

MINUTES

JOINT CITY COUNCIL/CITY COUNCIL AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO DISSOLVED REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY/COMMUNITY FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF DUARTE REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 23, 2016

CALL TO ORDER	The City Council/City Council as Successor Agency to Dissolved Redevelopment Agency/Housing Authority/Community Facilities Financing Authority of the City of Duarte met in a regular meeting in the Council Chambers, 1600 Huntington Drive, Duarte, California. Mayor Pro Tem Finlay called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.
RECORDATION OF ATTENDANCE	The following were in attendance: PRESENT: Fasana (6:36 p.m.), Finlay, Paras-Caracci, Reilly ABSENT: Kang ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: City Manager George, City Attorneys Melching and Cosgrove
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	George stated Jack Ochoa indicated he could not attend the meeting to receive recognition. Reilly moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to adopt the agenda, as amended to remove Special Item 8.A, and carried with Kang absent.
CLOSED SESSION Conference – Legal Counsel Existing Litigation	There was no public input. Melching announced the Closed Session is a conference with legal counsel pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9; Existing Litigation; 2 cases: (1) City of Duarte v. Matosantos, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2012-80001338-CU-WM-GDS, and (2) City of Duarte v. Matosantos, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-3012-800001487. The Closed Session concluded at 6:55 p.m. City Council reconvened at 7:02 p.m., with four members present, and Kang absent.
PLEDGE TO THE FLAG	Jeff Melching led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
MOMENT OF REFLECTION	A moment of reflection was observed.
FITNESS/MENTAL WARM-UP	Melching and Finlay provided the warm-up.
PUBLIC REPORT – CLOSED SESSION ITEM	Melching announced the two cases discussed related to the State Department of Finance and the former Redevelopment Agency, it was determined that most of the objectives were achieved, and by a vote of 4-0 (with Kang absent), the cases were dismissed.
SPECIAL ITEMS Public Safety Update	Brian Villalobos presented a monthly update about public safety activities, discussed the plans for the grand opening of the Gold Line, and answered questions from Councilmembers about incidents recorded on home video cameras.
Redevelopment Dissolution	Jeff Melching presented an update report of where we are with regard to post-redevelopment, and discussed the senior housing

project, long-range property management plan, and loan repayments. It was noted that this item will no longer appear on future Agendas.

Council Bill 16-R-05
City Attorney designation
(David Cosgrove)

Mayor Pro Tem Finlay read by title Council Bill 16-R-05:
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE UPDATING CITY ATTORNEY DESIGNATION
Mayor Pro Tem Finlay provided biographical information about David Cosgrove, and welcomed him to the City. Mr. Cosgrove expressed his appreciation to the City and stated he looks forward to serving as City Attorney.

City Councilmembers and the City Manager thanked Jeff Melching for his service to the City, and presented him with a plaque in recognition of representing the City as City Attorney from April 2014–February 2016. Mr. Melching stated he enjoyed his service to the City, and thanked City Council and staff.

RECESS

Mayor Pro Tem Finlay called a Recess at 7:32 p.m. for a reception for outgoing City Attorney Jeff Melching and incoming City Attorney David Cosgrove. City Council reconvened at 7:52 p.m., with four members present, and Kang absent. Melching left the dais, and Cosgrove assumed his chair on the dais.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Joanna Gee, Duarte Library, announced upcoming programs, workshops, and story times in February, March, and April.

Karen Herrera presented community announcements about City events, celebrations, and activities in February and March.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following spoke on items not on the Agenda.
Cristin Mondy, L.A. County Public Health – Zika Virus.
Jason Farned, SGV Vector Control – Invasive mosquitos.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Fasana moved, Reilly seconded to approve the Consent Calendar as follows, and carried with Kang absent.
Approve Items A, B, C, D, E, F.

Item D – Council Bill 16-O-02
(Second Reading)
ORDINANCE NO. 862
Water Efficient Landscaping

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT (MCA) 15-05 WHICH WOULD AMEND CHAPTER 19.40 "LANDSCAPING" OF ARTICLE 3, "REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL ZONES", TO TITLE 19 OF THE DUARTE DEVELOPMENT CODE IN ITS ENTIRETY, TO REVISE REGULATIONS PRIMARILY RELATED TO WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPING, IN COMPLIANCE WITH NEW STATE REQUIREMENTS

Item E – Council Bill 16-R-06
RESOLUTION NO. 16-06
L.A. County General Services
Agreement renewal

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF THE GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

RESOLUTION
Council Bill 16-R-07
Purchase/Sale Agreement
956 Huntington Drive

Cosgrove read by title Council Bill 16-R-07:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUARTE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY AT 956 HUNTINGTON DRIVE FROM SOUTHERN PACIFIC REALTY PARTNERS III, LLC TO THE CITY FOR ITS FULL FAIR MARKET VALUE

Craig Hensley presented a staff report about the agreement, purchase price, and real estate cost.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-07

Fasana moved, Reilly seconded to approve the agreement, and to adopt Resolution No. 16-07, and carried with Kang absent.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
(Continuation)

The following spoke on items not on the Agenda.
Mr. Nakamura – Street cleaning, mosquitos.

ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL
CITY MANAGER

COSGROVE: Thanked City Council for his appointment, and stated he is looking forward to working together.

GEORGE: Stated he and Councilmember Fasana attended the COG strategic planning workshop, and he and Brian Villalobos will be attending the annual City Manager/Sheriff's Conference on Thursday and Friday of this week.

PARAS-CARACCI: Stated she spoke at the Kiwanis Club of Fil-Am Metro LA, rode the City of Hope float in the Golden Dragon Parade in Chinatown, she was invited by the Consul General of the Philippines to meet President Aquino III, she cast Duarte's vote for Michael Cacciotti for AQMD representation, commended Steve Ly, and stated prior to Wilderness Day, there is graffiti on some walls facing Encanto in Azusa that need to be painted over.

REILLY: Attended LARA awards event, she took a windshield tour of the Gold Line pre-passenger service, stated on the west side of Highland between Evergreen and Business Center Drive, there is no sidewalk (Hensley noted that is part of the ATP project), inquired about the roofing on Grocery Outlet (Hensley responded), asked if the two lanes of parking closest to the Senior Center can be marked for seniors only, thanked Jeff Melching for doing a great job, and welcomed David Cosgrove.

FASANA: Stated he and the City Manager attended the SGV COG strategic planning session where there were discussions about transportation, Alameda corridor east, stormwater regulations, housing, and homeless services, stated Mike Gatto is proposing legislation related to parking and street sweeping that we can look at, inquired if we have updated bus routes on our website (Petersen responded about new signs, maps, and routes), stated he is not concerned that we need to put stop times on each sign, encouraged all to look for opportunities to use transit,

an announcement will be made soon about the Culver City to Santa Monica route, and asked that the Council Meeting also be adjourned in memory of Beverly Margett.

FINLAY: Discussed an article in the newspaper regarding the red line, she is looking forward to the March 5th grand opening event, thanked Councilmember Fasana for his part in bringing mass transit to the area, looking forward to Wilderness Day on April 2, one website rated Fish Canyon Falls as the top waterfall in Southern California, thanked the Ed Foundation for giving \$30,000 to DUSD for new musical instruments, and stated Jeff Melching will be missed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m., in memory of Antonin Scalia, Beverly Margett, and Kevin Fish.

Mayor Pro Tem Margaret Finlay

ATTEST:

City Clerk