

MINUTES

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

Date: March 7, 2007

POSTING:

The agenda was posted on 5-2-07
at City Hall 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 Johnson
Council Member Aguilar
Council Member Barrett
Council Member Reed

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS CM Reed reported that he had attended an initial meeting of the Green Building Subcommittee. He stated that Scotts Valley will be modeling our plan after the plan currently in effect in the City of Santa Cruz, and that the Subcommittee will keep the Council updated on its progress.

CM Barrett reported that LAFCO met and approved a sewer annexation adjacent to Scotts Valley where a septic system was failing. They also reviewed the budget and the City of Scotts Valley will be charged an additional 2.9% over the last year.

VM Johnson reported that the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC) met and reviewed the ground rules set by the Transportation Funding Task Force (TFTF). He also reported that the SCCRTC has received the full \$17 million that they requested for the widening of Highway 1.

Mayor Bustichi reported that the TFTF has 72 members. He stated that they have set ground rules and will first be deciding what projects they would like to spend money on then they will work on how to fund the projects. He stated that the TFTF is about one third of the way down the list of items requested, and that so far they have a 50% majority approval, but not a 2/3 approval on the items, which is the requirement before sending the list to the SCCRTC.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Charlie McNiesh, General Manager of Scotts Valley Water District, invited the Council and community to attend a California Water Town Hall event in Concord on March 29.

Chief Weiss announced that Captain Harry Bidleman will be retiring on March 16, gave a summary of his 27 years of service to the Scotts Valley Police Department, and thanked him for his support and assistance. He stated that a press release will be forthcoming with additional information. He reported that the Police Department currently has five officers in training – two in the academy and three in field training. He announced the following promotions: Sergeant John Wilson to the rank of Lieutenant, Services and Investigations Division (effective 3/1/07); Sergeant John Hohmann to Lieutenant, Operations Division (effective 4/2/07); Officer Dave Ball to Sergeant (effective 4/2/07); and Keith Tyndall to Emergency Dispatcher/Clerk II (effective 3/1/07).

Doug Greer, Spring Lakes Park resident since 1993, stated that he is concerned about traffic that enters Spring Lakes Park looking for a way to enter the shopping centers. He recommended that a sign be placed across the roadway to try to correct the problem (picture distributed to Council). Mayor Bustichi requested that this request be brought to the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee.

CM Barrett read an email that he received regarding the latest Bocce Ball challenge.

Mayor Bustichi reported that the 37th Annual Cioppino Feed and Dance, hosted by the Scotts Valley Lions Club, will be held on Saturday, March 10, 2007 at the CPDES Hall at Harvey West Park in Santa Cruz. He said to call 438-2356 for tickets.

**ALTERATIONS TO
CONSENT AGENDA**

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

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve Joint City Council/RDA meeting minutes of 2-21-07, 1-17-07
- B. Approve check register – 2-26-07
- C. Approve Resolution No. 1597.1 revising policies and procedures for developer requested financing districts to assist development projects (updating City of Scotts Valley Administrative Policy and Procedure No. 33)

**ALTERATIONS TO
REGULAR AGENDA**

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

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Presentation of utility art box winners by the Scotts Valley Arts Commission

Lisa Agliano, Chair of the Scotts Valley Arts Commission, announced the seven utility art box winners, introduced each artist, and gave the name of their artwork. She introduced the other members of the Arts Commission: Jeanne Shada, Mary Dettle, Claire Hodgins, and Sue Ann Murray. She also announced the sponsors of this program: Jeanne Shada, First Alarm Securities, Jeanette MacDonold, and Lifestyles Real Estate. Chair Agliano also introduced Paul from "A Sign ASAP" who is a sponsor and is reproducing the art work and placing it on the boxes as he did last time.

Art Work	Artist	Utility Box Location
<i>Beach Yard</i>	Alison Campbell	Long's Pharmacy/Mt. Hermon Rd
<i>Live Your Dream</i>	Denise Kiser Shaw	Lockwood Ln/Mt. Hermon Rd
<i>Branching Out</i>	Jeanne Rosen Sofen	La Madrona/Mt. Hermon Rd
<i>Creek Side</i>	Vanessa Stafford	Kings Village Ctr/Mt. Hermon Rd
<i>The First Sunset</i>	Elliott Bliss	Taco Bell/Mt. Hermon Rd
<i>See and You Shall Find</i>	Ivan Chan	Glen Canyon Rd/Mt. Hermon Rd
<i>Stop/Smell the Roses</i>	Anne Weisenstein	Whispering Pines/Mt. Hermon Rd

2. Consideration of an amendment to the affordable housing agreement for Kelly Court residential Land Division (LD01-001) and Minor Land Division (MLD02-002)

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

Rod Markell, property owner, reviewed the problems with scheduling PG&E and responded to questions from Council. He stated that the building is as complete as possible until PG&E completes their part.

Mayor Bustichi recommended that the City release all three units for final inspection as they become ready, not just the one requested. He stated that there is nothing more the owner can do at this time and the affordable units are essentially completed, pending PG&E.

M/S: Johnson/Barrett

To approve the amendment to the affordable housing agreement for Kelly Court residential Land Division (LD01-001) and Minor Land Division (MLD02-002) with an amendment to release all three of the remaining units.

Carried 5/0

3. Discussion: Draft Economic Development Plan

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

M/S: Barrett/Reed

To approve the 2007 Economic Development Plan.

Carried 5/0

4. Future Council/RDA agenda items

CM Aguilar stated that the City has received a memo from the State Housing and Community Development Office indicating that we have a lot of money in our RDA affordable housing fund and that we need to expend it within the next two years. She stated that there is approximately \$4.4M and on June 30, 2007 we will receive an additional \$1M. She requested two future agenda items as follows: (1) To possibly use \$1M to go toward the Habitat for Humanity project (6 affordable units) that was approved on Scotts Valley Drive; and (2) In accordance with our 2007 Economic Development Plan, discuss a possible commitment from the City to make sure that if we donate land or purchase land that it be 100% affordable housing, because we are 400 units short of our goal in the regional housing needs plan.

CM Barrett requested a future agenda item to discuss the ban of smoking in our parks.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The City Council convened to closed session at 7:00 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 real property negotiator regarding Assessor Parcel Number's: 22-231-03, 22-601-02
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956(b), the City Council met in closed session for a personnel session with the City Manager regarding public employment for the City Manager position.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The City Council reconvened to open session at 7:40 p.m.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Bustichi announced that there was nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Approved: _____

Dene Bustichi, Mayor / Chair

Attest: _____

Tracy A. Ferrara, City Clerk / Secretary