



**CONCURRENT MEETING
CITY COUNCIL/COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA)/
RANCHO CORDOVA FINANCING CORPORATION (RCFC)**

**City Hall
2729 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova**

Monday, May 19, 2008

**12:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. – Budget Workshop
American River Community Room – North**

**5:30 P.M. – Regular Meeting
David B. Roberts Council Chambers**

MINUTES

A. BUDGET WORK SHOP – CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Mayor Budge called the special meeting to order in the American River North Community Room at 12:56 p.m.

Council Members Present: Cooley, McGarvey, Sander (arrived at 1:04 p.m.) and Mayor Budge

Absent: Skoglund

Staff Present: Gaebler, Chinn, Leitner, Pearl, Salerno, Snyder, Sanchez, Peterson, Behrends, Santini, Silva, Hadley, Haven, Trimberger, Abhar, Borre, Holt, Scott, Sparkman, Junker, Meeks, Chapman, Simpson

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

C. STUDY SESSION ITEM

Subject: Budget Workshop

Recommendation: Review and discuss Draft Budget.

Result of Recommended Action: Take comments from Council on draft budget.

Staff Report: Donna Silva, Finance Department and other staff

Advances Goals: 1, 4, 6 and 11

The following staff members made presentations:

- Donna Silva on the proposed Fiscal Year 2008/09 Budget
- Cyrus Abhar on the Five Year Capital Improvement Project Plan
- Nancy Pearl on the Strategic Communications Plan
- Curt Haven with Kerry Simpson on the Strong Neighborhood Program and Customer Satisfaction Survey and Code Enforcement
- Meeks on Zone Meetings

The Council requested the following:

- Website update to show the details of the road rehabilitation and road maintenance improvements and plans since Cityhood (Cooley with Council agreement)
- As part of Safe Routes to Schools, suggested placement of lighted crosswalks at Benita/Williamson Elementary, and at Vanguard and Pegasus (Budge)
- Seasonal and event street banners to be reviewed (Budge)
- Update of City Seal to add "2001" (McGarvey)
- Clarify calendar/fiscal year confusion over Community Outreach accounting - line item 57340 (Budge)
- Inform Council of date and time of Zone Meetings via the Friday Memo (Budge)
- How long to go through the whole City with the Rental Housing Inspection program? (Sander)
 - Increase funding for additional code enforcement position (1/2 year at return of code enforcement officer now serving in military)

ACTION: Discussion item only; no action taken.

D. ADJOURNMENT OF STUDY SESSION

Mayor Budge adjourned the special meeting at 5:15 p.m.

1. REGULAR MEETING – CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL – 5:30 P.M.

Mayor Budge called the regular meeting to order in the David B. Roberts Council Chambers at 5:45 p.m.

Council Members Present: Cooley (arrived at 5:55), McGarvey, Sander, and Mayor Budge

Absent: Skoglund

Staff Present: Gaebler, Abhar, Chapman, Sanchez, Leitner, Lehr, Kellerman, Oliver, Haven, Irvin, Flory, Salerno, Sparkman, Chinn, Meeks, Junker, Silva, and Santini

2. METRO CABLE TV TELEVISION ANNOUNCEMENT

The Mayor announced the meeting video recording and playback schedules.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Mayor called on Bob Morgan to lead the Pledge.

4. INVOCATION

Chaplain Mindi Russell, Rancho Cordova Law Enforcement, First Responders, gave the invocation.

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Deputy City Attorney Joe Chapman gave an overview of Propositions 98 and 99.

5.2 Mike Wiley from Sacramento Regional Transit gave an update of Transit Master Plan.

The following individuals addressed the Council:

- Mike Barnbaum, volunteer on Mobility Advisory Council, on Regional Transit Light Rail mobility.

Mayor Budge added the following Agenda Item 5.3:

5.3 Interim Assistant City Clerk Brenda Lehr introduced temporary employee Aimee Kellerman, assistant in the City Clerk's Department.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed the Council:

- Laura Greer in opposition to the addition of continuation high school services at the Walnutwood location because of the negative impacts to the preservation of public health and safety in the neighborhood.
- Michael Zecklin in opposition to the addition of continuation high school services at the Walnutwood location; requested Council to become mediators between the residents and the School Board.
- Sheryl Meyer in opposition to the addition of continuation high school services at the Walnutwood location.
- Art Niemoller in opposition to the addition of continuation high school services at the Walnutwood location.
- Dan Rife in opposition to the addition of continuation high school services at the Walnutwood location.
- Carol Good in opposition to the addition of continuation high school services at the Walnutwood location.
- Gordon Cambridge on changing the hearts and minds of juvenile delinquent students.
- Joy Moon on expressing opinion regarding Presidential candidates to the Secretary of State.
- Sue O'Connor in opposition to the addition of continuation high school services at the Walnutwood location.
- Bette King in opposition to the addition of continuation high school services at the Walnutwood location.
- Chris Johnson in opposition to the addition of continuation high school services at the Walnutwood location and regarding the house on 2538 Queenwood, which has been abandoned for 30 years.
- Sharon Turley in opposition to the addition of continuation high school services at the Walnutwood location and regarding Measure N.
- Bob Morgan in opposition to the addition of continuation high school services at the

Walnutwood location.

- Arlene Perkins public comment was read into the record by Interim City Clerk Stacy Leitner on the consideration of an urgency ordinance to reduce the ability of individuals driving scooters, wheelchairs or other mobility devices to carry children on laps while traveling on the streets.

7. COUNCIL REPORTS

None

8. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ROLL CALL VOTE

ACTION: Motion by McGarvey second by Sander to approve the Consent Calendar, except for Agenda Item 8.4, which was pulled for separate discussion. The motion was withdrawn.

ACTION: Motion by Sander second by Cooley to approve Items 8.1 and 8.5 of the Consent Calendar carried by a 4:0 voice vote (Skoglund absent).

8.1 **Subject:** Meeting Minutes:

1. Special and Regular Meeting Minutes of May 5, 2008.
2. Special Meeting Minutes of May 7, 2008.
3. Special Meeting Minutes of May 13, 2008.

Recommendation: Adopt Minutes.

8.5 **Subject:** Resolution to Join Nationwide Campaign to Support Rating Agency Reform and Eliminate Discrimination Against Municipal Bonds.

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 55-2008.

Result of Recommended Action: The League of California Cities is urging individual cities, as part of a nationwide campaign, to adopt a resolution and write letters to each of the three major rating agencies, calling for a reform of the way credit ratings are assigned to municipal bond issuers. Moody's Investors Services, Standard & Poors and Fitch Ratings have all come under scrutiny for their systems of assigning credit ratings for municipal borrowers. These ratings do not reflect the historically low default rates of municipal borrowers. By imposing unfairly higher standards on municipal bonds, compared to corporate bonds, this ultimately increases municipal borrower's costs. The letter urges the rating agencies establish a more fair rating scale, to treat all issuers equally, thereby better serving taxpayers and investors.

Staff Report: Donna Silva and Rebecca Santini, Finance Department

The following Consent Calendar item was individually considered:

8.2 **Subject:** Re-Introduction of Ordinance Establishing a Special Tax Area Zone 10 for Transit-Related Services for the Mather Office Campus, Building A Project Subject to Voter Confirmation.

Recommendation: Waive first reading and re-introduce Ordinance No. 7-2008. **(Roll Call Vote)**

Result of Recommended Action: Re-introduction of this resolution and ordinance will assist the City in meeting the costs of providing transit-related services by creating a special tax area zone and establishing a special tax for transit-related services for the Mather Office Complex, Building A.

Staff Report: Cyrus Abhar, Public Works Department

ACTION: Motion by Cooley second by McGarvey to approve Item 8.2. and waive first reading and re-introduce Ordinance No. 7-2008, carried by a 4:0 roll call vote (Skoglund absent).

The following Consent Calendar item was individually considered:

8.3 **Subject:** Ordinance Amending the Folsom Boulevard Specific Plan and the Zoning Code Relating to Cardrooms.

Recommendation: Waive second reading and adopt Ordinance 9-2008. (**Roll Call Vote**)

Result of Recommended Action: This ordinance will amend the Folsom Boulevard Specific Plan and the Zoning Code in order to change the appropriate zoning designations and parking standards for cardrooms and will have a city-wide effect on the location of cardrooms.

Staff Report: Joe Chapman, City Attorney's Office

ACTION: Motion by Sander second by McGarvey to table Item 8.3. until Vice Mayor Skoglund could be present, carried by a 3:0 voice vote (Cooley abstaining, Skoglund absent).

The following Consent Calendar item was individually considered:

8.4 **Subject:** Report Back on Development Impact Fee Deferral Program as Directed by Council at the May 5th Meeting.

Recommendation: Receive and file the report.

Result of Recommended Action: On May 5, 2008, the City Council adopted an Urgency Ordinance and Resolution authorizing the City Manager to create and implement a Fee Deferral Program for development impact fees. The Council directed the City Manager to begin implementing the program immediately, in order to provide assistance to Cambridge Homes, a local distressed homebuilder needing help in obtaining twelve building permits. Staff was also directed to finalize the program details and report back to Council at the May 19th meeting as an informational item.

Staff Report: Donna Silva and Rebecca Santini, Finance Department

Mayor Budget opened the public comment period. The following individual addressed the Council:

- Ardie Zahadani, representing the Building Industry Association (BIA), requested that the Council consider the comments of the BIA that this ordinance, because of the required interest payments on deferrals, is not as helpful to the building industry as other ordinances.

Mayor Budge closed the public comment period.

ACTION: Motion by Cooley second by McGarvey to receive and file Item 8.4., carried by a 3:0 voice vote (Sander abstaining, Skoglund absent).

AT THIS POINT in the meeting a recess was held. The time was 8:55 p.m. The full Council reconvened at 9:17 p.m.

9. CONSENT PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

- 9.1 **Subject:** 3581 Mather Field Road, Project No. RC-07-325, Design Review (3581 Mather Field Road).

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 54-2008.

Result of Recommended Action: Approval of this Design Review will allow a façade upgrade and 4,698 square foot addition for an existing 2,744 square foot commercial building, along with access, parking, and landscaping improvements to bring the site into compliance with City standards.

Staff Report: Katja Irvin, Planning Department

Mayor Budge opened the Consent Public Hearing Comment period. There were no speakers. Mayor Budge closed the Consent Public Hearing Comment period.

ACTION: Motion by Sander second by Cooley and carried by a 3:1 vote, (Mayor Budge dissenting, Council Member Skoglund absent), Council adopted Resolution No. 54-2008 and directed staff discretion on determining the feasibility of removing the existing chain link fence.

10. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

- 10.1 **Subject:** Urgency Ordinance Extending a Temporary Moratorium on the Establishment, Expansion, or Relocation of New and Existing Massage Establishments Pending the Review and Possible Amendment of Zoning Regulations Applicable to such Businesses, to become Effective Immediately.

Recommendation: Adopt Urgency Ordinance No. 15-2008. **(Roll Call and 4/5th Vote Required)**

Result of Recommended Action: Adoption of this Ordinance will extend the current massage establishment moratorium for a period of one year. The moratorium prohibits the establishment, expansion or relocating of new and existing massage establishments in Rancho Cordova pending the City's review and amendment of zoning regulations applicable to such businesses.

Staff Report: Adam Lindgren and Jose Sanchez, City Attorney's Office; Reuben Meeks, Police Department; Kerry Simpson, Neighborhood Services

Mayor Budge opened the Public Hearing Comment period. There were no speakers. Mayor Budge closed the Public Hearing Comment period.

ACTION: Motion by Cooley and second by McGarvey and carried by a 4:0 vote (Skoglund absent), Council adopted Urgency Ordinance No. 15-2008.

- 10.2 **Subject:** Draft Housing Element Endorsement

Recommendation: Staff recommends that Council endorse the Draft Housing Element of the City's General Plan for the 2006 to 2013 planning period and authorize the City Manager to review and approve changes as required by the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

Result of Recommended Action: Staff will finalize the Draft Housing Element and prepare it for submission to the State Department of Housing and Community Development for review. Staff will incorporate comment from HCD together with continuing local review/input and resubmit to HCD. Upon the State's approval, staff will return the final draft to Council for approval.

Staff Report: Reed Flory, Economic Development Department

Mayor Budge opened the Public Hearing Comment period. The following individuals addressed the Council:

- Dennis Rogers in opposition to this item.
- Ken Cross in support of this item.
- Sherry Lausbaugh in support of this item.
- Martha Lofgren saying that she had just received the current document being considered by the Council and requesting that staff be directed to place changes to the draft housing element on the City's Website as soon as changes are made.

ACTION: Consensus of the Council to have a discussion of mixed income housing policy on June 2.

11. REGULAR CALENDAR ITEMS

None

12. COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

13. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Public Works Department Update (Continued from May 5)

This item was continued.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Budge adjourned the meeting at 10:45 p.m.


Stacy Leitner, Interim City Clerk