

MINUTES

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

Date: October 18, 2006

POSTING:

The agenda was posted on 10-13-06
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 Aguilar
Vice Mayor Bustichi
Council Member Barrett
Council Member Johnson
Council Member Marigonda

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS VM Bustichi reported that the Economic Development Subcommittee met to go over the agenda for the Business Round Table/Economic Development Workshop being held on October 25, 2006 from noon to 2:00 pm at the Scotts Valley Community Center.

CM Barrett reported that the Santa Cruz Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC) met and distributed a report on the *Highway 1 HOV Lanes* and the *Soquel/Morrissey Auxiliary Lanes* project updates for September 2006. These reports are available online at the SCCRTC website: <http://www.sccrtc.org/>.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John J., 372 Lucinda Street, spoke in opposition to the propane companies moving to Lockhart Gulch Road and requested that the City Council seek other locations such as the Hansen Quarry or Felton. He stated that the proposed relocation of the propane tanks will not be safe, quiet, or pretty.

Police Chief Weiss announced that Red Ribbon Week will be celebrated the week of October 23-31, and stated that there will be a series of events held throughout the week.

Lucille Armstrong, student, spoke in opposition to the propane companies moving to Lockhart Gulch Road because of the smell, appearance, traffic, and drainage problems that it may cause.

Russ Woodmansee, county resident, stated that he is favor of the town center project and spoke in opposition to the propane companies moving to Lockhart Gulch Road. He stated that he wants to be sure that the EIR concerns are addressed appropriately.

Linda Hogan, Nelson Road, spoke in opposition to the propane companies moving to Lockhart Gulch Road because of safety and access.

ALTERATIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

CM Barrett requested that item C, regarding the large family day care home resolution be moved to the regular agenda.

VM Bustichi requested that item D, regarding winter grading at 4652 Scotts Valley Drive be moved to the regular agenda.

M/S: Barrett/Marigonda

To approve the Consent Agenda as amended moving item C and item D to the regular agenda.

Carried 5/0

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve Joint City Council/RDA meeting minutes of 10-4-06
- B. Approve check register – 10-10-06

ALTERATIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

M/S: Barrett/Bustichi

To approve the Regular Agenda as amended moving items C and item D to the regular agenda.

Carried 5/0

REGULAR AGENDA

- C. **Approve Resolution No. 1784 granting the appeal of the Planning Commission's decision to approve Conditional Use Permit No. U06-003 for the operation of a large family day care home at 601 Coast Range Drive // APN 022-702-22 and denying the project**

CM Barrett stated that he would like to continue this item to the November 15, 2006 regular City Council meeting, to review this item further.

M/S: Barrett/Marigonda

To continue this item to the November 15, 2006 regular City Council meeting in order to review this item further.

Carried 5/0

- D. **Approve request for winter grading to construct an office building and warehouse located at 4652 Scotts Valley Drive**

VM Bustichi stated that he would have to recuse himself from voting on this item since he is the owner of the property, and therefore, has a conflict of interest.

M/S: Marigonda/Barrett

To approve the request for winter grading to construct an office building and warehouse located at 4652 Scotts Valley Drive.

Carried 4/0/1 (ABSTAIN: Bustichi)

1. Discussion: Police Officer position

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

PC Weiss reviewed his portion of the written staff report and responded to questions from Council. He stated that one of the complications of filling this position is that with the new officers coming on board over the next year to fill the five current vacancies, we do not have enough personnel to train new officers.

Mayor Aguilar stated that she made this request to allow people in the department to have some sense of stability when there is sick leave, vacation, or when someone else leaves.

VM Bustichi stated that he needs to see additional information prior to making a decision regarding this issue since budget is a concern. He stated that in three years Measure C will be reduced from .50% to .25%, and with Measure C being only a temporary measure, things need to remain on a status quo for the time being. He stated that if we do not find a way to increase revenues and sales tax, we will not be able to afford the position once Measure C reaches its sunset.

CM Marigonda agreed with VM Bustichi's comments and stated that he feels we need to concentrate on filling the five positions that are currently vacant.

CM Johnson stated that he feels filling the current vacancies will go a long way toward stabilizing the Police Department.

CM Barrett stated that he feels this is premature at this time, as we need to fill the vacant positions that we currently have.

Mayor Aguilar stated that she feels it is critical to fill this position.

2. Future Council/RDA agenda items

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Approved: _____

Stephany E. Aguilar
Mayor / Chair

Attest: _____

Tracy A. Ferrara
City Clerk / Secretary