion to appoint Councilmembers Paras-Caracci and Reyes to participate in the interview of potential consultants for Duarte's Youth and Families Master Plan, and that the panel also include a representative from the Monrovia-Arcadia-Duarte Town Council and a representative from the School Board, in addition to the panel members outlined in the staff report, and carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Continued)

The following spoke on items not on the Agenda:
Tom Reyes – Procedure for bears.

ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL/
CITY MANAGER

REYES: Requested an item be agendaized pertaining to the potential rail maintenance yard site, attended Foothill Unity Center dinner, requested Mr. D'Aquino be invited to a Council meeting for recognition of his contributions to the City, and requested reports on Duarte Road and lighting at Lena Valenzuela Park.

FINLAY: Attended the statue dedication at the City of Hope and noted the recent groundbreaking for a research building extension, toured the Puente Hills Landfill, attended the Wellness Community meeting, appreciated the joint meeting with the School Board, and inquired about the possibility of community gardens on some of the vacant land in the City.

GASTON: Stated this is the one year anniversary of the passing of John McKiernan, appreciated the press conference about the hate crime, suggested meeting with the newspaper editor about responsible and timely reporting, received a request from the seniors about a parking lot on Pops Road, a crosswalk, and an adjustment to the Senior Center's bus pick-up and drop-off times to five minutes before the hour, stated she and other Councilmembers met with the management of the water company several weeks ago, attended the L.A. Peace Officer's Memorial event, ALADS Awards, MTA Board meeting, retirement dinner for the Monrovia Superintendent of Schools, and Foothill Unity Center's Golden Plate Award event, stated Bradbury's Dial-A-Ride makes stops at the Duarte Target and Walmart, inquired about the possibility of a community awareness workshop about the bear situation, and stated there needs to be some method of alerting residents about bears.

PARAS-CARACCI: Attended the NLC Governance Task Force meeting in Chicago, stated Duarte High School graduate Paola Arana won her bout at the USA National Boxing Championships in Denver and she hopes we can invite her again, our boxing program is positive for teens, and stated the Duarte Route 66ers Basketball Team were previous champions and received the large trophy.

FASANA: Will attend the COG Jack Phillips Award event on June 18, encouraged participation in the Parade fundraising events, appreciated all who attended the joint meeting with the School Board, the timing issue of the press release was due to the County, not the newspaper, participated in the installation of officers of the Duarte Community Service Council, the City of Hope statue event was extraordinary, thanked all who worked with the victims of the hate crime, it is not uncommon for bus drivers to change during their route, stated although vehicles and trains that would use the maintenance facility are electric, not diesel, there are other issues that need to be addressed, the trains on Duarte Road may be removed from the track, Metro will perform an environmental study on maintenance facilities in Irwindale and other sites, and announced Metro Board Meeting on June 11 regarding the Long-Range Transportation Plan and the Gold Line.

ADJOURNMENT

Reyes moved, Finlay seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 p.m., and carried unanimously.

Mayor John Fasana

ATTEST:

City Clerk