

MINUTES

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

Date: March 5, 2008

POSTING:

The agenda was posted on 2-29-08
at City Hall, the SV Library, and the
SV Senior Center by the City Clerk.

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

Present:

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

City Manager Comstock
City Attorney Powell
Deputy City Mgr/Admin Svs Dir Ando
Police Chief Weiss
Public Wks Director Anderson
Interim Community Development Dir Westman
City Clerk Ferrara

COMMITTEE REPORTS VM Barrett reported that LAFCO met on March 5 and approved the clean-up of the Scotts Valley Sphere of Influence.

CM Reed reported that the Library Joint Powers Board met and reviewed their current and future budget deficits. He expressed his concerns about the approval for the construction of a Felton library prior to previously scheduled projects, including the Tier II Library for the City of Scotts Valley.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Frank Kertai, President of Heritage Park Homeowners Association (Monte Fiore), spoke in opposition to the construction of a Target on La Madrona Drive in Scotts Valley due to his concerns about traffic, water, pollution, crime, and economic impacts. He stated that he felt the Council does not community issues well enough and stated that he was concerned about the approval by LAFCO to amend the boundaries of the sphere of influence for Scotts Valley.

Wallace Berry, 444 Whispering Pines Drive #53 (Vista Del Lago), spoke in opposition to the upcoming Proposition 98 regarding eminent domain.

Paul Bach, Scotts Valley resident, representing the Scotts Valley Responsible Local Development Political Action Committee, a group composed of Scotts Valley residents and businesses, spoke in opposition to the construction of a Target on La Madrona Drive in Scotts Valley due to his concerns about crime. He submitted crime rate statistics for the Target Store in Watsonville from

1/1/2007 - 12/31/07; a chart showing 2005 crime rates of neighboring cities based on the FBI index of crimes per 1,000 people; and a report from WakeUpWalMart.com (Washington, DC), dated May 1, 2006, titled Crime and Wal-Mart – “Is Wal-Mart Safe?” An Analysis of Official Police Incidents at Wal-Mart Stores. These documents are file with the Scotts Valley Planning Department.

CM Reed questioned if City staff had been keeping the Monte Fiore residents informed of issues related to Target as requested by Frank Kertai of Monte Fiore.

ICDD Westman responded that it is the City’s opinion that the request from LAFCO to amend the sphere of influence for Scotts Valley to be the same as the City boundaries, was not related to Target; however, she did request that Associate Planner Taylor Bateman contact Mr. Kertai to let him know this issue would be coming to City Council.

Mayor Johnson requested that staff not only call, but also email and/or use postal mail to communicate with Mr. Kertai.

Paul Bach requested that the Scotts Valley Responsible Local Development Political Action Committee be included in any communications regarding Target on La Madrona Drive (pbach@rldpac.org).

VM Aguilar made a correction to the City Council minutes of February 20, 2008, page 3, Item 1C(1), changing or to and.

**ALTERATIONS TO
CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S: Aguilar/Barrett
To approve the Consent Agenda with the correction to the February 20, 2008 City Council minutes.
Carried 5/0

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve Joint City Council/RDA meeting minutes of 2-20-08, 12-5-08
- B. Approve check register – 2-26-08
- C. Approve Letter of Opposition regarding SB 375 (Steinberg):
Transportation Planning: Preferred Growth Scenarios
- D. Approve License/Indemnification Agreement between the City of Scotts Valley and Stanbery Development, LLC for access to City property for Skypark Town Center project

**ALTERATIONS TO
REGULAR AGENDA**

M/S: Aguilar/Barrett
To approve the Regular Agenda.
Carried 5/0

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Santa Cruz Meth Project (SCMP): Powerpoint Presentation

Aimee Mangan, County of Santa Cruz Friday Night Live Partnership, and Jim Weisenstein of the Santa Cruz Rotary Club, addressed the City Council and gave a Power Point Presentation showing the extent of the meth problem in our local community and presented some community led solutions. Ms. Mangan stated that the SCMP is a collaborative project between Santa Cruz Rotary, Santa Cruz County Friday Night Live Partnership and Together for Youth (a United Way of Santa Cruz County led initiative). She also stated that SCMP is a community based program providing education and support to schools, concerned citizens and neighborhood watch groups to raise awareness and prevent the consequences and impact of methamphetamine distribution and use in our community. For more information about the Santa Cruz Meth Project, please visit www.santacruzmeth.org.

2. Future Council/RDA agenda items

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Approved: _____

Randy Johnson, Mayor / Chair

Attest: _____

Tracy A. Ferrara, City Clerk / Secretary