



MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2010, 7:00 P. M.
SENIOR CITIZEN/COMMUNITY CENTER
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM, 201 E. BONITA AVE.

PRESENT:

Mayor Curtis W. Morris
Mayor Pro Tem John Ebner (Arrived 7:02 p.m.)
Councilmember Emmett Badar
Councilmember Denis Bertone
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 Public Works Krishna Patel
Director of Parks and Recreation Theresa Bruns
Associate Planner Marco Espinoza

ABSENT:

Director of Development Services Dan Coleman

1. CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Morris called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the flag salute.

2. RECOGNITIONS

- Recognize Firefighter Paramedic of the Year
- Recognize Public Safety Employee of the Year

Mayor Morris said this is an opportunity to recognize the Firefighter Paramedic of the Year and Public Safety Employee of the Year who serve in San Dimas and constitute our public safety protection. He introduced Battalion Chief Vince Peña, Chief of the Los Angeles County Fire Department to provide a brief bio on Firefighter Paramedic Bernardo Diaz.

Battalion Chief Vince Peña, Los Angeles County Fire Department, thanked the City Council for honoring dedicated men and woman of Los Angeles County Fire Department for their service in a great city. He provided a brief bio of this year's honoree **Firefighter Paramedic Bernardo Diaz** and his career as a Paramedic.

Mayor Morris congratulated and in appreciation of his efforts, presented a plaque to **Bernardo Diaz**, 2010 Firefighter Paramedic of the Year.

Bernardo Diaz said the City has never failed to show support for the Fire Department and he takes great pride in the job he does.

Mayor Morris introduced Captain Joe Hartshorne, San Dimas Station, to provide a brief bio on the Public Safety Employee of the Year **Chris MacKenzie**.

Captain Joe Hartshorne, San Dimas Station, with great pleasure congratulated **Chris MacKenzie**, who is a positive asset to the San Dimas Station and City of San Dimas.

Chris MacKenzie thanked the City Council for the recognition and said she enjoys working with the City.

Mayor Morris congratulated and presented a plaque to **Chris MacKenzie**, 2010 Public Safety Employee of the Year and said he appreciates the work by the Sheriff's Department.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

➤ 50th Anniversary Flashbacks

Bill Emerson, Representative, San Dimas Historical Society, said since 1960, there have been 21 elected officials sitting at the dais and the following served as Mayor: 1960-68 Stanley Plummer; 1968-72 Buck Hooper; 1972-73 Tom Nuss; 1973-76 Jim Lough; 1976-80 Dr. Marvin Ersher; 1980-84 Ed Aleks; 1984-88 Don Haefer, 1988-96 Terry Dipple; and 1996-2010 Curt Morris. Mr. Emerson said Mr. Morris was first elected to the City Council in 1980. He highlighted the vendors, restaurants and service providers in the City since 1960.

➤ Pui-Ching Ho, Librarian, San Dimas Library

Pui-Ching Ho, Library Manager, San Dimas Library, said the summer Reading Program began and will continue through July 30. Prizes for reading are available. She invited the community to enjoy Wild Wonders and Walk on the Wild Side on Wednesday, June 23; Puppet Show on June 30; For free tickets to Annie's Banany Reading Adventure and Balloon Show on July 7, contact the Reference Desk; she invited everyone to come play board games from June 24 through July 29, from 2:30-4:00 p.m. The Book Party will meet on July 6 and the book for July is The Glass Castle; On July 10, 2:00 p.m. Advocates for Healthy Living will be at the Library with delicious samples of seasonal foods and vegetables from the Farmer's Market. They will share ideas for healthy breakfasts and give tips for getting the most out of local Farmers Markets. She said for information on any program, contact the Library at (909) 599-6738 or access their website www.co.la.publib.org.

➤ Crime Stopper presentation - Captain Joe Hartshorne, San Dimas Sheriff's Station

Captain **Joe Hartshorne**, San Dimas Sheriff's Station, presented a short video on the Crime Stopper Program and said the Sheriff's Department, along with 25 other agencies in Los Angeles County, entered into an operational agreement with Crime Stoppers, the newest generation of We-Tip, to encourage people to call in, text, or email anonymous tips through Law Enforcement that will be routed to the appropriate agency for investigation. Tipsters are eligible for a reward up to \$1,000 if information provided leads to an arrest. Captain Hartshorne said the program is self-funded through private and public donations and has proven to be beneficial to law enforcement and the community.

4. 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) **Tim Rowe**, President, San Dimas Little League, shared a heartfelt success story of the San Dimas Little League Autistic Division and expressed his appreciation for the City's ongoing support, particularly the Parks and Recreation Department. He announced that the San Dimas Little League will be hosting the 11-year old Tournament for District 20, encompassing nine Little Leagues in San Dimas. The All Star Tournament starts Saturday, June 26 and a schedule can be found on their website at sandimaslittleleague.com.

2) **Councilmember Templeman** acknowledged Jody Roberto from Senator Huff's office, in the audience.

3) **Ted Powl**, President/CEO, Chamber of Commerce, announced the recipients of the Awards for Business of the Year - Saffron; New Business of the Year - Dessert Shoppe on Bonita Avenue; Businessman of the Year - Tim Rowe; Businesswoman of the Year - Deanna Castle, San Dimas Grain Company; and Volunteers of the Year - Theresa Bruns and Edward Wolfe. He said the recipients will be honored at the Annual Installation/Awards Dinner on Thursday, June 24, 2010, along with the installation of Chamber Officers; Margie Green is the new Chairman of the Board.

4) **Mr. Powl** announced the City's 50th Birthday will be celebrated on August 7th, at Civic Center Park, with a deep pit barbecue, free rides and activities for the children, and music by The Answer. Pre-sold tickets are \$5 for adults (\$6 at the door); \$4 for seniors; and \$3 for children under 12. Tickets are available at the Chamber, City Hall, and Senior Citizen/Community Center.

5. 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 requests separate discussion.)

Mayor Morris reported that corrected minutes were distributed to the City Council.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Ebner, seconded by Councilmember Templeman, and carried to accept, approve and act upon the consent calendar, as amended, as follows:

- a. Resolutions read by title, further reading waived, passage and adoption recommended as follows:
 - (1) **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-35**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING CERTAIN DEMANDS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 2010.
 - (2) **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-36**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR THE USED OIL PAYMENT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES RECYCLING AND RECOVERY AS AUTHORIZED BY THE CALIFORNIA OIL RECYCLING ENHANCEMENT ACT.
- b. Approval of minutes for regular City Council meeting of June 8, 2010. Amended on page 8, line one, changing June 1 to July 1.
- c. Award of Cash Contract 2010-05, Downtown Parking Lots 2 & 3 Landscape Improvements, to D.H. Maintenance Services, in the amount of \$66,400.00.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- a. Consider Classification of Use 09-04, A request to allow the following uses as permitted within Specific Plan No. 9, Area 4 “Restaurant” & “Research Facilities, General” 343 - 433 E. Foothill Blvd., (APN: 8665-008-013 & -033) Associated Cases: Conditional Use Permit 10-01 (Shared Parking)

- 1) **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-37**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING CLASSIFICATION OF USE 09-04, A REQUEST TO ALLOW THE FOLLOWING USES AS PERMITTED WITHIN SPECIFIC PLAN NO. 9, AREA 4 HIGHWAY RETAIL, “RESTAURANT” & “RESEARCH FACILITIES, GENERAL” 343 – 433 E. FOOTHILL BLVD., (APN: 8665-008-013 & -033)

Associate Planner Espinoza stated the subject site was approved in 2005 for an office complex and the applicant would like to expand the permitted uses to include a restaurant and research facility. He stated that the Planning Commission approved a conditional use permit for a shared parking Agreement for the restaurant use and underutilized tenant space within the site. Staff and the Planning Commission recommend that the City Council approve the uses as permitted by right within Specific Plan No. 9, Area 4 Highway Retail, known as Canyon Trail Plaza located at 343-433 E. Foothill Boulevard.

Planner Espinoza responded to Council that the Research Facility currently occupies the first floor of Sea West Enterprises, Inc. and designs/researches components for telescopes. He said the tenant space is not occupied between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. as the employees work offsite for research and site development.

Mayor Morris opened the public hearing and invited the applicant to comment.

Jillian Thompson, Sea West Enterprises, Inc. provided a brief background on her culinary credentials and said she has a passion for food, and is looking to fill the need for healthy breakfasts, lunches, and catering. Her hours of operation will be from 6:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Mayor Morris invited testimony from those in favor of the project.

Travis Simpson, La Verne resident, said he works on Foothill Boulevard and supports the idea of having an extra restaurant that serves healthy meals.

Mayor Morris asked if anyone opposed the project. No one came forward to speak.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Morris closed the public hearing and brought the matter before the City Council for decision.

After the title was read, it was moved by Councilmember Badar, seconded by Councilmember Bertone, to waive further reading and adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-37**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING CLASSIFICATION OF USE 09-04, A REQUEST TO ALLOW THE FOLLOWING USES AS PERMITTED WITHIN SPECIFIC PLAN NO. 9, AREA 4 HIGHWAY RETAIL, “RESTAURANT” & “RESEARCH FACILITIES, GENERAL” 343 – 433 E. FOOTHILL BLVD., (APN: 8665-008-013 & -033). The motion carried unanimously.

7. PLANNING/DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

- a. Consideration to approve City Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy and receive and file the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory.

- 1) **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-39**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS ADOPTING THE CITY-WIDE ENERGY EFFICIENCY & CONSERVATION STRATEGY.

Assistant City Manager of Community Development Steven reported that in September the City was awarded a \$150,200 grant by the Department of Energy under the Energy Efficiency Block Grant program. He said the City contracted with CTG in the amount of \$52,345 for a study and development of a city-wide Energy Strategy, including a greenhouse gas emissions inventory. Mr. Stevens outlined five key goals established based on short-term and long-term objectives. He stated that a list of potential projects will be created based on the highest greenhouse gas emitting areas and assessed to determine the greatest level of impact. He said these measures meet DOE goals of reducing GHG emissions and conserving energy. Staff recommended adopting Resolution No. 2010-39 and recommended receiving and filing the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory.

In response to Councilmember Bertone, Director of Public Works Patel replied that staff is working with Gilead Sciences concerning the possibility of recycling discharged water if Public Works is successful in securing a grant for water reduction strategies. He added that staff is also looking into the use of recycled water for the golf course. Mr. Stevens stated that preliminary indications are that it would be a fairly expensive program, but is included as part of the long-term strategy.

After the title was read, it was moved by Councilmember Bertone, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ebiner, to waive further reading and adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-39**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS ADOPTING THE CITY-WIDE ENERGY EFFICIENCY & CONSERVATION STRATEGY.

In response to Councilmember Templeman, Mr. Michaelis replied that AB811 program is available for residents county-wide to borrow funds to complete energy improvements on their home.

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Ebiner, seconded by Councilmember Badar, to receive and file the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory. The motion carried unanimously.

- b. Consider DPRB Case No. 10-06, A request to construct a 65-foot high stealth wireless telecommunication facility resembling a water tower. The request also includes a block wall enclosure to house the mechanical equipment at 186 Village Court (APN: 8386-008-057).

- 1) **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-38**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW BOARD CASE NO. 10-06, A REQUEST TO CONSTRUCT A 65-FOOT HIGH STEALTH WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITY RESEMBLING A WATER TOWER AT 186 VILLAGE COURT (APN: 8386-008-057 & -058).

Associate Planner Espinoza presented a request from T-Mobile West Corporation to construct a 65-foot high stealth wireless telecommunication facility resembling a water tower adjacent to the north property line of 186 Village Court. He stated that the Development Plan Review Board reviewed and unanimously approved this request at its April 22, 2010 meeting after the applicant agreed to comply with the recommendations of the Review Board to adjust the plans accordingly, with the exception of graphics. Staff and the Development Plan Review Board recommend adopting Resolution No. 2010-38.

Councilmember Templeman requested that the applicant understand that graffiti must be eradicated within a reasonable period of time. Mr. Espinoza stated language would be incorporated into the conditions of approval.

Mayor Morris invited the applicant to present their request.

Barbara Saito, Avila Inc., T-Mobile West Corporation, said she encountered some challenges locating owners of trademarks for the graphic logos. She assured the City Council that graffiti will not be a problem and will be corrected without delay.

After the title was read, it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Ebner, seconded by Councilmember Templeman, to waive further reading and adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-38**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS APPROVING DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW BOARD CASE NO. 10-06, A REQUEST TO CONSTRUCT A 65-FOOT HIGH STEALTH WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITY RESEMBLING A WATER TOWER AT 186 VILLAGE COURT (APN: 8386-008-057 & -058). The motion carried unanimously.

- c. Request for extension of deferral of plan check fees for Loma Bonita Residences, an affordable housing project to be located on the northwest corner of East Bonita Avenue and San Dimas Canyon Road.

Assistant City Manager of Community Development Stevens reported that in 2008 the City Council approved a request and deferred 60% of the plan check fees until issuance of building permits contingent upon the submittal of the apartments for plan check by December 2009. The apartments were never submitted for plan check. In November 2009 the City Council approved a six-month time extension until June 30, 2010 subject to an agreement recorded in the form of a Covenant between the City and Developer. The Developer, VCH San Dimas, LLC, is requesting a second six-month time extension to allow them time to secure financing for the plan check fee and construction. Staff recommends approval.

It was moved by Councilmember Bertone, seconded by Councilmember Templeman, to approve a time extension until issuance of building permits or December 29, 2010, whichever occurs first. The motion carried unanimously.

8. SAN DIMAS REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Mayor Morris recessed the regular meeting at 8:12 p.m. to convene a meeting of the San Dimas Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:28 p.m..

9. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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

There were no comments.

- b. City Manager

There were no comments.

c. City Attorney

There were no comments.

d. Members of the City Council

1) Designate Voting Delegates for 2010 League Annual Conference.

The League of California Cities conducts an annual business meeting to take action on conference resolutions. Councilmember Emmett Badar is the City's delegate and Councilmembers Denis Bertone and Jeff Templeman are the alternates.

It was moved by Councilmember Templeman, seconded by Councilmember Bertone, to appoint Emmett Badar as the City's Delegate to the League of California Cities Annual Convention and to appoint Denis Bertone and Jeff Templeman as Alternates to represent the City of San Dimas at the League of California Cities' Annual Convention. The motion carried unanimously.

2) Appointments to Equestrian Commission

Effective July 31, 2010, there will be two vacancies on the Equestrian Commission. The City Council reconsidered two candidates previously interviewed. Councilmember Templeman recommended that the City Council appoint Yvette Picconi and Marca DeMonaco to the Equestrian Commission.

It was moved by Councilmember Templeman, seconded by Councilmember Badar, to appoint Yvette Picconi and Marca DeMonaco to the Equestrian Commission each for a two-year term expiring on July 31, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

3) Appointments to Senior Citizen Commission

As of May 31, 2010, there are four vacancies on the Senior Citizen Commission. Twelve candidates were interviewed on Thursday, June 10, 2010.

It was moved by Councilmember Bertone, seconded by Mayor Morris, to appoint Fred Garcia, Lou Gross, Denise Tornatore, and Ed Wolfe to a two-year term expiring on May 31, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

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

There were no comments.

5) Individual Members' comments and updates.

a) Mayor Pro Tem Ebner stated that Music in the Park kicked off last Wednesday with a Blues Band.

b) Councilmember Badar praised Public Works staff in conducting a community meeting concerning the Amelia/Gladstone Improvement project, and said, although there was low attendance at the meeting, several persons contacted Mr. Patel with their comments. Mr. Badar said this will be a good improvement for the City and kids going to school. He said Mr. Patel was able to secure grant funds for the project allowing the City to complete the project for under \$100,000 of city funds.

- c) Councilmember Bertone announced that the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority has released the first contract to construct a bridge over the 210 freeway for Phase II(a) of the Gold Line Extension that will extend from Pasadena to Azusa, and the ground breaking will be held on Saturday, June 26, 2010 in Arcadia. He said in attendance will be Congressman David Dreier, Congresswoman Judy Chu, Representative Grace Napolitano and Congressman Adam Schiff.
- d) Councilmember Bertone stated that Theresa Bruns, Director of Parks and Recreation, will be honored at the Chamber of Commerce Installation Dinner on Thursday evening, for all the extra voluntary work she does for the City. He said many staff members work after hours volunteering when and where needed.
- e) Mayor Morris said people are not aware of the amount of volunteer time city staff puts in with other activities not directly related to their jobs with the City and Ms. Bruns sets a tremendous example.
- f) Councilmember Templeman added that Ms. Main has gone through training to become a docent at the Walker House and several other city staff members have become involved in volunteerism at the Walker House. He mentioned that Mr. Frey is very active with the American Cancer Society Relay for Life.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Morris adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m. The next meeting is July 13, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. for a joint City Council-Planning Commission study session on the status of the NJD Development project.

Respectfully submitted,

Ina Rios, CMC, City Clerk