

MINUTES

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

Date: October 6, 2010

POSTING:

The agenda was posted on 10-1-10 at City Hall and the SV Senior Center. and on 10-1-10 at 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 Reed
Vice Mayor Bustichi
Council Member Aguilar
Council Member Johnson
Council Member Lind

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

SPECIAL SET MATTER Mayor Reed presented a Mayor's Proclamation to the Scotts Valley Host Lions Club for their 40th Anniversary and thanking them for their community service

COMMITTEE REPORTS VM Bustichi reported that the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District met and discussed support for Proposition 22, which is a proposition on the November ballot trying to stop State raids on local funding and revenues of city, county, and special districts due to its negative impact on citizens and local communities. He stated that this year the State has "borrowed" \$1.9 billion in local government property taxes, \$2 billion in redevelopment funds, and shifted \$910 million in transit funding away from local transit agencies.

CM Lind reported that the Sign Subcommittee met today to continue working on the update of the City's sign ordinance.

CM Aguilar reported that she attended the League of California Cities Annual Conference in San Diego and the main focus was Proposition 22, and the importance of voting yes on this proposition at the November election because of the loss of billions over the last ten years to the State due to their lack of financial management. She also reported that the League passed a resolution related to unfunded State mandates that reaffirms the League's historic stance that any time the State imposes a new duty, responsibility, or obligation on local government it must provide an adequate source of funding to accompany the action and not presume that the new duty, responsibility, or obligation can be covered by a new local fee, assessment, or taxes.

Mayor Reed reported that the Library Joint Powers Board met and received an update from their Task Force on financial sustainability for the library system in upcoming years.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward.

**ALTERATIONS TO
CONSENT AGENDA**

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

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve Joint City Council/RDA meeting minutes of 9-15-10
- B. Approve check register – 9-23-10, 9-17-10, 9-10-10
- C. Approve closure of City Hall and Public Works administration on November 12, 2010

**ALTERATIONS TO
REGULAR AGENDA**

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

REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Consideration of including the skylight alternate to the Scotts Valley Library remodel**

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

Elizabeth Walch, Friends of the Scotts Valley Library, spoke in favor of additional natural light in the Scotts Valley Library, and spoke in favor of the additional 20 solar tubes instead of the 12 additional skylights. She stated that the Friends have a donor who will contribute \$25,000 toward solar tubes and that the Friends will make up the remainder of the cost. She stated that if the Council goes with skylights instead of solar tubes she will have to go back to the Friends and the donor.

Teresa Landers, Executive Director of the Santa Cruz Library System, spoke in favor of additional natural light in the Scotts Valley Library and spoke in favor of solar tubes.

VM Bustichi spoke in favor of skylights over solar tubes due to potential maintenance and operating costs.

M/S: Johnson/Aguilar
To approve the addition of 20 solar tubes as an alternate item to the library remodel contract, with installation costs up to \$32,000, to paid for by the Friends of the Scotts Valley Library.
Carried 4/1 (NOES: Bustichi)

2. Consideration of a program to apply planning fees towards the cost of building construction permits to stimulate economic development

ICDD Westman presented the written staff report and responded to questions from Council. She stated that the regulations for this new program would be:

- (1) Commercial projects that make a Planning Application after October 7, 2010 and before October 8, 2011 are eligible. (A one year program.)
- (2) A complete building permit application must be made to the City within one year from the date of the final Planning approvals for the Planning fees to be applied to the building (construction) permit.
- (3) Only the amount paid in Planning application fees for use permits, design review, variances, and planned developments will be applied to the building (construction) permit fee.
- (4) If the Planning fee exceeds the building (construction) permit cost, there will be no refund to the business.
- (5) All fees other than the building (construction) permit will need to be paid.

CM Aguilar requested that the Planning Department keep track of the businesses that take advantage of this program to determine the financial aspects of this program.

M/S: Lind/Bustichi

To approve a program to have Planning fees being applied towards the cost of construction permits, as outlined above, to stimulate economic development within the City of Scotts Valley.

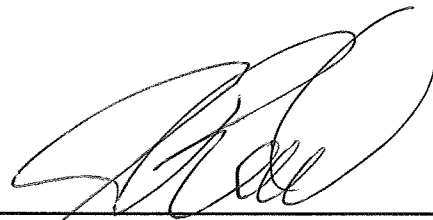
Carried 5/0

3. Future Council/RDA agenda items

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Approved: 
Jim Reed, Mayor / Chair

Attest: 
Tracy A. Ferrara, City Clerk / Secretary