

MINUTES

JOINT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF DUARTE REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 8, 2011

CALL TO ORDER 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 Paras-Caracci called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA Gaston moved, Finlay seconded to add Public Report of Closed Session after Item 7, to consider Special Item 9.D prior to 9.C, and adjourn in memory of Roy Speirs, and carried unanimously. Gaston moved, Finlay seconded to adopt the Agenda, as amended, and carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION
Conference – Legal Counsel
Existing Litigation There was no public input. Slater stated the Closed Session is pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a); Conference with Legal Counsel; Existing Litigation, *City of Duarte, California, v. City of Azusa, California, et al; Azusa Rock, Inc., et al, Real Parties in Interest*; Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BS127709. The Closed Session concluded at 6:05 p.m.

WORKSHOP
2011/12 Budget Kristen Petersen made a presentation about the Governor's proposal to eliminate redevelopment, the potential impact to the City, and discussed preliminary budget priorities for the 2011/12 fiscal year. The workshop concluded at 6:58 p.m. The meeting was reconvened at 7:07 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG Dylan Magsarili led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MOMENT OF REFLECTION A moment of reflection was observed.

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

PUBLIC REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION Slater stated during the Closed Session, the City Council received an update on the status of the litigation, with no reportable action taken.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Jan Wight, Friends of the Duarte Library, announced FDL's 50th Anniversary is dedicated to Aloysia Moore, and encouraged membership in the FDL.
Reed Strege, Duarte Library, announced digital film making program at the Teen Center, and stated the library will be refurbished before June 30, and will be closed during the process.
Gaston suggested a list of County libraries in the vicinity with their current hours be posted on the City's website.
Sister Mary Ignatius, Santa Teresita, announced the Hayden 5K Run on March 12 beginning at 7:30 a.m.
Karen Herrera announced a number of upcoming community events and programs in the months of March and April.

SPECIAL ITEMS
Recognition – Carmelite Sisters Mayor Paras-Caracci introduced Sister Imelda Marie, and presented her with a Certificate of Appreciation for her 50 years of service with the Carmelite Sisters of Santa Teresita.

Recognition – DHS Cheer Squad Mayor Paras-Caracci introduced the Duarte High School Cheer Squad, and presented them with a congratulatory certificate for

receiving the First Place Trophy and Best of Show at the Sharp Competition. The squad performed a cheer.

Presentation – Business Friendly Video

The three-minute video that was produced as part of the City's LAEDC recognition of being one of the top five Most Business Friendly Cities in Los Angeles County was shown.

Presentation/Commendation by LAEDC

Robert Swayze and Bob Machuca, Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation, presented a commendation from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors congratulating and thanking the City for being business friendly.

ITEMS ADDED TO CONSENT

Fasana moved, Gaston seconded to add attendance at the NAACP Tribute to Black Women Breakfast, March 26, 2011, and Anita Oaks School fundraiser, March 26, 2011, to Item 12.F, and carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Reyes moved, Finlay seconded to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended as follows, and carried with Fasana abstaining from Item A (Minutes of February 22, 2011).
Approve Items A, B, C, E, F.
Receive and File Item D.

PUBLIC HEARING
Council Bill 10-O-05
Type K Copper
(First Reading)

Mayor Paras-Caracci announced this was the time and place set for a Public Hearing pertaining to Type K Copper.

Slater read by title Council Bill 10-O-05:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE AMENDING SECTION 16.04.095 OF THE DUARTE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO SECTION 604.2 OF THE PLUMBING CODE – REQUIREMENT FOR TYPE “K” COPPER WATER PIPE MATERIALS (First Reading)

Slater stated the Public Hearing was opened on February 22, 2011, and continued to this meeting, and asked City Clerk Akana if any written communications had been received in the matter. Akana stated an email was received from Richard Forintos that recommends Alternative 3 allowing all plumbing materials for repairs, retrofit, or new construction, copies were distributed to the City Council, and copies are available for the public.

Slater stated Councilmember Fasana was not in attendance at the last Council Meeting, and inquired if he had reviewed the tape of the meeting. Fasana stated yes. Slater stated Councilmember Fasana may participate in the Public Hearing.

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

Allen Field inquired if the urgency ordinance passed in December 2010 would permit something other than Type K copper to be used.

Slater stated the urgency ordinance continued the requirement for Type K copper, currently Type K copper is required, and the item being considered before the City Council would possibly amend the urgency ordinance.

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

There was discussion about galvanized pipe, PEX, and options.

Fasana moved, Reyes seconded to approve the second option, which would modify the requirement to require Type K copper when copper pipe is used, and allow for alternative piping choices in keeping with the current California Plumbing Code, and to introduce Council Bill 10-O-05 for first reading, and carried unanimously.

Paras-Caracci suggested an informational brochure be available for residents regarding options, and suggested a letter be sent to Allen Field thanking him for the copper samples he provided.

BUSINESS ITEMS
NLC Mayors' Action Challenge
For Children and Families

George provided a staff report about the NLC Mayors' Action Challenge, and read the goals that have been identified by the City.

Finlay moved, Gaston seconded to approve the City's participation in the National League of Cities Mayors' Action Challenge for Children and Families, and carried unanimously.

Update – State budget

Petersen provided a staff report and update about the State's proposal to eliminate redevelopment, as well as the impact on the City's operating budget.

**ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL/
CITY MANAGER**

REYES: Stated the Mayor did a great job at the State of the City, attended Second Baptist Church Black History Month Performance at the PAC, progress has been made on the Otis Gordon Park restrooms, and requested a Closed Session item on the next Agenda pertaining to the installation of Edison towers.

FASANA: Stated if there is a Closed Session pertaining to the Edison towers, he will declare a conflict, congratulated the Mayor on the State of the City address, and requested Duarte Transit System stops and times also be posted on our website with the map and routes.

FINLAY: Congratulated the Mayor on her excellent State of the City speech, and announced Hayden 5K Run on March 12, reception welcoming Dr. Nichols on March 10, and Talent Show on March 26.

GASTON: Stated the State of the City was wonderful, the Duarte Elks have agreed to donate to the Senior Center a flag-pole top or new flag and pole, congratulated the Parks and Recreation Department on the CPRS Luncheon, thanked the City for co-sponsoring the Black History Presentation, attended basketball awards program at Northview, Set for Life Women's class, and Zulu Women's program at the PAC, and visited the Edison installation site.

PARAS-CARACCI: Thanked all involved with the State of the City/State of the School event, requested certificates be prepared for presentation to the awardees at the Santa Anita YMCA Awards Dinner, attended Mayor's Youth Council meeting where support for the youth leadership conference in May was discussed, and wished Pat DeRose a happy birthday.

ADJOURNMENT

Finlay moved, Fasana seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 p.m., in memory of Roy Speirs, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Tzeitel Paras-Caracci

ATTEST:

City Clerk