



MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2008, 7:00 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 245 E. BONITA AVE.

PRESENT:

Mayor Curtis W. Morris
Mayor Pro Tem Emmett G. Badar
Councilmember Denis Bertone
Councilmember John Ebiner
Councilmember Jeff Templeman

City Manager Blaine Michaelis
City Attorney J. Kenneth Brown
City Clerk Ina Rios
Assistant City Manager of Community Development Larry Stevens
Assistant City Manager Ken Duran
Director of Development Services Dan Coleman
Director of Public Works Krishna Patel
Parks and Recreation Director Theresa Bruns
Planning Manager Craig Hensley
Associate Planner Kristi Grabow

1. CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Morris called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and led the flag salute.

2. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

- Recognize Mike Light for his contributions for our community.

Mayor Morris praised and presented to **Mike Light**, Manager, Albertson's, a plaque in recognition of his service and contributions to the community.

City Manager Michaelis presented the Mug of San Dimas which states "You have a Friend in San Dimas".

Ted Powl, President/CEO, Chamber of Commerce, introduced Boardmembers Margie Green and Joe Fransen, and said Mike Light did a tremendous job serving on the Chamber Board since 2005. On behalf of the Chamber, Mr. Powl presented to Mr. Light a plaque in appreciation of his contributions to the Chamber.

Margie Green, Boardmember, expressed her appreciation to Mike Light and said he would be missed.

Joe Fransen, Boardmember, congratulated Mike Light on his transfer.

Mike Light, Manager, Albertsons, thanked the City Council and Chamber of Commerce members and said San Dimas is his second home and part of him will always be here.

- Galen Gillotte, Children's Librarian, San Dimas Library

Mayor Morris stated that Ms. Gillotte was unable to attend tonight, however, anyone interested in the Library's activities can check the Library's website or the City's website and click on the link to the Library.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Members of the audience are invited to address the City Council on any item not on the agenda. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the legislative body is prohibited from taking or engaging in discussion on any item not appearing on the posted agenda. However, your concerns may be referred to staff or set for discussion at a later date. If you desire to address the City Council on an item on this agenda, other than a scheduled public hearing item you may do so at this time or asked to be heard when that agenda item is considered. Comments on public hearing items will be considered when that item is scheduled for discussion. The Public Comment period is limited to 30 minutes. Each speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes.)

a. Members of the Audience

1) **Ted Powl**, President/CEO, announced two upcoming events: 1) Annual Installation and Awards dinner on May 28, 2008 to honor incoming Chair Carolyn Anderson and present awards to local Business Men and Women who make a difference in the community. 2) 11th Annual San Dimas-La Verne Joint Golf Tournament to be held at San Dimas Canyon Clubhouse on June 20, 2008. The Chamber can be reached at 909/592-3818 for additional information.

2) **Kevin Frey**, Volunteer, San Dimas Relay for Life, invited the public to attend this year's event from 9:00 a.m. Saturday June 7, 2008 to 9:00 a.m. Sunday June 8 to raise money and awareness for the American Cancer Society. He explained that teams are formed to participate and the goal is to keep one member walking the entire 24 hour period. He outlined the activities for the two-day event including entertainment and food throughout the day.

Mayor Morris mentioned an opportunity to volunteer to participate in the dunk tank to raise funds for the event. He said several staff and volunteers are working on this community event.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

(All items on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion unless a member of the City Council or member of the audience requests separate discussion.)

It was moved by Councilmember Badar, seconded by Councilmember Bertone, and unanimously carried to accept, approve and act upon the consent calendar, as follows:

a. Resolutions read by title, further reading waived, passage and adoption recommended as follows:

(1) **RESOLUTION NO. 08-23**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING CERTAIN DEMANDS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2008.

(2) Approve Final Map and Subdivision Agreement for Tract 66251 Grove Station Mixed Use Project:

RESOLUTION NO. 08-24, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING THE FINAL MAP FOR TRACT 66251.

b. Approval of minutes for regular meeting of May 13, 2008 and special meeting of May 13, 2008.

c. Installation of speed humps on Avenida Loma Vista between Paseo Fortuno and Via Canada.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

(The following item has been advertised and/or posted. The meeting will be opened to receive public testimony.)

- a. Environmental Assessment and Consideration of the following related applications for 8.53 acres of land located at the Northwest corner of Bonita Avenue and San Dimas Canyon Road: General Plan Amendment 07-01; Zone Change 07-01, Municipal Code Text Amendment 07-03; Tentative Tract Map 07-01 (69609). Applicant: VCH-San Dimas Company, LLC

RESOLUTION NO. 08-25, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 07-01, AN AMENDMENT TO THE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN TO ADD A SAN DIMAS CANYON CENTER MIXED USE DESIGNATION, AND TO CHANGE FROM THE COMMERCIAL/SPECIFIC PLAN AREA DESIGNATION TO THE MIXED USE DESIGNATION, FOR PROPERTIES LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF BONITA AVENUE AND SAN DIMAS CANYON ROAD (APN: 8390-013-010, 011, AND 012).

ORDINANCE NO. 1175, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING MUNICIPAL CODE TEXT AMENDMENT 07-03, A REQUEST TO ADOPT A SPECIFIC PLAN NO. 26 FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT NORTHWEST CORNER OF EAST BONITA AVENUE AND SAN DIMAS CANYON ROAD (APN: 8390-013-010, 011, AND 012). **INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

ORDINANCE NO. 1176, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 07-01, A REQUEST TO CHANGE THE ZONING FROM COMMERCIAL NEIGHBORHOOD (CN) TO SPECIFIC PLAN NO. 26 ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT NORTHWEST CORNER OF EAST BONITA AVENUE AND SAN DIMAS CANYON ROAD (APN: 8390-013-010, 011, AND 012). **INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

RESOLUTION NO. 08-26, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP 07-01 (69609), A REQUEST TO SUBDIVIDE AN 8.53 ACRE PROPERTY INTO SIX (6) LOTS ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF BONITA AVENUE AND SAN DIMAS CANYON ROAD (APN: 8390-013-010, 011 AND 012).

Director of Development Services Coleman summarized the staff report for a General Plan amendment to change the land use from commercial to mixed use; a Municipal Code Text Amendment to create a new Specific Plan No. 26; Zone Change from commercial to Specific Plan No. 26; and a Tentative Tract Map to subdivide the property into six parcels are part of the proposed Bonita Canyon Gateway/Loma Bonita residents project that will redevelop the former San Dimas Canyon Center into a mixed use development consisting of approximately 40,000 square feet of retail on 3.61 acres of land, and 120 apartments on 4.93 acres of land, at the northwest corner of East Bonita Avenue and San Dimas Canyon Road, including demolition of the existing vacant 93,650 square foot shopping center. He stated that the Development Plan Review Board and Planning Commission recommend approval. Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. 08-25; Ordinance No. 1175; Ordinance No. 1176; and Resolution No. 08-26.

Councilmember Templeman reported that he attended the Planning Commission hearing on this item and supplied information on school overcrowding.

In response to Councilmember Ebner's question about the proponent's concern with the pass through driveway from Bonita Avenue shopping center parking lot into the residential area, Director Coleman replied that the Development Plan Review Board and Planning Commission discussed whether parking spaces should be allowed on the drive aisle and whether or not this shared driveway to the apartment complex should be shifted further east to align with the north and south driveway. He said although Fresh

and Easy is reluctant to eliminate parking spaces, the access to the apartment complex was realigned slightly to the east and the parking spaces remained. Director Coleman stated that discussion was also held about the possibility of speed humps to discourage speeding between Bonita Avenue and the Apartment complex and at the recommendation of the DPRB, there are conditions of approval required. In the final analysis, this is the current site plan as proposed and approved by the Planning Commission.

Director Coleman further responded to Councilmember Ebiner that the conditions of cooperation were made known to the applicants. He explained how the retail portion of the property is proposed to entirely drain to an underground retention basin and filter down into the ground water; the residential portion would drain into two bioswales that filter harmful solids and allow water to percolate into the ground water below.

In response to Councilmember Ebiner, Director Coleman replied that in the final design of the site plan, it was determined in a study with the City Traffic Engineer, that two left lanes were not necessary on south bound San Dimas Canyon Road, turning left onto Bonita Avenue.

Mr. Coleman further replied that there would be a large free standing arch element surrounded by raised planters and shrubs as well as decorative pavement at the corner element. He added there would be benches in the area.

Mayor Morris opened the public hearing and invited testimony from the principals.

Larry Kosmont, VCH-San Dimas Company, LLC, thanked city staff for working with them on the mixed-use project and introduced partners Tom DeRegt, Stuart Gruendl, Susan Perry, and Steven Schechter. He said the property has always been viewed as important to the City and understands for a quality community, the portal statement is critical. They have worked hard to strike a balance and are proud of what would be a gateway image. He said VCH San Dimas Company is a long term investor concerned about the quality of the project, day-to-day management, and will have a qualified management team onsite to ensure the residential property is properly maintained and managed. He said the retail tenants are governed by conditions that require them to be contributing and productive tenants. He stated that if the project gets approved tonight, they will be ready to move forward with a completion by early 2010.

Mayor Morris asked if members of the audience wished to speak on this matter.

Ron Kranzer, San Dimas Avenue, stated this is a marvelous project for the community a long time in coming. He recommended moving forward with all items on the agenda so that this corner can be developed as it should be.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Bertone praised staff for the excellent job and said for several years the City Council has held public meetings and open houses as it relates to this property. He is happy to support the project.

In response to Mayor Pro Tem Badar, Director Coleman stated that VCH intends to open both anchors at the same time.

Councilmember Templeman said the City Council has looked at more projects they thought were best for this site; but were waiting for the right project. This is the right project. He added that the City is mandated to have low to moderate income housing and the developer is able to put that housing on site as well as bring in some retail, which is an important part of being a successful project. He is pleased with staff's work and sustained effort of development.

After the title was read, it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Badar, seconded by Councilmember Bertone, to waive further reading and adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 08-25** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 07-01, AN AMENDMENT TO THE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN TO ADD A SAN DIMAS CANYON CENTER MIXED USE DESIGNATION, AND TO CHANGE FROM THE COMMERCIAL/SPECIFIC PLAN AREA DESIGNATION TO THE MIXED USE DESIGNATION, FOR PROPERTIES LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF BONITA AVENUE AND SAN DIMAS CANYON ROAD (APN: 8390-013-010, 011, AND 012). The motion carried unanimously.

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- b. Setting the Special City-wide parcel tax for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-27, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SETTING THE SPECIAL CITYWIDE PARCEL TAX FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009 TO BE USED FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE PURPOSES.

Assistant City Manager Duran reported that in November 1997, voters approved Ordinance No. 1086 adopting a special parcel tax to be levied against properties in San Dimas and included an annual adjustment to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. Staff recommended adoption of Option 2 of Resolution No. 08-27 approving a 3.3% CPI increase.

Mayor Morris opened the public hearing and asked if anyone wished to speak regarding the citywide parcel tax approved by the voters in 1997. There being no one wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

After the title was read, it was moved by Councilmember Bertone, seconded by Councilmember Badar, to approve Option 2 increasing the special parcel tax by 3.3% CPI by waiving further reading and adopting **RESOLUTION NO. 08-27**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SETTING THE SPECIAL CITYWIDE PARCEL TAX FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009 TO BE USED FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE PURPOSES. The motion carried unanimously.

6. PLANNING/DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

- a. Mills Act Contract Consideration for 606 South Walnut Avenue (APN: 8382-011-048)

RESOLUTION NO. 08-30, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING THE ATTACHED HISTORIC PROPERTY PRESERVATION AGREEMENT, PURSUANT TO THE MILLS ACT, FOR THE SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 606 SOUTH WALNUT AVENUE (APN: 8382-011-048).

Associate Planner Grabow presented a request from Dr. Antoune Saad and Dr. May Dagher to enter into a Mills Act contract with the City. Staff recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 08-30 approving the contract with the property owners to preserve the existing historic residence.

Dr. Antoune Saad stated he applied to take advantage of this program because it is expensive to maintain the house in an historical manner.

After the title was read, it was moved by Councilmember Templeman, seconded by Councilmember Ebner, to waive further reading and adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 08-30**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING THE ATTACHED HISTORIC PROPERTY PRESERVATION AGREEMENT, PURSUANT TO THE MILLS ACT, FOR THE SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 606 SOUTH WALNUT AVENUE (APN: 8382-011-048). The motion carried unanimously.

7. OTHER MATTERS

- a. Consider Fee Increases or financial participation for the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Budget:
 - 1) Consider increase of Business License Fees.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-28, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, SETTING THE BUSINESS LICENSE FEES RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09.

Assistant City Manager Duran reported that Ordinance No. 956 established fees for business licenses and allowed built-in automatic increases through 1993; as well as annual increases based on the Consumer Price Index beginning in 1994. Staff recommended adoption of Resolution No. 08-28, Option two, adjusting the business license fee rates for fiscal year 2008-09 by 3.3% CPI increase.

After the title was read, it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Badar, seconded by Councilmember Bertone, to approve Option two increasing the rate to reflect the change of the Consumer Price Index of 3.3% by waiving further reading and adopting **RESOLUTION NO. 08-28**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, SETTING THE BUSINESS LICENSE FEES RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09. The motion carried unanimously.

- 2) Consider increase of Planning, Building and Engineering fees, and similar matters.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-29, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS ESTABLISHING FEES FOR THE FILING OF CERTAIN ZONING APPLICATIONS, DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEWS, BUILDING PERMITS, ENGINEERING PERMITS, AND SIMILAR MATTERS.

Assistant City Manager Duran stated that at their May 13, 2008 special session, the City Council agreed to consider a cost of living increase to Planning and Engineering fees. He said that Resolution 07-43 established annual increases based on the Consumer Price Index for the period extending from April 1 of the previous year through March 31 of the current year. Staff recommended adoption of Resolution No. 08-29, approving the new Engineering and Planning, zoning related fees based upon a cost of living adjustment of 3.3%, and providing for an annual cost of living adjustment.

After the title was read, it was moved by Councilmember Templeman, seconded by Councilmember Ebner, to waive further reading and adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 08-29**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS ESTABLISHING FEES FOR THE FILING OF CERTAIN ZONING APPLICATIONS, DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEWS, BUILDING PERMITS, ENGINEERING PERMITS, AND SIMILAR MATTERS. The motion carried unanimously.

- 3) Consider contract renewal with the Inland Valley Humane Society and consider dog license fee increase.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-31, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN INCREASE IN ANIMAL SERVICE FEES FOR THE INLAND VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY.

Assistant City Manager Duran reported that the existing agreement with the Inland Valley Humane Society (IVHS) for providing animal control services the City will expire on June 30, 2008. The proposed new agreement is for a new three year term with two compensation options. The first option is to maintain the current rate if the City raises the annual license fee for altered dogs from \$10 to \$15. The second option is for the first year rate to be \$112,000, if the City chooses to keep the current license fee schedule. The agreement also includes a contribution from the City towards IVHS's renovation project. Staff recommends adoption of Resolution No. 08-31 approving the proposed new three-year agreement with an option that includes the increase to the altered dog license fee. Staff also recommends approval of the City's contribution toward the facility improvements. He said Executive Director Bill Harford is present to answer questions regarding the agreement or renovation project.

In response to Councilmember Ebner, Mr. Duran replied that the calculation is based on the proportionate share and projection of revenues. He stated that if revenues come in less, the City is still fixed in to that amount in the three-year contract.

Councilmember Ebner stated he preferred the increase to be less by \$2.00, instead of charging an increase of \$5.00. He disclosed that he owns two altered dogs and would benefit from the reduced fee.

In response to Councilmember Ebner, Bill Harford, Executive Director, Inland Valley Humane Society, explained the average calculations over the last three-or-four years that takes into consideration what could happen in the future to gas prices and manpower costs. He said it is the City Council's option to take the fee from the general fund or pass-through user fees.

In response to Councilmember Templeman, Mr. Duran explained that the Humane Society was committed to go forward with the renovation in the hopes that cities could participate. He said the renovation has started and most of the work has been completed.

Mr. Hartford added that the Board of Directors and staff realized the need to spend \$1.8 million and since October has spent \$1.1 million on renovations. He said most of the work for kennels and dog runs have been completed and the Board is working on renovations to create condominiums for the cat population, and the expansion of Customer Service and Adoption Center. The Board is asking cities collectively to agree to an assessment of \$700,000, payable over a five-year period.

In response to Mayor Pro Tem Templeman, Mr. Hartford replied that the Board decided to wait until negotiations came up to add the assessment as part of the contract document. He mentioned that this facility has served the City of San Dimas since incorporation and has done a marvelous job cleaning up to become a premier shelter in the Inland Valley.

Councilmember Bertone expressed support for the project and advised Mr. Hartford to be more aggressive in animal protection. He said more services are needed and felt that many cities would be willing to pay more for seven-day service.

The City Council further discussed whether or not it is appropriate to increase the dog license fee from \$10 to \$15 for altered dogs.

In response to Councilmember Templeman, Mr. Hartford stated that owners of altered pets are extremely responsible and will renew whether the rate is \$10 or \$15. He added that revenue for altered animals has been pretty flat. He mentioned that a 40-60% drop in unaltered pet fees is anticipated next year.

Mr. Duran said the rate increase is in line with most cities.

Mayor Morris stated that animal control is a city-wide service and moved to keep the rate at \$10.00 for altered dogs and paying the additional fee from the general fund.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bertone and carried unanimously.

It was moved by Councilmember Bertone, seconded by Mayor Morris, to approve the City's contribution of \$50,000 payable over a five-year period, toward the Humane Society facility improvements. The motion carried 5.0.

Mayor Morris stated it is very important that the facility be kept in good condition where animals are boarded and people work.

4) Consideration of funding request for the Chamber of Commerce.

Councilmember Bertone stated he was appointed to the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and would abstain from discussion and voting on this item.

Assistant City Manager Duran said the Chamber of Commerce had previously provided to the City Council a copy of their Annual Report and had requested a financial contribution for Fiscal Year 2008-09 in the amount of \$50,000.00.

Ted Powl, President/CEO, Chamber of Commerce, expressed appreciation to the City Council and staff for the continued financial support and the tremendous working relationship. He said if not for the contributions provided, the Chamber would be unable to provide the services for the many events and financial obligations.

Mayor Morris invited audience members to express their opinions. No one came forward to speak.

It was moved by Councilmember Templeman, seconded by Councilmember Ebner, to approve the annual contribution of \$50,000 for Fiscal Year 2008-09 to enable the Chamber of Commerce to conduct their ongoing activities. The motion carried 4.1; Councilmember Bertone abstained.

5) Consider increase of City Attorney compensation, Brown, Winfield, Canzoneri & Abrams Inc..

Assistant City Manager Duran reported that at the May 13 special session, the City Council discussed a request from the City/Agency Attorney for an adjustment to their compensation. Staff recommended that the City Council approve the proposed compensation request as outlined in the memorandum from the City Attorney.

Councilmember Bertone said the City deserves and is getting the best legal advice. Mr. Duran said the fee increase is in line with other cities.

It was moved by Councilmember Bertone, seconded by Councilmember Templeman, to approve the proposed compensation request as outlined in the memorandum from Brown, Winfield, Canzoneri, Abrams, Inc. The motion carried unanimously.

8. SAN DIMAS REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Mayor Morris recessed the regular meeting at 8:46 p.m. to conduct a meeting of the San Dimas Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors. The regular meeting reconvened at 9:03 p.m.

9. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Members of the Audience (Speakers are limited to five (5) minutes or as may be determined by the Chair.)

There were no comments.

- b. City Manager

City Manager Michaelis stated there would be no closed session tonight.

- c. City Attorney

There were no comments.

- d. Members of the City Council

- 1) Councilmembers' report on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency.

Councilmembers did not attend a meeting at the expense of the local agency and had nothing to report.

- 2) Individual Members' comments and updates.

1) Councilmember Templeman greatly appreciated those who were able to attend the Volunteer Recognition Dinner to support the volunteers. He said the number of hours volunteers put in during the year were greater than in the past.

2) Councilmember Templeman requested being notified when the demolition permit is issued for the Bonita Canyon Center.

3) Councilmember Bertone announced three activities of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments: 1) A Solar Energy conference May 28, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. in Monrovia city hall. 2) On June 13, 2008, in conjunction with the San Gabriel Police Chief Association, the Sheriff's Department will conduct a Gang Summit featuring the Attorney General as Key Note Speaker. 3) July 31, 2008, in conjunction with AQMD, the SGVCOG will host LEV, a Low-Emission in Vehicles conference to discuss laws and examples of LEVs.

4) Mayor Pro Tem Badar mentioned that last week several members of the City Council attended Reverse Government Day at San Dimas High School presented by the Student Body government. He said they toured the school, listened to seniors and upcoming classmen, and had a nice lunch.

5) City Manager Michaelis observed that on June 10, 2008, they may have a closed session at 5:15 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m. the Distinguished Service to Youth reception will be held in the City Hall Lobby.

10. CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Morris announced there would be no City/Redevelopment Agency closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8:

a. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATION

Property: Discussion regarding potential property acquisition involving Vista Verde Ranch property generally located in the unincorporated county area adjacent to and north of the development in Via Verde.

Negotiating Parties:
For City: Blaine Michaelis, City Manager, Larry Stevens, Assistant Manager Development Services, and J. Kenneth Brown, City Attorney.
For Seller: Daniel Singh
Under Negotiation: Terms and conditions of sale of grant application involving potential acquisition of land and possible City participation.

b. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION

The closed session was not held and nothing was reported.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Morris adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m. in memory of Beatrice Walgren, a long time resident of San Dimas whose husband, John Walgren, served as Manager of the Chamber of Commerce and Founder of the Festival of Western Arts, aka Festival of Arts. The next meeting is June 10, 2008, 5:15 p.m. for a special closed session and the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ina Rios, CMC, City Clerk