

**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING WITH
ASSEMBLYMAN CHRIS HOLDEN MINUTES
FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2016 10:00 A. M.
SAN DIMAS COUNCIL CHAMBERS
245 E. BONITA AVENUE**

PRESENT

Mayor Curtis W. Morris
Councilmember Denis Bertone
Councilmember Jeff Templeman

ABSENT

Mayor Pro Tem Badar
Councilmember John Ebner

STAFF:

City Manager Blaine Michaelis
Assistant City Manager Ken Duran
Assistant City Manager for Community Development Larry Stevens
Director of Public Works Krishna Patel
Director of Parks and Recreation Theresa Bruns
Los Angeles Sheriff's Department Lt. Andy Berg

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Morris called the Special City Council Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. MEETING WITH ASSEMBLYMAN CHRIS HOLDEN

Assemblyman Holden commented that he appreciates the opportunity to hear from the City Council on State matters that are of interest to the City.

i. Update on the City's activity and process regarding the Redevelopment Dissolution process

Mr. Duran thanked Assemblyman Holden for his past support in having the definition of city loans clarified in SB 107. He added that the City will be submitting its request for city loan approval to the Department of Finance within the next few months. Assemblyman Holden asked that the City send a copy to his staff and his staff will be ready to assist if necessary.

ii. Prop 47 and AB 109 Issues

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Chief Johnson presented a report on data collected by the Sheriff's Department regarding the impacts of Proposition 47. After presenting information he summarized that the Departments primary concerns at this time are that the County receives its fair share of funding made available from BSCC through the competitive process, which crimes involving weapons or theft of weapons should be treated as a felony and the focus needs to be on repeat offenders.

Assemblyman Holden discussed the feedback he has been getting from other cities, especially smaller cities and thanked the Chief for providing specific data.

iii. MS 4 Permit Requirements

Mr. Michaelis summarized that the City is facing an expense of \$159 million dollars over the next 20 years for the implementation of the MS 4 water quality permit. He suggested that the implementation of the permit requirements should be stayed until a funding source can be identified.

Assemblyman Holden commented that after hearing from several cities he has introduced a Joint Resolution asking the Federal EPA to re-evaluate the timeframes of projects and start looking at other resources for funding. He added that a California Legislators Working Group has been formed of Assembly, Senate and Congressional representatives to explore the issues.

iv. Status of road and infrastructure funding

Assemblyman Holden reported that there are three different transportation funding plans on the table, from the Senate, Assembly and Governor, each with different funding levels. He added that the Special Session on Transportation Funding runs until the end of the year and he anticipates there will be future discussions on each of the three plans.

v. Implementation on mandatory organic recycling

Mr. Duran reported that the City has been working with local businesses on the implementation of mandatory organic recycling for commercial businesses. He added that due to the lack of infrastructure for organic recycling it is going to be problematic and expensive for businesses, especially next year when more businesses must comply. He added that the City just wants to make the Assemblyman aware of some of the problems.

Assemblyman Holden asked that if the City has some ideas or suggestions for changes to let his staff know.

vi. Legislative strategy of limiting local government review on the siting of wireless communication facilities

Mr. Stevens reported that it appears AB 2788, legislation that would limit cities review and discretion over the siting of communication cell towers, is dead but there is concern that it will be revisited in the future. He showed examples from other communities of the visual impacts of structures and expressed that cities should retain some control on size, siting and aesthetics of towers.

Assemblyman Holden commented that he has been assigned to the Utility and Commerce Committee and asked for more specific information and examples from cities.

vii. Concerns with pending "housing" legislation

Mr. Stevens reviewed several pending bills that impact cities discretion over housing projects, in particular those impacting granny flats and the Governor' housing "by right" proposal. Mr. Stevens reviewed the City's current granny flat guidelines. Assemblyman Holden commented that it sounds like the City's position is that statewide regulations are not necessary. Mr. Stevens responded that the City's regulations have been effective for the City and the homeowner and a statewide one size fits all approach is not necessary.

Assemblyman Holden explained the legislation that he introduced addressing density bonus for non-profits such as a situation with All Saints Church in Pasadena.
(Mayor Morris left the meeting at 11:10 a.m.)

viii. Water conservation plumbing fixture requirements

Mr. Stevens commented that SB 407 requires homeowners who are remodeling to retrofit plumbing fixtures to low flow beginning next year and for cities to inspect for compliance. He added that this approach is very problematic and that the city will most likely require homeowners to self-certify their compliance. Assemblyman Holden suggested that if the City had suggestions for legislative changes that they pass those on to him.

ix. AB 2444 Parks Bond Act

Assemblyman Holden commented that he does not believe that the legislation that was discussed for a new Parks Bond is moving forward.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

a. Members of the Public

None.

b. City Representatives

Councilmember Templeman commented that members of the community are tired of the Metrolink train horns and that the City has suggested that this is a Metro problem that they need to solve.

c. State Representatives

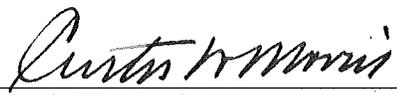
Assemblyman Holden commented that this is always a hectic time of year at the Capital with the end of session and there are many significant issues being discussed such as Cap and Trade, housing and transportation. He added that he is the Chair of the Select Committee on Regional Transportation and Interconnectivity Solutions and that they will be holding a field hearing on September 29th to get feedback from local officials on road conditions, funding solutions and managing regional growth.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.



Ken Duran, City Clerk



Curtis W. Morris, Mayor

Approved: August 23, 2016