

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 – NOVEMBER 10, 2015

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 Paras-Caracci called the meeting to order at 5:41 p.m.
RECORDATION OF ATTENDANCE	The following were in attendance: PRESENT: Fasana, Finlay, Kang (left at 8:38 p.m.), Reilly (left at 8:38 p.m.), Paras-Caracci ABSENT: None ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: City Manager George, City Attorney Melching
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Finlay moved, Kang seconded to adopt the Agenda, and carried unanimously.
WORKSHOP City of Duarte Transit System Implementation	A workshop was held for a presentation and discussion about the City of Duarte transit system implementation. It was determined that the item would be agendized at a future Council Meeting for further discussion to include funding and consideration of a budget amendment, with a report of implemented recommended steps as outlined in the presentation. The workshop concluded at 6:55 p.m. City Council reconvened at 7:11 p.m., with all members present.
PLEDGE TO THE FLAG	Sgt. Tony Haynes led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
MOMENT OF REFLECTION	A moment of reflection was observed.
FITNESS/MENTAL WARM-UP	Reilly and Finlay provided the warm-up.
SPECIAL ITEMS Item Added – Recognition of Ranchero Restaurant	Finlay moved, Reilly seconded to add a Special Item recognizing Ranchero Restaurant, and carried unanimously. Mayor Paras-Caracci presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the Mejia family in recognition of 25 years of successfully operating Ranchero Restaurant and for being a key community partner for many Duarte community events.
Public Safety Update	Sgt. Tony Haynes and Brian Villalobos provided a report on recent incidents related to public safety.
Redevelopment Dissolution	There were no new items to report.
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Sheryl Lefmann announced upcoming Chamber events and the “Shop Duarte” program.

Karen Herrera presented community announcements about City events, programs, and workshops in November and December.

Ryan Ricchio, Duarte Library, announced events, story times, and classes in November.

Felipe Valdez announced upcoming Mayor's Youth Council and Teen Center events in November.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Finlay moved, Kang seconded to approve the Consent Calendar, as follows, and carried unanimously.

Approve Items A, B, C, E, F.

Remove Item D.

ITEM REMOVED

Item D – Resignation from
Commission – W. Lawrence

City Council asked that Mr. Lawrence reconsider his resignation, and that he contact staff should he decide to rescind it.

Fasana requested a report within the next two months with some options pertaining to citizen involvement in the ARB, and a Planning Commission work plan, to include items the Commission could consider. Council concurred.

ITEM D – RECEIVE AND FILE

Reilly moved, Fasana seconded to receive and file the notice of resignation from the Planning Commission by William Lawrence, and carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Agreement – Kosmont
Economic Development Services
Budget Amendment \$27,500

Craig Hensley presented a staff report about the item, and introduced Ken Hira from Kosmont Companies, who answered questions from Councilmembers pertaining to the proposal, scope of service, and tasks, and provided an overview of Kosmont Companies.

Fasana moved, Kang seconded to authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Kosmont Companies for retail trade area and economic development services, and approved a related \$27,500 budget amendment, and carried unanimously.

Paras-Caracci suggested the survey include local businesses also, not just residents.

Duarte Swimming Pool Project
Budget Amendment \$227,000

Cesar Monsalve presented a staff report about the item, including an overview of pool usage, attendance statistics, and the renovation, repair, and replacement process.

Fasana moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to approve the Duarte Swimming Pool project budget amendment request, and asked that the City Manager meet with the School Superintendent to see if the School District would like to participate in the cost to install diving/starter blocks at the pool, and carried unanimously.

Discussion/Direction regarding
Citywide Street Sweeping
(Continued to 12/8/15)

Reilly moved, Fasana seconded to continue the item "Discussion/Direction regarding Citywide street sweeping" to the meeting of December 8, 2015, and carried unanimously.

ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL/
CITY MANAGER

KANG: Stated he and Councilmember Reilly will be going to Beijing pertaining to economic development and the creation of jobs for Southern California, he would like to expedite the Ham program in conjunction with the CERT program in preparation for El Niño, and noted he would donate Ham radios to the City.

REILLY: Stated she and Councilmember Kang will be going to China and no public funds will be used, noted the repair and renovation of the pool is highly needed, and stated it is good to have the School District's input regarding the starting blocks.

FASANA: Attended Monrovia-Duarte Black Alumni Association event, stated he has questions about the network and the Wi-Fi not working in the Community Center at times, asked that a conversation be held with the School Superintendent about televising School Board meetings, congratulated the new Board members, the Walk for Hope event was well-attended, attended Valley Light Industries luncheon and Friends of the Duarte library event, stated the 10/605 flyover is open, and the ground-breaking of the Grand Avenue ramp at the 57/60 was held.

FINLAY: Stated Veterans Day was originally Armistice Day, read a quote from John F. Kennedy, and stated she is grateful to veterans, service men, and service women.

PARAS-CARACCI: Stated she looks forward to working with the School Superintendent and Board Members, congratulated all who ran in the School Board election, asked that the Duarte Choir be invited to perform at a Council Meeting, stated the baby boogie class will perform on Saturday, and regarding the pool starting blocks, asked if they would be permanent or temporary, and she hopes the discussion with the School District is balanced.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk