

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE LA PALMA CITY COUNCIL

January 4, 2005

Mayor Blake called the regular meeting of the La Palma City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 4, 2005, in the Council Chambers of La Palma City Hall, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Rodriguez led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

INVOCATION

Pastor Yarbrough with La Palma Christian Center 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  
Ed Ethell, Chief of Police  
Tami Piscotty, Assistant to the City Manager  
Ismile Noorbaksh, Director of Public Works/City Engineer  
Jan Hobson, Director of Recreation & Community Services  
Dominic Lazzaretto, Director of Community Development  
Joel Kuperberg, City Attorney

PRESENTATIONS

The City Council recognized the outgoing citizen committee members.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Jeff Howe, 5192 Andrew Drive, stated that the street sweeper did not come last week and no cars got tickets, however this week, even though it was raining, the street sweeper came, and people got tickets. He expressed concern that residents are confused on when the sweeper is coming and if residents are required to move their cars so they are not ticketed.

RECESS

Mayor Blake recessed the City Council to convene as the Community Development Commission at 7:18 p.m. (See separate Community Development Commission Minutes.)

RECONVENING

Mayor Blake reconvened the meeting in regular session at 7:19 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissionmember Waldman made a motion to approve the following item on the Consent Calendar

**APPROVED THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 21, 2004 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

The motion was seconded by Commissionmember Rodriguez and carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

PUBLIC HEARING

**PL-2 Façade Improvement and Sign Modification, 5555 Fresca Drive**

Community Development Director Dominic Lazzaretto gave a staff report explaining the requested façade improvement and sign modifications by the field ironworkers apprenticeship located at 5555 Fresca Drive.

Mr. Lazzaretto stated that several improvements have been made including remodeling and painting the building, installing a metal canopy at the entryway, constructing exterior fencing and landscaping, resurfacing the parking lot, installing security cameras, restoring the trash enclosure area, and conducting a seismic retrofit. They are requesting to install hot rolled steel plates along the center portion of the front façade over the existing rock element. The plates will be slightly gapped.

Mr. Lazzaretto stated that the requested changes to the monument sign include two lines of text, one inch letters, 19 sq. ft. with four up-lights adjacent to the building in the planter.

Mr. Lazzaretto stated that no public comments were received and it was approved by the Development Committee.

Chairman Blake asked if the street address would be on the street and building, to which Mr. Lazzaretto responded positively.

Commissionmember Herman asked if the sign is coated, to which Mr. Lazzaretto responded positively.

Commissionmember Herman made a motion to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissionmember Waldman and carried unanimously.

Commissionmember Barnes made a motion to adopt a resolution approving amendment to Precise Plan 150. The motion was seconded by Commissionmember Waldman and carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Pro Tem Herman made a motion to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

APPROVED THE DECEMBER 21, 2004 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2005-01 APPROVING A REGISTER OF DEMANDS FOR JANUARY 4, 2005

APPROVED THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, AND AUTHORIZED THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO SOLICIT COMPETITIVE BIDS FOR THE RUBBERIZED SLURRY SEALING ON VARIOUS CITY STREETS, CITY PROJECT NO ST-264

ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2005-02 SUPPORTING THE CITY OF ANAHEIM'S EFFORTS TO KEEP THE NAME "ANAHEIM ANGELS" AS THE NAME OF THE ANAHEIM ANGELS, AS REQUESTED BY THE CITY OF ANAHEIM

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez and carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDER:

**Appointments to External and Internal Committees**

Mayor Blake noted that the assignment of councilmembers to three of the internal committees are on hold pending a discussion at the City Council Team Building, which will include a discussion on the continuation of these specific committees.

Councilmember Herman made a motion to receive and file the report on appointments to the citizen committees. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barnes and carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

**Authorization for Councilmembers to Attend Conference**

Mayor Blake noted that the OCFA will pay the cost for his attendance at the Orange County Leadership Symposium, and the Sanitation District will be paying for Councilmembers Waldman and Rodriguez.

Mayor Pro Tem Herman made a motion to approve the attendance of Mayor Blake, Councilmember Rodriguez, and Councilmember Waldman at the Orange County Leadership Symposium at the UCLA Lake Arrowhead Conference Center from January 14 to January 16, 2005. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez and carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Barnes, Blake, Herman, Rodriguez, Waldman

NOES: None

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS FROM CITY-AFFILIATED COMMITTEES/COUNCIL REMARKS

Councilmember Waldman will be attending the Sanitation District meeting tomorrow night.

Councilmember Rodriguez encouraged people to join the Community Activities and Beautification committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Herman will miss the February 1, 2005 City Council meeting since he will be attending a Vector Control Conference.

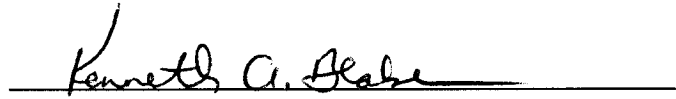
Councilmember Barnes commented that the La Palma 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary brochure looks great, and tonight's kick-off event was a success.

Mayor Blake asked for staff to check the damage at the corner of Comstock and La Palma Avenue. He mentioned that he received a letter Mike McGill in Cypress requesting support from about the Los Alamitos Base Closure.

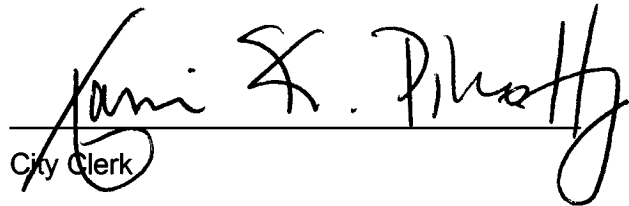
Mayor Pro Tem Herman made a motion to add the Los Alamitos Base Closure item to the evening's agenda due to the urgency of responding to this matter. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Waldman and carried unanimously. The City Council concurred in supporting the efforts to insure the base is not closed and authorized the City of La Palma's support.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Blake adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk