

MINUTES

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

Date: October 15, 2008

POSTING:

The agenda was posted on 10-10-08
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 (left at 6:20 pm)
Vice Mayor Barrett
Council Member Aguilar
Council Member Bustichi
Council Member Reed

City Manager Ando
City Attorney Powell
Public Wks Director Anderson
Police Chief Weiss
Community Development Dir Wooden
City Clerk Ferrara

COMMITTEE REPORTS CM Bustichi reported that he had attended the American Public Transportation Association Expo in San Diego, on behalf of the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (SCMTD), to learn more about transportation, as well as look at legislative needs that they will be addressing in Washington DC in March. He stated that the SCMTD is looking at ways to find funding for new buses and more routes. He stated that they are also looking at ways to speed up service, possibly through the Smart Card system.

CM Aguilar reported that the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) met, and one of the key issues discussed was the AMBAG/PG&E Energy Watch Program, which is a program to help municipalities and businesses save energy and money. She stated that so far PG&E has invested \$1.1 million, and there has been an energy savings of 8,153,000 kwh. She stated that their goal is to save 8,484,000 kwh.

PUBLIC COMMENT Rudy Cabigas, SV resident, spoke in favor of Dene Bustichi, Randy Johnson, and Donna Lind, being re-elected/elected to the City Council, and commented regarding politics in the City and the upcoming City election.

Mike Keogh, spoke in favor of Dene Bustichi being re-elected to the City Council because of his active City and community involvement and participation.

Chuck Walker, SV resident and City Council Candidate, spoke regarding a letter he received from the City regarding the number of election signs he had on his property. He stated that he contacted the ACLU regarding the letter he received, and the ACLU had sent a letter to City Attorney Powell, informing her that the City's ordinance was not legal because it restricted free speech.

Pam Smith, SV resident, spoke in favor of Dene Bustichi being re-elected to the City Council because of his active City and community involvement and participation.

CM Ando reported that CDD Wooden had recently completed a week long class on Economic Development Finance, put on by the National Development Council. He stated that at the end of the class, an examination was given, which CDD Wooden passed.

PWD Anderson reported that the City will start its annual street surfacing program on Friday, October 17. He stated that a flier was passed out to the affected neighborhoods, which are: Navarra on the north side of Granite Creek Road, including Burlwood, Sunset Terrace, Hilltop, El Camino, and a portion of Navarra itself that was not done last year. He stated that anyone with questions or concerns should contact the Public Works Department at 438-5854.

Frank Kertai, Candidate for Scotts Valley City Council, announced that on October 16 the Scotts Valley Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a forum for City Council candidates at the Scotts Valley Community Center at 7:00 pm, and encouraged everyone to attend.

Rick Bowen, SV resident, spoke in support of Dene Bustichi being re-elected to the City Council because of his active City and community involvement and participation.

VM Barrett stated that the final weekend of Open Studios, hosted by the Cultural Council, will be held on October 18 and 19.

At 6:20 pm Mayor Johnson announced that he had to leave the meeting to be the Master of Ceremonies at the Scotts Valley/San Lorenzo Valley Sportsmanship Banquet. Vice Mayor Barrett took over the meeting.

**ALTERATIONS TO
CONSENT AGENDA**

***M/S: Aguilar/Reed
To approve the Consent Agenda.
Carried 4/1 (ABSENT: Johnson)***

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve Joint City Council/RDA meeting minutes of 10-1-08
- B. Approve check register – 10-7-08

**ALTERATIONS TO
REGULAR AGENDA**

M/S: Aguilar/Reed
To approve the Regular Agenda.
Carried 4/1 (ABSENT: Johnson)

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Discussion: Acceptance of donations on behalf of the Scotts Valley Educational Foundation

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

CM Bustichi stated that this issue came about from his attendance at a Scotts Valley Education Foundation (SVEF) meeting, where the SVEF talked about contacting PG&E to see if they would be willing to assist the SVEF in receiving donations. He stated that the SVEF would have to provide fliers and bear the cost.

CM Reed stated that the SVEF is looking to start a business partner program where businesses would display that they are a member of the SVEF and/or that they support the SVEF. He stated that the following criteria could be used for including fliers in the business license renewal envelopes: limit of up to three single sheet fliers that could be included without increasing postage; it would be open to non-profit agencies only (agencies would have to submit fliers that are on 20# paper and folded); first come/first serve basis; select a day in March or April where the first three agencies who submit requests could be included; to be eligible, the majority of service population (those who benefit from the work they do) must be in the City limits; fliers must have a business benefit.

CM Aguilar questioned how criteria would be established, i.e. first come/first serve basis, how many times can one organization submit, etc.

CA Powell stated that it is up to the City Council to determine the criteria.

VM Barrett questioned who would be stuffing the envelopes. CM Ando responded that City staff could not participate, and the affected organizations would have to provide people to do that work.

CM Reed questioned if it would be possible to use RDA employees, as long as there is an economic development related benefit to businesses.

CA Powell stated that as long as the City Council can make a determination that the minimal use of staff time to stuff the envelopes is an appropriate use, it could be done. She stated that it could only be non-profit organizations who would be benefitting residents/businesses, and they would not be promoting individual businesses in any way.

Josh Breedin, SV Chamber of Commerce, spoke in favor of this program and offered to have the Chamber staff provide assistance in stuffing the envelopes.

Frank Kertai, SV Council Candidate, expressed his concerns about non-City employees stuffing the envelopes due to privacy concerns and logistics issues.

CM Bustichi stated that he would talk with the Chamber and the SVEF to get their input.

The City Council reached a consensus to go forward with this program through the business license renewal system, with the parameters recommended above by CM Reed.

2. Discussion: Establishment of Ad Hoc Committee for ADA Accessibility

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

CM Bustichi stated that this came to his attention recently. He stated that he is concerned about accessibility issues in commercial and public spaces. He stated that he has learned that his new building is ADA compliant, but not ADA friendly, and he would like to see City properties evaluated for ADA accessibility. He would like to form a committee to tour areas of concern around the City, create a wish list, and start budgeting some of the changes through time. He stated that the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC) has a guide for ADA accessibility, and he stated that the committee could create a document that rates ADA accessible businesses in the City, and ultimately in the County.

Tom Houso, spoke in favor of the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee for ADA accessibility.

David Woolworth, SV resident, spoke in favor of the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee for ADA accessibility. He stated that there are several facilities in Scotts Valley that are not accessible to him.

Ellen Buckingham, SV resident and Nurse, spoke in favor of the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee for ADA accessibility so that all facilities are available to everyone. She expressed concerns about real estate signs that block sidewalks, and stated that there a lot of little things that can be done in the community that don't cost a lot of money.

Rick Bowen, SV resident, spoke in favor of the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee for ADA accessibility and offered his help on this committee based on his experience.

Bonnie Woolworth, SV resident, spoke in favor of the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee for ADA accessibility, and offered to participate on the committee.

Caryn Machado, SV Council Candidate, spoke in favor of the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee for ADA accessibility.

Angie Nomaly, SV resident (takes care of a sister with disabilities), spoke in favor of the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee for ADA accessibility.

M/S: Aguilar/Bustichi

**To establish a seven-member Ad Hoc Committee for ADA accessibility.
Carried 4/1 (ABSENT: Johnson)**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. **Consideration of a General Plan Amendment, Zone Change, Planned Development, and Land Division to create six single-family residential lots and one commonly-owned lot at 495 & 497 Lockwood Lane; APNs 021-071-02 & 021-231-09**

CDD Wooden stated that she had received an email from the applicant requesting that this item be continued to the next regular meeting of November 5, 2008.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED - 7:05 PM and continued to the next regular City Council meeting of November 5, 2008

Fred Richey, SV resident, spoke regarding the largest ponderosa pine tree on the property that is in question because of safety issues. He stated that the arborist made a recommendation that if the tree is kept it would have to be cabled together. He spoke in favor of the tree being removed and requested that a condition of approval be added to remove the tree as soon as possible, due to concerns about safety. He wants to be sure that the property owner doesn't wait until the commencement of construction to remove the tree, because that could be a few years away with the current economic/housing conditions.

CA Powell stated that the City would look at the arborist report and provide additional information regarding the tree prior to the meeting on November 5.

CM Bustichi requested that the arborist report be included in the November 5 City Council agenda packet.

Billy Rogers, SV resident, questioned the history of the development. VM Barrett recommended that Mr. Rogers speak with the Planning Department.

REGULAR AGENDA
(Resumed)

4. **Discussion: Amendments to Scotts Valley Municipal Code §10.08 prohibiting storage of vehicles on streets**

PC Weiss presented the written staff report and responded to questions from Council.

The Council unanimously agreed to have staff return with an ordinance for first reading and introduction incorporating the recommended language from City staff.

5. Consideration of Draft Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP)

PWD Anderson presented the written staff report and responded to questions from Council.

CM Aguilar requested that PWD Anderson integrate comments in the cover letter to the State Regional Water Quality Control Board that the City will be applying for any grants that may be available in order to implement this plan.

M/S: Aguilar/Bustichi

To approve the SWMP as amended and authorize City staff to submit the draft SWMP to the Regional Water Quality Control Board staff on October 24, 2008.

Carried 4/1 (ABSENT: Johnson)

6. Future Council/RDA agenda items

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Approved: _____

Randy Johnson, Mayor / Chair

Attest: _____

Tracy A. Ferrara, City Clerk / Secretary