

MINUTES

Joint Meeting of the Scotts Valley City Council and Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors

Date: March 2, 2011

POSTING:

The agenda was posted on 2-24-11 at City Hall, the SV Senior Center, and the SV Library, by the City Clerk.

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Bustichi
Vice Mayor Lind
Council Member Aguilar
Council Member Johnson
Council Member Reed

City Manager Ando
City Attorney Powell
Public Wks Director Anderson
Police Chief Weiss
Interim Community Dev Dir Westman
City Clerk Ferrara

COMMITTEE REPORTS

VM Lind reported that LAFCO met and reviewed their draft preliminary budget for the upcoming fiscal year. She reported that they will have continued reviews and a public hearing regarding budget at the April LAFCO meeting.

VM Lind reported that the Sign Subcommittee met and is continuing to work on updating the City's sign ordinance. She reported that letters will be going out to local businesses and real estate agencies notifying them of changes to the sign ordinance, specifically dealing with temporary signs, including real estate signs. She reported that City staff will be working with businesses over the next 30 days concerning the changes and enforcement.

VM Lind reported that last year the Cultural Council provided \$140,000 in grants to local artists and art organizations. She also reported that SPECTRA (Special Teacher Resources in the Arts) funded \$57,000 for arts education classes and workshops for children throughout the County.

CM Reed reported that the Library Subcommittee and received an update on the status of the library project.

Mayor Bustichi reported that the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (SCMTD) met to review the upcoming budget. He reported that the SCMTD will be going into negotiations soon with both of the labor groups and they will be looking at 30% to 35% cuts to service throughout the County.

Mayor Bustichi reported that the Water Subcommittee met, and over the next year they will be reviewing whether it is feasible to consolidate, and whether there is a duplication of services, facilities, and employees. He reported that they also discussed policy issues and ways to streamline processes between the City and the Water District for projects and development.

PUBLIC COMMENT No one came forward.

**ALTERATIONS TO
CONSENT AGENDA**

CM Aguilar requested that Item C be moved to the regular agenda for a brief discussion.

M/S: Aguilar/Lind

To approve the Consent Agenda as amended moving Item C to the regular agenda for discussion.

Carried 5/0

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve Joint City Council/RDA meeting minutes of 2-16-11, 2-2-11
- B. Approve check register – 2-18-11, 2-11-11
- D. Approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 162.1 amending Chapter 10.12 to Title 10 of the Scotts Valley Municipal Code adding Meadow Way to weight limitations

**ALTERATIONS TO
REGULAR AGENDA**

M/S: Aguilar/Lind

To approve the Regular Agenda as amended adding Item C to the regular agenda for discussion.

Carried 5/0

REGULAR AGENDA

- C. **Approve letter in support of AB 579 (Monning) and authorize the Mayor to sign the letter of support**

CM Ando presented the written staff report and responded to questions from Council.

CM Aguilar requested similar letters be addressed to Senator Blakeslee and Governor Brown.

M/S: Aguilar/Johnson

To authorize the Mayor to sign the letter in support of AB 579 to Assembly Member Monning and to do a separate letter in support of AB 579 to Senator Blakeslee and Governor Brown.

Carried 5/0

1. **Consideration of affordable housing loan to Habitat for Humanity for their 3 unit affordable housing project on Blake Lane // APN 022-891-03**

ICDD Westman presented the written staff report and responded to questions from Council.

Michael Bethke, Board President of Local Habitat for Humanity, thanked City staff and the Affordable Housing Subcommittee for their assistance and support, and spoke in favor of the Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors approving this loan.

Ron Buswell, SV resident and Member of Habitat for Humanity Board, spoke in favor of the Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors approving this loan.

Carol Netzley, SV resident and Member of Habitat for Humanity Board, spoke in favor of the Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors approving this loan.

M/S: Aguilar/Lind

To authorize the Executive Director of the Scotts Valley Redevelopment Agency to enter into a loan agreement with Habitat for Humanity for \$300,000 to build 3 units on Blake Lane, with Habitat for Humanity paying back the loan plus interest at the LAIF rate. The loan will be due and payable with interest, either within five years from the date the third unit is issued a certificate of occupancy, or no later than 10 years from the date of the loan. There will be no prepayment penalty if Habitat is able to pay the loan off sooner.

Carried 5/0

2. **Consideration of an Economic Development Plan Workshop**

CM Ando presented the written staff report and responded to questions from Council.

Mayor Bustichi reviewed the benefits of a current Economic Development Plan and recommended holding an Economic Development Plan Workshop in order to update the Plan.

CM Aguilar recommended setting priorities that relate to the Economic Development Plan.

M/S: Aguilar/Johnson

To authorize City staff to schedule a workshop to update the City's Economic Development Plan, to be scheduled after the budget process.

Carried 5/0

3. **Future Council/RDA agenda items**

None.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The City Council convened to closed session at 6:40 p.m. to discuss the following items:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, the City Council met in closed session to confer with their legal counsel regarding property negotiations, APN No's. 022-211-80, 022-601-02, 022-231-03, 022-601-01, 022-211-36.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The City Council reconvened to open session at 7:30 p.m.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Bustichi announced that there was nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 7:31p.m.

Approved: _____
Dene Bustichi, Mayor / Chair

Attest: _____
Tracy A. Ferrara, City Clerk / Secretary