

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE LA PALMA CITY COUNCIL

March 30, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Kim called the Special Meeting of the La Palma City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at La Palma City Hall, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, California, with all members present.

ROLL CALL: Council Members

Council Members present: Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart, Council Member Hwangbo, Mayor Kim, Council Member Shanahan, and Council Member Steggell

Council Members absent: None

City Officials present: Ellen Volmert, City Manager
Steve Filarsky, Labor Counsel
Jim Engen, Police Captain
Laurie Murray, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk
Eric Nuñez, Police Chief

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

No members of the public wished to speak.

OPEN SESSION

1. Local Hazard Mitigation Grant Request

Police Captain Engen gave the Staff Report.

Council Comments and Questions:

Discussion ensued regarding hazard mitigation programs for floods, fire, and earthquakes; that a hazard mitigation program has been required since 2000 in order to get reimbursed from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and details of what the Emergency Disaster Preparedness/Hazard Mitigation plan would include.

Recommendation that the City Council authorize staff to utilize Blais & Associates to develop and submit a Notice of Interest (NOI) for Pre Disaster Mitigation Grant Funding on behalf of the City of La Palma.

Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart made a motion to authorize staff to utilize Blais & Associates to develop and submit a Notice of Interest (NOI) for Pre Disaster Mitigation Grant Funding on behalf of the City of La Palma.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Steggell and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Goedhart, Council Member Hwangbo, Mayor Kim, Council Member Shanahan, and Council Member Steggell

NOES: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

James Thomas, 5509 Dirk Circle, addressed the City Council regarding his concerns for the impact to his neighborhood in the proposed development of the Ozawa Property.

CLOSED SESSION

CS-1. The City Council will meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Agency Designated Representatives: Ellen Volmert, City Manager
Laurie Murray, Administrative Services Director
Steve Filarsky, Agency Labor Counsel

Employee Organizations: La Palma General Employees Association
La Palma Police Association
La Palma Professional Employees Association

Unrepresented Employees: Executive Management

Mayor Kim recessed to Closed Session at 6:48 p.m.

Mayor Kim reconvened in Open Session at 8:56 p.m. and asked for a report.

Administrative Services Director Murray stated there were no reportable actions from Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kim adjourned the Special Meeting of the La Palma City Council at 8:57 p.m.

Peter L. Kim
Mayor

Attest:

Laurie A. Murray, CMC
City Clerk