

# MINUTES

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

**Date: October 3, 2007**

**POSTING:**

The agenda was posted on 9-28-07  
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SV Senior Center by the City Clerk.

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**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  
Interim Community Development Dir Westman  
City Clerk Ferrara

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**    VM Johnson reported that the Library Joint Powers Authority met. He stated that the biggest topic of conversation was held regarding the library 1/4 cent sales tax measure that was passed in 1996 to enhance the library system. He stated that the sales tax measure was approved for sixteen years, after which time it will sunset, and will need to return to the vote of the people and require a 2/3rds vote for approval. He stated that some members of the Library JPA feel it may be wise to bring this back to election sooner than later. He stated that discussions will continue in two weeks to determine if and when it is appropriate to bring this back for election.

Mayor Bustichi reported that the Skypark Subcommittee met regarding the Town Center. He stated that the latest plan will be reviewed on October 16 at the Scotts Valley Community Center and invited the public to attend the meeting and provide input.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**                      CM Barrett announced that the Cultural Council Open Studios will be held the first three weekends in October.

A.G. Kawamura, Secretary, California Department of Food and Agriculture, spoke about the Light Brown Apple Moth and briefed the City Council on the scheduled eradication program/plan for the Light Brown Apple Moth in Santa Cruz County. He stated that aerial applications with a synthetic insect pheromone will be applied throughout the eradication area, including Scotts

Valley, and that residents in the affected areas will be notified in writing at least 72 hours prior to the aerial application of the pheromone in their area.

Mayor Bustichi announced that a pep rally will be held on Friday, October 5 at 7:00 pm at Scotts Valley High School before the football game where Scotts Valley will be playing San Lorenzo Valley.

**ALTERATIONS TO  
CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**Consent Agenda:**

- A. Approve Joint City Council/RDA meeting minutes of 9-19-07
- B. Approve check register – 9-24-07, 9-20-07

**ALTERATIONS TO  
REGULAR AGENDA**

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

**REGULAR AGENDA**

1. **Reconsideration of funding for Habitat for Humanity from affordable housing fund**

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

Andrea Tolaio, Acting Executive Director/Resource Development Director for Habitat for Humanity (HFH) in Santa Cruz County, stated that they would be disappointed if the Council rescinds their decision, however, they are prepared to go forward with Lennar on this particular project. She stated that they do have a possibility of coming to the Council with an independent Habitat build for which they may be requesting Redevelopment Agency (RDA) funding for that particular project.

VM Johnson questioned if the statement from previous HFH Directors, that \$180,000 would be required per home, is an accurate statement. Ms. Tolaio stated that it would be between \$150,000 to \$180,000 per home depending on square footage. She stated that they would need to go out into the community to look for funding.

CM Reed questioned if Habitat for Humanity would be able to construct within two years without any assistance from the RDA. Ms. Tolaio responded that this was an accurate statement.

Chuck Huddleston, spoke in favor of the City working with HFH and recommended helping them build eight units instead of six units.

**M/S: Reed/Barrett**

**To rescind the action of the City Council taken at a regular meeting on September 5 to encumber up to \$1,000,000 of affordable housing funds for use on the Habitat for Humanity project in fiscal year 2008-2009.**

**Carried 4/1 (NOES: Aguilar)**

**2. Discussion: Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) for 2008-2013**

DCM/ASD Ando presented the written staff report and responded to questions from Council.

Mayor Bustichi stated that he feels it is important for the Council to push back regarding our allocation numbers, and he is concerned about uncertainty in the future and how it will affect us.

CM Aguilar clarified that the Legislation indicated that if the City does not get our Housing Element certified in November, we will add on top of the 580 units we have left, the additional 315 that they want to allocate to us. She does not feel the City can take the chance of being penalized, and she also feels it is important to push back regarding these allocation numbers.

VM Johnson stated that he feels globally the allocation is much more fair this time. He stated that Monterey County is taking 80% of the allocation over the next few years and Santa Cruz is taking 20%. He stated that last time Scotts Valley took 804 units, which was more than our fair share, and with our traffic and water constraints, that is a concern. He stated that he feels very comfortable in supporting this resolution because he does not feel we can take chances.

**M/S: Barrett/Aguilar**

**To approve Resolution No. 1804 affirming the number of units to be allocated to the City of Scotts Valley under the Regional Housing Needs Allocation by the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments.**

**Carried 5/0**

**3. Discussion: Keeping of animals**

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

CM Aguilar stated that she brought this item forward because she feels most people in Scotts Valley are not aware of the City's regulations and she feels it is antiquated and unenforceable. She stated that there are a large number of people in Scotts Valley that do not comply, and she is trying to find a new mechanism to protect people who comply with nuisance issues, but want to have animals.

CM Barrett stated that he feels six domestic animals, not more than three of which are dogs, would be appropriate and more consistent with other cities in the county.

VM Johnson stated that he feels these rules were put into effect to protect our citizens from a nuisance because of irresponsible pet owners.

CM Reed stated that he agreed with VM Johnson's comments, and he is not opposed to CM Barrett's recommendation.

CM Aguilar stated that she had distributed a packet, *Responding to Data: A Guide to Constructing Successful Pet Friendly Ordinances*, to the City Council to help the Council make a decision in the future.

Tom Houso stated that he feels the control needs to be put on the irresponsible owner.

Kirk Seamonson stated that he had researched this ordinance and the ability to enforce it. He feels the City should be more concerned about nuisance laws than limitation laws.

The majority of the Council agreed to not make any changes to the ordinance at this time.

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

CM Aguilar requested that in any new ordinance with AT&T, we require them to revamp existing boxes instead of adding new boxes at the various corners around town.

Mayor Bustichi requested that water mitigation measures be placed on the next agenda for discussion.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Dene Bustichi, Mayor / Chair

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Tracy A. Ferrara, City Clerk / Secretary