

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA PALMA CITY COUNCIL

March 21, 2006

Mayor Barnes called the regular meeting of the La Palma City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21, 2006, in the Council Chambers of La Palma City Hall, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Waldman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

INVOCATION

Councilmember Rodriguez gave the Invocation.

ROLL CALL:

Councilmembers present: Christine M. Barnes, Kenneth A. Blake, Larry A. Herman,
Ralph D. Rodriguez, Mark I. Waldman

Councilmembers absent: None

City Officials present: Catherine Standiford, City Manager
Dominic Lazzaretto, Assistant City Manager/Director of Community
Development
Ed Ethell, Chief of Police
Jan Hobson, Director of Recreation & Community Services
Ismile Noorbaksh, Director of Public Works/City Engineer
Deborah Moreno, Finance Director
Eric Nunez, Police Captain
Joel Kuperberg, City Attorney
Lynnae Sisemore, Minutes Clerk

PRESENTATIONS

None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

RECESS CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING COMMISSION AND CONVENE AS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 17, 2006, FEBRUARY 7, 2006, FEBRUARY 21, 2006, AND MARCH 7, 2006 MEETINGS OF THE LA PALMA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
- B. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2006-07 APPROVING THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS FOR MARCH 21, 2006
- C. RECEIVE AND FILE THE CASH AND INVESTMENT REPORTS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2005 AND DECEMBER 31, 2005

Mayor Pro Tem Waldman made a motion to approve Consent Calendar Items A, B, and C. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Blake and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Barnes adjourned the Community Development Commission to convene as the Planning Commission at 7:02 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissionmember Herman made a motion to approve the following item:

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 21, 2006 AND MARCH 7, 2006 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

The motion was seconded by Commissionmember Blake and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

PL-2 **Conditional Use Permit 336, Requesting Approval of a Telecommunications Facility in the Southern California Edison Right-of-Way 435 Feet West of Moody Street (APN: 263-155-01)**

Chairman Barnes opened the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

Dominic Lazzaretto, Director of Community Development, gave the staff report.

Public input was received from La Palma resident, Jeanne Culver and T-Mobile representative, Tim Miller.

Mayor Barnes closed the public hearing at 7:22 p.m.

Commissionmember Herman made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2006-03 to approve Conditional Use Permit 336 for a Telecommunications Facility in the Southern California Edison right-of-way 435 feet west of Moody Street, and to modify Condition No. 13 by adding the following sentence: "Unless determined by the Director of Community Development to be ineffective, the applicant shall apply graffiti resistant coating to the structure prior to the commencement of operation." The motion was seconded by Commissionmember Rodriguez and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Barnes adjourned the Planning Commission Meeting at 7:25 p.m.

RECONVENING

Mayor Barnes reconvened the City Council Meeting in regular session at 7:26 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Herman made a motion to approve items 3, 4, and 5 on the Consent Calendar:

3. RECEIVE AND FILE THE CASH AND INVESTMENT REPORTS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2005 AND DECEMBER 31, 2005
4. APPROVE A SECOND AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT FOR AUDITING AND ACCOUNTING SERVICES WITH CONRAD ASSOCIATES, L.L.P. FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT TO MAYER HOFFMAN McCANN,

P.C., THE SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO CONRAD AND ASSOCIATES, L.L.P. AND APPROVE A THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR AUDITING AND ACCOUNTING SERVICES WITH MAYER HOFFMAN McCANN P.C. FOR COMPLETION OF AUDITING SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2006 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,990.

5. APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE ATTENDANCE OF THE FOLLOWING COUNCILMEMBERS AT THE KOREAN COALITION ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER 5TH ANNUAL DINNER, MARCH 31, 2006: MAYOR PRO TEM WALDMAN AND COUNCILMEMBERS HERMAN AND RODRIGUEZ

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Blake and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

1. **Approval of City Council Minutes**

Councilmember Rodriguez requested this item to be pulled to inquire about the status of two items referenced in the February 7, 2006 minutes.

Councilmember Herman asked to have the minutes of February 7, 2006 on page 52 to be amended, to reflect his request that code violations and the escalation of enforcement be agendaized for a future meeting.

Councilmember Blake made a motion to approve City Council Minutes of the January 17, 2006, February 21, 2006, and March 7, 2006 Regular Meetings of the La Palma City Council and to approve the February 7, 2006 minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Herman and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

2. Approval of Register of Demands

Councilmember Blake requested this item to be pulled to commend the Finance Department staff for developing the more detailed warrant register.

Councilmember Blake made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2006-14 of the Register of Demands for March 21, 2006. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Herman and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

REGULAR ITEMS

6. Development Code Amendment 2006-01 to Add Section 26-25 (d) to Chapter 26 of the La Palma Municipal Code Relating to Residential Chimney Structures

Mayor Pro Tem Waldman made a motion to Adopt Ordinance No. 2006-01 of the Development Code Amendment 2006-01 to Add Section 26-25 (d) to Chapter 26 of the La Palma Municipal Code Relating to Residential Chimney Structures. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Blake and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

7. **Approval of an "On-Call Agreement" between the City of La Palma and Doty Brothers, Inc., for Emergency Repair Services to Water Facilities and Other Appurtenances, and Authorization for the City Manager to Execute the Agreement**

Ismile Noorbaksh, Director of Public Works, gave the staff report.

Councilmember Herman made a motion to approve an "On-Call Agreement" between the City of La Palma and Doty Brothers, Inc., for Emergency Repair Services to Water Facilities and Other Appurtenances, and Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

8. **Discussion of Code Enforcement Escalation and Prioritization of Cases**

Dominic Lazzaretto, Director of Community Development, gave the staff report.

Councilmember Herman made a motion to authorize staff to research low interest loans and financial assistance for residents with code enforcement related issues. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Blake and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

Mayor Barnes called for a five minute break at 8:32 p.m.

Mayor Barnes reconvened the City Council Meeting at 8:36 p.m.

9. **Options for Improving the Clarity of City Council Direction Related to Staff Research and/or Agenda Items**

City Manager Standiford gave the staff report.

Public input was received from the following La Palma residents:

Keith Nelson, 5311 La Luna
Richard Lutz, 8182 Bellhaven
Lauree Aragona, 8302 Bellhaven
Alta Duke, 7962 Tracy
Bill Coil, 5307 Achilles
Roger Ciesinski, 5541 Fir
Fadra Coil, 5307 Achilles
Steve Patterson, 5082 Lynn

Councilmember Blake made a motion to continue the practice of allowing any City Councilmember to request an agenda item at any time and to direct the City Manager to create a template for the City Council to use in requesting items or staff research for future Council Meetings. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Herman and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

10. **Consideration of Resolution in Support of a Constitutional Amendment to Secure Local Transportation Funding**

Councilmember Herman made a motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2006-09 in Support of a Constitutional Amendment to Secure Local Transportation Funding. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Waldman and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS FROM CITY-AFFILIATED COMMITTEES/COUNCIL REMARKS

Mayor Barnes, Mayor Pro Tem Waldman, and Councilmember Blake reported on 3 awards received by the La Palma Recreation and Community Services Department from the California Parks and Recreation Society.

The Mayor and Councilmembers reported on various meetings and activities they had attended, or were planning to attend in the near future.

Councilmember Herman inquired about a metal box on a wooden panel at the Edison right-of-way on Walker Street. Public Works Director Noorbaksh responded.

Councilmember Herman inquired about whether Arbor Day would be returning. Recreation and Community Services Director Hobson responded.

Councilmember Herman asked about the City's policy on real estate signs. Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director Lazzaretto responded.

Councilmember Herman requested a recording of this evening's meeting on a CD.

Councilmember Rodriguez asked about the traffic signal on La Palma and Moody and its relationship to an accident at the intersection he had witnessed. Public Works Director Noorbaksh responded.

Councilmember Rodriguez asked about Ga Na Aerobics. Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director Lazzaretto responded.

Councilmember Rodriguez asked about the status of a wood fence on Windsong. Mr. Lazzaretto responded.

Mayor Pro Tem Waldman commended the Public Works Department staff for their prompt removal of graffiti at the Denni Street mini park.

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

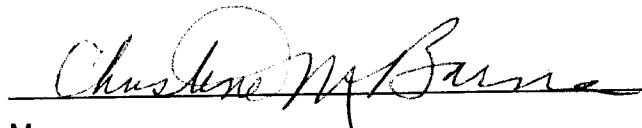
City Manager Standiford reminded the City Council to adjourn the meeting to an adjourned meeting on March 30, 2006 regarding the design charrette for the Community Center.

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

None

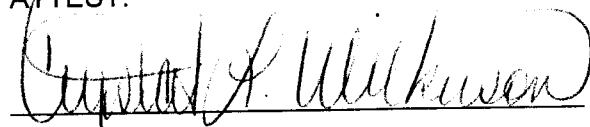
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Barnes adjourned the meeting at 10:56 p.m. in memory of Jerry Sohl to an adjourned meeting on Thursday, March 30, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at the La Palma Community Center, 7821 Moody Street, La Palma.



Mayor

ATTEST:



Deputy City Clerk