

CITY OF RANCHO CORDOVA

Minutes of Meeting of The City Council July 21, 2003

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Rancho Cordova was held on Monday, July 21, 2003 at the City Council Chambers. Mayor Dave Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

<u>ROLL CALL:</u> Council Members Present:	Cooley, McGarvey, Sander, Budge, Roberts
Council Members Absent:	None
Staff Present:	Interim City Manager Charles Cate City Attorney Steven Meyers Assistant to City Manager Curt Haven Interim City Clerk Diana Biddle

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was conducted.

INVOCATION

The invocation was presented by Reverend Akira Sebe of Sacramento Gedatsu Church.

AGENDA APPROVAL

It was requested Item 12b. be considered following the Public Comment section. Upon a motion by Council Member Budge, seconded by Council Member McGarvey, the agenda was approved with the change. Motion carried.

AYES:	Council Members:	McGarvey, Cooley, Sander, Budge, Roberts
NOES:	Council Members:	None
ABSENT:	Council Members:	None
ABSTAIN:	Council Members:	None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Council Member Budge, seconded by Council Member Cooley, the Minutes of June 9, 2003 were approved with a name spelling correction. Motion carried.

AYES:	Council Members:	McGarvey, Cooley, Sander, Budge, Roberts
NOES:	Council Members:	None
ABSENT:	Council Members:	None
ABSTAIN:	Council Members:	None

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Council Member Cooley noted information is being gathered to give to CalTrans for the Rancho Cordova highway signs.
- Council Member Budge noted invitations have been received from Healthy Start (10/4) and Costco Backpack event (8/25).
- Council Member Sander noted the 4th of July wrap-up is 7/22.
- Council Member Roberts noted attendance at a meeting with CRPD and Chamber of Commerce luncheon. The Mather Regional Park dedication is scheduled for 7/26; Okay Day panel is 8/2.
- Council Member Budge inquired if there was a method to provide public access to information about meetings and events. Mr. Haven suggested the Council Members e-mail or fax their items to him and he will develop a calendar for the website.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Larry Ladd of Rancho Cordova expressed his concern regarding water contamination and the relocation of replacement wells. He asked the City to expedite permits for possibly locating those wells in Hagan Park. The Council noted it was not their decision, but that of the Park District to approve the location of the wells at Hagan Park.
- Tim Foley expressed his concern over traffic, infrastructure and power. He asked about the new tax on the SMUD bill in Rancho Cordova. Mayor Roberts said it is not a new tax but is received by the City now, not the County. Mr. Foley stated he would like to see all power lines underground.

NEW BUSINESS (out-of-order)

12B. Report from Sheriff's Department regarding a recommendation to restore Problem Oriented Policing Officers and School Resource Officer.

Due to budget cuts, the County has deleted the positions of three POP officers and 1 SRO. The elimination of these positions leaves the City with only one SRO to cover the entire district. Captain George Anderson presented a request for the City to enter into an MOU with the County to fund these positions for 2003-2004. All agreed they are a very valuable proactive service to the community. The total cost to the City will be a maximum of \$412,056. The associated vehicle, equipment and services and supplies costs will be paid for as part of the interim year billable costs amortized over 5 years.

Janie D'Arcos of the FCUSD noted the school district supports the proposal; more than 1 SRO is needed to be effective.

Council Member Cooley asked about the Weed and Seed program. It was noted the POP officers are an integral part of the program working in school neighborhoods.

Concern was expressed over AM Winn and Abraham Lincoln schools, in the City but not in the district. Captain Anderson was unsure what could be done but it will be looked into. They currently call 911 if there is a problem. Council Member McGarvey asked about Weed and Seed money; it may be available the second year for this program. It was noted the officers will be working in the City boundaries only.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Judy Thomas of Rancho Cordova noted POP officers are very effective and it would be ideal to have at least for every grade level. Chuck Myer agreed.
- Walt Meyers asked about the impact on the budget. It was noted the amount is already in the budget due to decrease in services from the county.
- Ray Savorn of Cordova High School suggested the POP officers be screened for their interest in Rancho Cordova and should be interviewed by the Council. Captain Anderson ensured the officers are handpicked to ensure their dedication to the City.

Motion by Council Member Cooley, seconded by Council Member Budge, referred item 12B, to staff for consideration and preparation of a draft MOU and authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement.

AYES: Council Members: McGarvey, Cooley, Sander, Budge, Roberts
NOES: Council Members: None
ABSENT: Council Members: None
ABSTAIN: Council Members: None

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 9A. Adoption of Resolution No. 37-2003, A Resolution Acknowledging the Outstanding Contribution of the Sacramento Regional Transit District to the Residents of Rancho Cordova.**
- 9B. Report and recommendation to retain the firm of SJZ to conduct appraisal work in connection with the Sunrise Anatolia CFD No. 1 financing.**
- 9C. Recommendation to adopt Resolution No. 38-2003, A Resolution Supporting County Resolution 2003-0139 proposing revision of the composition of the governing body of the Sacramento Transportation Authority.**
- 9D. Resolution No. 39-2003, A Resolution of the city Council of the City of Rancho Cordova endorsing policies to encourage investment in local telecommunications services in California, investment in local communities and increased employment opportunities.**
- 9E. Report on Weed and Seed Program (receive and file)**

It was requested Item 9D be removed from the consent calendar as more information is needed and no representatives were present to discuss this issue. Upon a motion by Council Member Sander, seconded by Council Member Budge, to remove Item 9D and approve the Consent Calendar. Motion carried.

AYES: Council Members: McGarvey, Cooley, Sander, Budge, Roberts
NOES: Council Members: None
ABSENT: Council Members: None
ABSTAIN: Council Members: None

OLD BUSINESS

10A. Report from TAB on the results of the voter registration drive.

Tab Berg of TAB reported on the results of the registration drive. They netted 1,744 new registered voters. Mr. Berg thanked various people for their hard work and requested the use of the logo and pictures of the City Council for the letter of welcome for new voters.

10B. Report and discussion on AB 1426 (Steinberg) which would require that at least five percent of all new permitted housing units be affordable to low income households and five percent be affordable to very low income households for at least 30 years.

Cody Tubbs, Intergovernmental Relations Officer for Elk Grove, gave a brief background and analysis of AB 1426. An analysis of the bill was also included in the Council packet. Rancho Cordova would be profoundly impacted by this bill with new housing being developed in the City. Concerns about the bill include: profound financial impact (\$65 million in Elk Grove alone); this is an unfunded mandate (costs will raise new home costs); it is a region only bill, not statewide. It was agreed the bill fosters regional dissension not cooperation. The City has a lot of affordable housing now but will not receive credit; the bill is for housing after 1/1/04 only. The Council agreed the City can do better on its own with affordable housing without state mandates.

Motion by Council Member McGarvey, seconded by Council Member Budge, to publicly oppose AB 1426. Motion carried.

AYES: Council Members: McGarvey, Cooley, Sander, Budge, Roberts
NOES: Council Members: None
ABSENT: Council Members: None
ABSTAIN: Council Members: None

10C. Report and discussion on AB 668 (Cox) relating to share of regional housing needs of a county.

Leslie McFadden of County Counsel, gave a brief background of AB668 and presented the County's position. The County has been told by SACOG that they are way out of balance on housing allocations with the incorporation of Rancho Cordova, and that they needed to use a

portion of the City's housing elements to bring their numbers under control. This is a SACOG planning period and needs to be done. The bill allows the City and County to reach a mutually acceptable revision of their respective regional housing needs allocations. It will revise numbers to not include City land and set up the process to negotiate. The bill has been put on hold pending results of negotiations.

Motion by Council Member McGarvey, seconded by Council Member Cooley, to remain neutral at this time on AB 668 and establish a committee consisting of Council Members Budge and McGarvey to negotiate with the County.

AYES: Council Members: McGarvey, Cooley, Sander, Budge, Roberts
NOES: Council Members: None
ABSENT: Council Members: None
ABSTAIN: Council Members: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

No items.

Mayor Roberts called a recess at 8:54 and reconvened the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

12A. Report on budget preparation process for fiscal year 2003-2004 and review revenues and cash flow projections

Mr. Cate presented the projected revenues and cash flow to the General Fund. The County is holding some funds but the city is not certain about the amount. TEA money needs to be researched also. The total revenues projected for the 2003-04 budget year are \$25,168.457. The budget will be further discussed at the August 4, 2003 council meeting.

12B. This item was moved to follow Public Comment.

12C. Review and discussion of draft ordinance establishing Design Review Process.

Paul Junker, Planning Director, presented and discussed the Draft Design Review Ordinance replacing Title 1, Chapter 10, Article 7, of the City of Rancho Cordova Zoning Code and Establishing a Design Review Process. The design review process enhances desirability and image and ensures quality of development. Its goals are to create a desirable environment and community for employers and residents. Staff is currently seeking direction from Council regarding the draft ordinance. Questions include what types of projects and size, who decides to approve or deny a project and are the draft guidelines appropriate for the City. Mr. Junker suggested the planning committee consist of 3 to 5 design professionals from the community. He suggested it could be beneficial to have the Council do the design review in the beginning to set the tone and standards and then transition to a committee. Suggestions from the Council included drop the reference to color, drop the discouragement to work with corporate

architecture, 15 day initial review (not 30), review concept of site review exemption. Mr. Junker will return in one month with a formal ordinance/guideline.

Public Comment: Brian Cooley of BIA stated they are looking forward to working with the City and staff to develop formal guidelines.

12D. Discussion on list of outside agencies and advisory groups that provide for appointment of a City representative and appointment of representatives as appropriate.

Mr. Haven presented an ongoing matrix of agencies and advisory groups. He will check on SACTO membership and report back.

12E. Discussion of City of Rancho Cordova Organization Chart.

The organization chart was accepted as presented.

12F. Status report on six month strategic goals and objectives.

Council Member Budge asked to be part of the analysis and applicability of the County zoning code as she has had a lot of experience with the code. A planning retreat has been schedule for September 26, 2003.

12G. Status report on contract negotiations with County of Sacramento for Engineering and Building Services contract.

The proposed contract with the County for engineering and building services is scheduled to go before the Board on August 19, 2003. The City's revision includes modifications to the insurance requirements. Mr. Cate will present the draft of the contract at the August 4, 2003 Council meeting.

COUNCIL REPORTS

- Council Member Sander reported Eppie's Great Race was a great success. Of all City teams, Rancho Cordova's team came in first place. Medallions were presented to Council Members McGarvey and Cooley, and Peter Budge. Council Member Roberts was not able to attend due to dental surgery. All agreed it was a great experience.
- Mayor Roberts expressed his desire to receive a draft agenda more in advance. He will work with Mr. Cate on this.
- Mayor Roberts noted he will be attending the LAFCo meeting on August 6, 2003, where they will be discussing increasing costs for new cities by \$300,000.
- Council Member Budge discussed the Blueprint workshop; Cal American Water report; Passage of TMA#1; SACOG (very valuable resource).
- Council Member McGarvey asked about the Elk Grove School District and the City; a letter is being drafted.

- Council Member McGarvey stated CORPAC has voted to keep the boundaries as they are. It was suggested a letter will be sent to the County requesting retention of CORPAC as part of the review process. The mechanics will be discussed with the County. CORPAC is an advisory body that sends their suggestions to the planning department/commission. his issue will be agendized for August 4 2003 Council meeting.
- Council Member Cooley has been working with insurance employers to encourage local home ownership; he also reported on the city tour and CalTrans signs.
- Council Member Budge requested the Planning Director and Engineering Director be included on the agenda to provide reports to the Council.

COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None at this time.

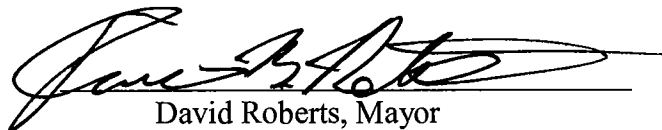
CITY MANAGER'S/CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Meyers reported on the economic development credits. This is a political issue and the City will need to negotiate with the county for recovery of credits.

Mr. Cate reported the office will need to hire another office assistant/deputy city clerk. The resume of Lisa Brown was presented.

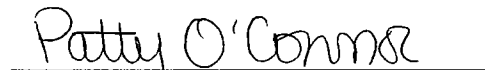
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.



David Roberts, Mayor

ATTEST:



Patty O'Connor, Secretary