

CITY OF ESCONDIDO
March 20, 2013
4:30 p.m. Meeting Minutes
Escondido City Council

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Escondido City Council, was called to order at 4:31 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2013 in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Abed presiding.

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

FLAG SALUTE

ATTENDANCE

The following members were present: Councilmember Ed Gallo, Councilmember John Masson, Councilmember Michael Morasco, and Mayor Sam Abed. Absent: Deputy Mayor Olga Diaz. Quorum present.

Also present were: Clay Phillips, City Manager; Jeffrey Epp, City Attorney; Barbara Redlitz, Community Development Director; Ed Domingue, Public Works Director; Diane Halverson, City Clerk; and Eva Heter, Assistant City Clerk.

PRESENTATION

Mayor Abed introduced Acting Police Chief Cory Moles who presented Badges to the new Police Captains Craig Carter and Michael Loarie.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chris Brown, San Diego Attorney, indicated the Escondido Country Club would be closing on April 1, 2013.

Frank Woolridge, Escondido, distributed information and requested Council form a committee to establish a safe ground for the homeless.

Scott Davis, Escondido, stated he asked for a flashing stop sign near his home.

Roy Garrett, Escondido, indicated he did not support the proposed loan to the Chamber of Commerce.

Tom Cowan, Escondido, suggested the Council meet with Mr. Woolridge to form a committee for the homeless.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS/BRIEFING

Councilmember Gallo voiced concern with maintenance at the Escondido Country Club after it closes. He noted the McDonalds and Spires Restaurants on East Valley Parkway were being rebuilt; he suggested a building at Valley and Beech Streets should be demolished; and he recommended the Vineyard Golf course to play golf.

Councilmember Morasco commented that he attended a meeting at the Escondido High School on gangs and gang activity awareness.

Councilmember Masson received information from the World Wildlife Fund that March 23, 2013 at 8:30 p.m. was earth hour. Everyone is encouraged to turn their lights off for one hour.

Mayor Abed indicated the City hosted a Healthy and Safe Walk to School event, and he also attended the gang prevention meeting at Escondido High School. He participated in Meals on Wheels providing meals to seniors.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Abed removed item 5 and Councilmember Gallo removed items 4 and 6 from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Morasco and seconded by Councilmember Masson that the following Consent Calendar items be approved with the exception of items 4, 5, and 6. Ayes: Abed, Gallo, Masson and Morasco. Noes: None. Absent: Diaz. Motion carried.

1. **AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING AND POSTING (Council/Successor Agency/RRB)**
2. **APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER (Council/Successor Agency)**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting of March 6, 2013**
4. **ESCONDIDO CHARITABLE FOUNDATION GRANT AUTHORIZATION** - Request Council authorize three applications to the Escondido Charitable Foundation for Safe, Vibrant and Healthy Communities Grants. These grants will provide up to \$35,000 each for projects that nurture a collective sense of safety, social cohesion, well-being and vitality in neighborhoods, families and individuals – imparting a stronger sense of community in Escondido. (File No. 0480-70)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Community Services: Amy Shipley**)

Councilmember Gallo asked why there were three applications and two projects.

Amy Shipley, Assistant Community Services Director, indicated there were only two projects.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to authorize two applications to the Escondido Charitable Foundation for Safe, Vibrant and Healthy Communities Grants. These grants will provide up to \$35,000 each for projects that nurture a collective sense of safety, social cohesion, well-being and vitality in neighborhoods, families and individuals – imparting a stronger sense of community in Escondido. Ayes: Abed, Gallo, Masson and Morasco. Noes: None. Absent: Diaz. Motion carried.

5. **SUMMARY STREET VACATION: PORTIONS OF SOUTH ORANGE STREET AND A PORTION OF THE ALLEY RUNNING PERPENDICULAR TO SOUTH ORANGE STREET AND CENTRE CITY PARKWAY** - Request Council authorize the summary street vacation of portions of South Orange Street and a portion of the alley running perpendicular to South Orange Street and Centre City Parkway. (Continued from March 13, 2013.) (File No. 0690-40)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Public Works/Engineering: Ed Domingue**)

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-32

ITEM 5 WAS NOT DISCUSSED

6. **CITY OF ESCONDIDO LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT - PRELIMINARY ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR ZONES 1 THROUGH 10 AND 12 THROUGH 37 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014** - Request Council approve initiating the proceedings for the annual levy of assessments for the City of Escondido Landscape Maintenance Assessment District (LMD) for Zones 1 through 10 and 12 through 37 for the 2013/2014 Fiscal Year; approve the preliminary Engineer's report for LMD Zones 1 through 10 and 12 through 37; and set a public hearing date of May 8, 2013 for LMD Zones 1 through 10 and 12 through 37. (File No. 0685-10)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Public Works/Engineering: Ed Domingue**)

- a. **RESOLUTION NO. 2013-18**
- b. **RESOLUTION NO. 2013-20**

Councilmember Gallo asked if Auto Park Way went all the way to Highway 78.

Barbara Redlitz, Community Development Director, indicated that the Council had approved changing part of Auto Park Way to Vineyard in the past.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Masson to approve initiating the proceedings for the annual levy of assessments for the City of Escondido Landscape Maintenance Assessment District (LMD) for Zones 1 through 10 and 12 through 37 for the 2013/2014 Fiscal Year; approve the preliminary Engineer's report for LMD Zones 1 through 10 and 12 through 37; and set a public hearing date of May 8, 2013 for LMD Zones 1 through 10 and 12 through 37 and adopt Resolution No. 2013-18 and Resolution No. 2013-20. Ayes: Abed, Gallo, Masson and Morasco. Noes: None. Absent: Diaz. Motion carried.

7. **CITY OF ESCONDIDO LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT - PRELIMINARY ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR ZONE 11 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014** -Request Council approve initiating the proceedings for the annual levy of assessments for the City of Escondido Landscape Maintenance Assessment District (LMD) for Zone 11 for the 2013/2014 Fiscal Year; approve the preliminary Engineer's Report for LMD Zone 11; and set a public hearing date of May 8, 2013 for LMD Zone 11. (File No. 0685-10)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (**Public Works/Engineering: Ed Domingue**)

- a. **RESOLUTION NO. 2013-17**
- b. **RESOLUTION NO. 2013-19**

CONSENT - RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES (COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/RRB)

The following Resolutions and Ordinances were heard and acted upon by the City Council/Successor Agency/RRB at a previous City Council/Successor Agency/Mobilehome Rent Review meeting. (The title of Ordinances listed on the Consent Calendar are deemed to have been read and further reading waived.)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 16 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING MOBILE FOOD FACILITIES (CASE NO. AZ 12-0007)** - Request Council approve amending Chapter 16 of the Municipal Code regarding Mobile Food Facilities to allow mobile food trucks throughout the City for special events subject to the issuance of a Special Event Permit by the City Manager's Office; and allow mobile food trucks at Breweries and Wineries in industrial and residential agricultural zones subject to issuance of an appropriate use permit by the Director of Community Development. (File No. 0680-10)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Community Development/Planning: Barbara Redlitz)

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-02 (Introduction and First Reading)

Jay Paul, Planning Department, gave the staff report and presented a series of slides.

Nate Wallace, Rancho Bernardo, indicated he had been in the mobile food business for 25 years and was available to answer any questions.

Juan Rojas, Vista, urged Council to treat both catering trucks and gourmet trucks the same.

Rebecca Lee, Food Truck Operator, asked for clarification on the business permit process.

COUNCIL ACTION: CONSENSUS TO ALLOW MOBILE FOOD TRUCKS THROUGHOUT THE CITY FOR SPECIAL EVENTS. ORDINANCE NO. 2013-02 WILL BE BROUGHT BACK FOR COUNCIL REVIEW AND RE-INTRODUCTION.

CURRENT BUSINESS

9. **2011 AND 2012 CITY COUNCIL ACTION PLAN - FINAL UPDATE** - Request Council receive and file the final status report of the two-year City Council Action Plan for 2011 and 2012. (File No. 0610-95)

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File (**City Manager's Office: Joyce Masterson**)

Joyce Masterson, Director of Economic Development & Community Relations gave the staff report.

COUNCIL ACTION: NO ACTION, INFORMATION ONLY

- 10. APPOINTMENTS TO THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, BUILDING ADVISORY AND APPEALS BOARD AND THE PERSONNEL BOARD OF REVIEW** - Request Council ratify the Mayor's recommendation to fill the following positions on the City's Boards and Commissions: Two regular appointments to serve on the Library Board of Trustees for a three-year term, terms to expire March 31, 2016; and one unscheduled vacancy on the Building Advisory & Appeals Board, term to expire March 31, 2014; and one unscheduled vacancy on the Personnel Board of Review, term to expire March 31, 2014. (File No. 0120-10)

Staff Recommendation: None (**City Clerk's Office: Diane Halverson**)

MOTION: Moved by Mayor Abed and seconded by Councilmember Masson to appoint Gary Knight and Virginia Loh-Hagan to the Library Board of Trustees. Ayes: Abed, Gallo, Masson and Morasco. Noes: None. Absent: Diaz. Motion carried.

MOTION: Moved by Mayor Abed and seconded by Councilmember Masson to appoint Alex Galenes to the Personnel Board of Review. Ayes: Abed, Masson and Morasco. Noes: Gallo. Absent: Diaz. Motion carried.

MOTION: Moved by Mayor Abed and seconded by Councilmember Morasco to appoint Mirek Gorny to the Building Advisory & Appeals Board. Ayes: Abed, Gallo, Masson and Morasco. Noes: None. Absent: Diaz. Motion carried.

WORKSHOP

None

FUTURE AGENDA

- 11. FUTURE AGENDA** - The purpose of this item is to identify issues presently known to staff or which members of the Council wish to place on an upcoming City Council agenda. Council comment on these future agenda items is limited by California Government Code Section 54954.2 to clarifying questions, brief announcements, or requests for factual information in connection with an item when it is discussed.

Staff Recommendation: None (**City Clerk's Office: Diane Halverson**)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Abed adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.


MAYOR


CITY CLERK


ASSISTANT CITY CLERK