

MINUTES

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

Date: October 19, 2011

POSTING:

The agenda was posted on 10-14-11
at City Hall, the SV Senior Center, and
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 Bustichi	City Manager Ando
	Vice Mayor Lind	City Attorney Powell
	Council Member Aguilar	Public Wks Director Anderson
	Council Member Reed	Police Chief Weiss
		City Clerk Ferrara
Arrived at 6:42 pm	Council Member Johnson	

SPECIAL SET MATTER Presentation of Mayor's Proclamation for Friends of the Library Week,
October 17-23, 2011

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM Aguilar reported that AMBAG met to review "The Future of AMBAG Report" and the Board voted unanimously to move forward with AMBAG and work directly with the transportation agencies to develop a stronger coalition and cooperative program. She reported that AMBAG is also encouraging everyone to go to www.AMBAG.org to sign up to be part of Rideshare month to assist in cutting down on greenhouse gasses.

VM Lind reported that the Seniors Council met today and it was announced that Blue Cross pulled out of California with the Medicare Advantage Plan. She stated that a number of forums have been scheduled to provide information on this subject at the following: Santa Cruz County Health Services on Emeline Street on Friday, November 4 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm; Simpkins Swim Center on Thursday, November 17 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm; Loudon Nelson on Wednesday, November 30 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm; SLV Senior Center at Highlands Park on Thursday, November 10 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm; and the Watsonville Senior Center on November 14 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

Mayor Bustichi reported that the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (SCMTD) Board met and learned that retail sales tax revenues have improved slightly in the County. He reported that the SCMTD Board will continue to work on routes and adjust the service in order to best serve the

community. He also reported that the SCMTD was awarded a \$4.5 million grant, and with \$750,000 in matching funds, they will be able to purchase new buses. He stated that the SCMTD is working to reduce and eliminate diesel buses by switching to buses that run on compressed natural gas, which is better for the environment and less expensive.

Mayor Bustichi reported that the Town Center Subcommittee met and they discussed several issues surrounding the development of the Town Center and a variety of different options for the development.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Wagner, President of Olivet University, which took over the Bethany University Campus. He stated that Olivet is a Christian international university that wants very much to be part of the Scotts Valley community. He stated that the University has approximately 350 students, with 60% of the students being international, and they have accreditation for Bachelors, Masters and Doctorate degrees. Mr. Wagner introduced Dr. Ray Tollman, a Professor at Olivet University, who spoke regarding the student base and the University.

PC Weiss announced that Red Ribbon Week will be held October 22-30, with a kick-off barbecue on Monday, October 24. He stated that red ribbons will be distributed to the schools, and events being held throughout the week, including a poster contest.

CM Reed announced that a fundraiser for the Scotts Valley library, called "Murder at the Library", will be held on October 22, 2011 from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm. He stated that tickets are \$50 each and participants will solve a murder mystery, with a progressive dinner (catered by The Mint and Ottoro Sushi in Scotts Valley) taking you throughout the library, gathering clues along the way. He stated that there will also be a live auction of five big items and that additional information is available at www.fsvpl.org.

CM Reed announced that due to a new operating system for all ten library branches being installed, every branch in the Library System will be closed from Friday, October 21 through Monday, October 24, 2011.

CM Reed announced that Ecology Action will be holding a seminar on Tuesday, October 25 at 5:30 pm at their offices at 877 Cedar Street in Santa Cruz. He announced that there will be several speakers regarding what to do if your house is leaking energy and money, and stated that participants will learn about how cash incentives of over \$6,000, at low 3% fixed interest financing, can make energy efficient and solar upgrades within the reach of Santa Cruz County residents. He stated that additional information is available at www.ecoact.org.

ALTERATIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Bustichi requested that Item E be moved to the regular agenda due to a potential future conflict of interest.

M/S: Aguilar/Lind

***To approve the Consent Agenda as amended moving Item E to the regular agenda.
Carried 4/0 (ABSENT: Johnson)***

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve Joint City Council/RDA meeting minutes of 10-5-2011
- B. Approve check register – 9-30-11
- C. Approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 56.1 amending Section 12.08.020 of Chapter 12.08 of Title 12 of the Scotts Valley Municipal Code regarding abatement of public nuisances
- D. Approve Resolution No. 1198.19.2 regarding the Santa Cruz County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Program

**ALTERATIONS TO
REGULAR AGENDA**

CM Ando requested that Closed Session be removed from the agenda as there are no updates at this time.

M/S: Aguilar/Lind

***To approve the Regular Agenda as amended moving Item E from the consent agenda to the regular agenda and removing the closed session from the agenda.
Carried 4/0 (ABSENT: Johnson)***

REGULAR AGENDA

- E. Consider request for winter grading to construct a 3-story 112-119 room hotel, with underground parking and related property improvements in the C-S zoning district, located at 5030 Scotts Valley Drive // APN 022-091-61

Mayor Bustichi recused himself due to a potential future conflict of interest.

M/S: Aguilar/Lind

***To approve the request for winter grading to construct a 3-story 112-119 room hotel, with underground parking and related property improvements in the C-S zoning district, located at 5030 Scotts Valley Drive // APN 022-091-61.
Carried 3/0 (ABSENT: Bustichi/Johnson)***

CM Johnson arrived at 6:42 pm.

1. Discussion: Scotts Valley Town Center Phasing

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

Mayor Bustichi spoke regarding the Town Center Subcommittee's recommendations.

Doug Wiele, Foothill Partners, spoke in favor of the City Council moving forward with the Request for Qualifications (RFQ).

M/S: Lind/Reed

To approve the preparation and distribution of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to architects for a design of a senior/affordable residential project, with the final form of the RFQ will be approved by the Town Center Subcommittee prior to its distribution.

Carried 5/0

2. Discussion: Wastewater rate increase

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

CM Aguilar questioned if funds from the Capital Fund could be moved to the Operating Fund if necessary. CM Ando stated that he would research that question and get back to CM Aguilar.

M/S: Johnson/

To direct staff to proceed with the steps necessary to increase wastewater services rates at 4% over 4 years and

Carried 5/0

3. Future Council/RDA agenda items

None.

Closed session was removed from the agenda due to a lack of updated information.

~~CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION~~

~~1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, the City Council met in closed session to confer with their labor negotiator regarding employee negotiations with Mid Management Group, Scotts Valley Police Bargaining Unit, and Scotts Valley Police Supervisors Association.~~

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Approved: _____

Dene Bustichi, Mayor / Chair

Attest: _____

Tracy A. Ferrara, City Clerk / Secretary