

**JOINT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF DUARTE
REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 14, 2010**

M I N U T E S

RECEPTION

At 6:00 p.m., a reception was held for City employees and City Commissioners receiving service awards.

CALL TO ORDER

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency 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 7:07 p.m.

**RECORDATION OF
ATTENDANCE**

The following were in attendance:
PRESENT: Fasana, Paras-Caracci, Reyes, Finlay
ABSENT: Gaston
ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: City Manager
George, City Attorney Slater

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Finlay moved, Reyes seconded to adopt the Agenda, as amended to postpone Item 16.D (Appointment of City Councilmembers to intergovernmental organizations) until the full City Council was present, and carried unanimously.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Shahli Patel led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

A moment of reflection was observed.

**FITNESS/MENTAL WARM-UP
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

George and Finlay provided the warm-up.
Reed Strege, Duarte Library, announced holiday hours, teen event on December 20, and teen scavenger hunt December 27-30.

Nick Collins, YMCA, and K. C. Caracci, Duarte Elks Club, announced Free Throw Contest on December 18 and 19.

Pam Kawasaki, President, Duarte Unified School Board, thanked all for their support of the school bond.

Dean Conklin announced he will be leaving the Duarte Unified School District to become the new Superintendent of the Walnut Valley Unified School District.

Karen Herrera announced a number of upcoming community events and programs in the months of December and January.

Jim Kirchner, Duarte Chamber, announced State of the City and School on February 1 at Maryvale, Taste of Duarte on May 18, and new Chamber logo beginning the first of the year.

SPECIAL ITEMS

Presentation of Service Awards

Mayor Paras-Caracci presented service awards to City employees and City Commissioners for 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25 years of service, and congratulations were extended.

**Recognition – Red Ribbon Week
Contest Winners**

Brian Villalobos introduced Javier Valesquez, SCE Federal Credit Union, the official sponsor of the Red Ribbon Week Contests, who presented cash awards to the winners. Mayor Paras-Caracci presented Certificates to the winners, and a Certificate of Appreciation to SCE Federal Credit Union for being the official sponsor.

**Recognition – Luis Sedano and
Jacobe Velasco**

Donna Georgino introduced Duarte boxers Luis Sedano and Jacobe Velasco, and Assistant Coach Rambo. Mayor Paras-Caracci presented Certificates to Luis and Jacobe for representing the United States and the Duarte Boxing Club at a boxing tournament in Tahiti.

**Recognition – Duarte Senior
Center – Distinguished Site**

Donna Georgino introduced Don Herring, YWCA Senior Service Director, and Peggy Diamond, Duarte Senior Services Supervisor, who displayed the Distinguished Site Award presented to the Duarte Senior Center by the County of Los Angeles.

Presentation by SGVHA

Mayor Paras-Caracci introduced Manoj Patel, who described the San Gabriel Valley Hospitality Association and presented scholarship checks to the City of Hope and Rebuilding Together-San Gabriel Valley Foothills.

Presentation by Duarte High School – Bicycle-Friendly Cities

Duarte High School teacher Mr. Maloney presented a PowerPoint about the benefits of bicycle trails and consideration of a commuter bike trail in Duarte. Dr. Marcia Miller provided information about designated bike lanes.

Presentation by Contract Cities Association

Don Voss, Executive Board, Contract Cities Association, presented an update about the California Contract Cities Association, including history, purpose, educational programs, networking opportunities, legislative advocacy, access to services, and membership.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following spoke on items not on the Agenda.
Harb Thind – Traffic at Royal Oaks School.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Reyes moved, Finlay seconded to approve the Consent Calendar, as follows, and carried unanimously.

Approve Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, M.
Receive and File Items K, L.

PUBLIC HEARING
Andres Duarte Terrace
Specific Plan

Mayor Paras-Caracci announced this was the time and place set for a Public Hearing pertaining to the Andres Duarte Terrace Specific Plan.

Council Bill 10-O-08
Amends Andres Duarte Terrace
Specific Plan (First Reading)

Slater read by title Council Bills 10-O-08 and 10-O-09:

10-O-08 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE ANDRES DUARTE TERRACE SPECIFIC PLAN (First Reading)

Council Bill 10-O-09
Zone Change 10-2
(First Reading)

10-O-09 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, REVISING THE DUARTE MUNICIPAL CODE BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF THREE VACANT CITY-OWNED PARCELS OF LAND FROM R-4, MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL HIGH DENSITY, TO ANDRES DUARTE TERRACE SPECIFIC PLAN (APNS 8530-023-912, 8530-023-913, 8530-023-076) (ZONE CHANGE 10-2) (First Reading)

Slater asked City Clerk Akana if notice of the hearing had been given and if any written correspondence had been filed. Akana stated notice was given, the affidavit is on file, and no written correspondence was filed in the matter.

David Eoff, Assistant Planner, presented a staff report about the proposed amendment and zone change, including background, property description, project description, and Planning Commission recommendation.

Mayor Paras-Caracci asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak on the matter.

John Serembe inquired about a traffic light and stated he feels it is essential.

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

There was discussion about signal installation.

Fasana moved, Finlay seconded to introduce Council Bill 10-O-08 and Council Bill 10-O-09 for first reading, and carried unanimously.

COUNCIL BILL
Council Bill 10-O-10
Urgency Ordinance
Adopts State/County Codes

Slater read by title Council Bill 10-O-10:

AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE ADOPTING BY REFERENCE, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 50022.2, THE CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE (TITLE 26 BUILDING CODE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE), THE CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE (TITLE 27 ELECTRICAL CODE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE), THE CALIFORNIA PLUMBING CODE (TITLE 28 PLUMBING CODE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE), THE CALIFORNIA MECHANICAL CODE (TITLE 29 MECHANICAL CODE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE), THE CALIFORNIA RESIDENTIAL CODE (TITLE 30 RESIDENTIAL CODE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE), TITLE 24 PART 11 – CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS CODE, AND ADOPTING LOCAL AMENDMENTS THERETO (Urgency)

ORDINANCE NO. 824
(URGENCY)

Fasana moved, Reyes seconded to adopt Urgency Ordinance No. 824, and carried with Gaston absent.

COMMITTEE ITEM
CDBG Advisory Committee
Recommendation 2011/12

Kelly Koldus, Association Planner, presented the recommendation from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Advisory Committee for 2011/12 CDBG projects and allocation of funds. George stated the School Superintendent asked that the application submitted by the Duarte High School Band be withdrawn.

Fasana moved, Reyes seconded to approve the proposed fiscal year 2011-2012 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) projects and allocation of funds as follows, and carried by a vote of 4-0-1 (with Gaston absent from the vote): Administration (maximum 10%) \$22,127; Public Service (maximum 15%) \$30,000 – (1) Duarte Hawks \$10,000, (2) Southland Opera \$10,000, (3) Duarte Youth Athletic Club \$10,000; Non-Administration, Non-Public Service Programs \$169,139; Total CDBG Allocation \$221,265.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Burtec annual rate adjustment

Kristen Petersen, Assistant City Manager, provided a staff report about the proposed Burtec refuse collection and recycling rate adjustment as outlined in the staff report, to become effective January 1, 2011.

K. C. Caracci stated Burtec is a great company, they use natural gas, their trucks are clean, they support local events, and they give back to the community.

Reyes moved, Fasana seconded to approve the annual Burtec refuse collection and recycling rates, as outlined in the staff report, effective January 1, 2011, per staff recommendation, and carried unanimously.

City/Agency Audited Financial
Statements – 2009/10

Petersen presented a detailed staff report about the fiscal year 2009/10 audited financial statements for the City and the Redevelopment Agency.

Fasana moved, Finlay seconded to receive and file the City and Agency audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, and carried unanimously.

Agency Annual Report–2009/10

Petersen provided a staff report about the Redevelopment Agency Annual Report for fiscal year 2009/10.

Reyes moved, Fasana seconded to receive and approve the Redevelopment Agency's Annual Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, and carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following spoke on items not on the Agenda.

Allen Field – Drop lawsuit against Vulcan, Burger King.

ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL/
CITY MANAGER

REYES: Thanked Supervisor Antonovich for offering a reward in the tragic hit and run accident and he hopes we will send him a letter of thanks, requested a report on what we are doing to educate the public about pedestrian safety, toured the Maryvale facility and stated it is outstanding, inquired about the maintenance and cleaning schedule for bus stops and benches at the parks as they need attention, attended the Fantasia program and congratulated Santa Teresita, and wished all a great holiday.

FASANA: Stated he is looking forward to the Public Safety report and information about increased enforcement for jaywalking, toured Maryvale and discussed its architecture and design, wished all happy and safe holidays, and asked that the meeting also be adjourned in memory of Michael Portantino.

FINLAY: Provided an update about PERTAC, attended Christmas program at Citrus College, NLC Conference in Denver, bioswale dedication event, Westminster Gardens concert, and economic summit in Los Angeles which was the last time Jack Kyser spoke, announced Mr. Kyser's memorial service on January 12, and wished all happy holidays.

PARAS-CARACCI: Congratulated School Board President Pam Kawasaki and Vice President Reyna Diaz on their appointments, thanked staff for the tree lighting ceremony, stated the Youth and Family Committee appointed its Chair and Vice Chair and she is looking forward to the next phase of the process, displayed the award she received as a nominee for NLC finalist for Outstanding Leadership for her service to the community, she is pleased that Maryvale will be used for the State of the City address, stated the trash cans at Ralph's and Target shopping centers are getting fuller fast and suggested communicating with the local businesses, asked that the meeting also be adjourned in memory of Maureen McAdam and Michael Ramos, and wished all happy holidays.

ADJOURNMENT

Finlay moved, Reyes seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m., to the Adjourned Regular Meeting on January 4, 2011, at 5:00 p.m., in memory of Jack Kyser, Gabriel Abundio, Guadalupe Rocha, Maureen McAdam, Michael Ramos, and Michael Portantino, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Tzeitel Paras-Caracci

ATTEST:

City Clerk