

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA  
CONVENED THIS 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2010 7:30 P.M.  
AMEDEE O. "DICK" RICHARDS, JR., COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
1424 MISSION STREET**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Schneider convened the regular meeting of the City Council and the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) at 7:30 p.m. City Councilmembers/CRA Members present: Cacciotti (arriving at 7:32 p.m.), Putnam, and Sifuentes; Mayor Pro tem/CRA Vice Chair Ten; and Mayor/CRA Chair Schneider. Members absent: None. Other officials present: Assistant City Manager Gonzalez; City Attorney/CRA Counsel Adams; Police Chief Watson; Fire Chief Wallace; Finance Director Thai; City Librarian Fjeldsted; Public Works Director Sweeney; Planning and Building Director Watkins; Human Resources Manager Cody; and City Clerk Kilby.

Mayor Schneider announced that both Councilmember Putnam and City Manager Davidson are unable to attend the meeting. He said that Assistant City Manager Gonzalez is substituting tonight for the City Manager.

Mayor Schneider offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CLOSED SESSION  
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Schneider reported that there was no Closed Session.

**PRESENTATION OF A  
PROCLAMATION  
DECLARING APRIL AS  
"SEXUAL ASSAULT  
AWARENESS MONTH"  
AND APRIL 21, 2010, AS  
"DENIM DAY" IN THE  
CITY OF SOUTH  
PASADENA**

Mayor Schneider read from the City's proclamation declaring April as "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" and April 21, 2010, as "Denim Day" in the City of South Pasadena. He said that no one from the agency, Peace Over Violence, could be present to accept the proclamation and that it would be mailed.

**COUNCILMEMBERS'  
COMMENTS**

Councilmember Sifuentes reported on disaster preparedness and the upcoming meeting to vote for a representative to the Southern California Association of Governments.

Mayor Pro tem Ten acknowledged efforts of Public

Works on a hillside street improvement project in the Hanscom/Peterson area and thanked the Council for agreeing to complete a narrow section of the area now.

Councilmember Cacciotti asked that staff investigate installing light sensors so that lights in City Hall are not on when offices are closed. This was seconded by Councilmember Sifuentes.

Mayor Schneider announced the upcoming Spring Fling to benefit the Tournament of Roses Committee.

As requested by Mayor Schneider, Assistant City Manager Gonzalez updated the Council on the Rialto Theatre, stating that as of March 5, 2010, the facility is closed to the public and employees. He said the property owner and lease holder were notified. Mr. Gonzalez reported on a meeting with the California Public Utilities Commission on the feasibility of installing a traffic roundabout on Fremont Avenue where it intersects with the Gold Line light rail.

Mayor Schneider introduced externs from the University of Southern California School of Policy, Planning and Development. He said they spent their spring break working with City staff while gaining valuable exposure to local government. Mayor Schneider presented certificates of appreciation to externs Veronica Yniguez, Omar El Shal, and Wenting Wu. Extern Cherie Romar could not attend, he said, to accept the certificate.

**CITY MANAGER  
COMMUNICATIONS**

Assistant City Manager Gonzalez said that a page from the staff report on Item #7, CalPERS resolution, was inadvertently omitted from the packet. It was emailed to the Council, he said, and can also be found in the red folders tonight. He announced that road work will begin this month to reconfigure the Mission/Meridian intersection at the Gold Line train crossing. He said staff is working with the Chamber of Commerce, the Farmer's Market, and residents to ensure that the project progresses smoothly.

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM  
THE CONSENT  
CALENDAR FOR  
SEPARATE  
CONSIDERATION**

Councilmember Cacciotti requested that Item #6, warrants, be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 26, 2010 AND THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 3, 2010**

By roll call vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council approved the minutes of the special meeting of February 26, 2010, and the regular meeting of March 3, 2010.

(Cacciotti, Sifuentes)

**CALPERS RESOLUTION NO. 7100 FOR PRE-TAX PAYROLL DEDUCTION AND SERVICE CREDIT PURCHASE PLAN UNDER IRS CODE SECTION 414(H)(2)**

By roll call vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council approved Resolution No. 7100, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, ELECTING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EMPLOYER PICKUP RESOLUTION PRE-TAX PAYROLL DEDUCTION PLAN FOR SERVICE CREDIT PURCHASES (CONTRIBUTION CODE 14), approving a pre-tax payroll deduction and service credit purchase plan under IRS Code Section 414(h)(2).

(Cacciotti, Sifuentes)

**AWARD OF CONTRACT TO UNITED PAVING CO. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,485 FOR THE WARWICK PLACE STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

By roll call vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council accepted a bid dated February 18, 2010 from United Paving Company for the construction of the Warwick Place Street Improvement Project; rejected all other bids received; and authorized the City Manager to enter into a contract with United Paving Company for a not-to-exceed amount of \$83,485 for construction services.

(Cacciotti, Sifuentes)

**AWARD OF CONTRACT TO UNITED PAVING CO. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,493 FOR THE HIGHLAND STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

By roll call vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council accepted a bid dated March 4, 2010 from United Paving Company for the construction of the Highland Street Improvement Project; rejected all other bids received; and authorized the City Manager to enter into a contract with United Paving Company for a not-to-exceed amount of \$96,493 for construction services.

(Cacciotti, Sifuentes)

**REQUEST FROM THE SOUTH PASADENA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR CITY TO CO-SPONSOR AND**

By roll call vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council approved co-sponsoring the Eclectic Music Festival & Art Walk event on May 1, 2010, organized by the South Pasadena Chamber of Commerce and waived associated City fees in the

**WAIVE THE  
ASSOCIATED CITY FEES  
FOR THE ECLECTIC  
MUSIC FESTIVAL & ART  
WALK EVENT ON  
SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2010**

amount of \$505.

(Cacciotti, Sifuentes)

**APPROVAL OF PREPAID  
WARRANTS IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$716,711.55,  
GENERAL CITY  
WARRANTS IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$643,261.83  
AND PAYROLL IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$416,048.61**

Councilmember Cacciotti pointed out that invoices from Southern California Edison total more than \$48,000 on this warrant run. This serves as a reminder of the importance of conserving electricity, he said.

By roll call vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council approved the Prepaid Warrants #161929-161976; General City Warrants #161977-162165, and payroll 03-05-10 for a total of \$1,776,021.99. Sitting as the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board, they approved the CRA Warrants for \$5,943.42 (included in above total).

(Cacciotti, Ten)

**PUBLIC COMMENT  
Tree removals at 2100  
Hanscom Drive**

Susan Shapiro, 2106 Hanscom Drive, raised the issue of tree removals at a construction site at 2100 Hanscom Drive. She said the developer does not have permits to remove the trees. She read from the Municipal Code and from environmental quality documents. She raised other issues about the development permit. She requested that the City save the trees by ensuring that City staff members enforce the Municipal Code.

Mayor Schneider asked that the City Attorney make sure that this is handled properly through enforcement. City Attorney Adams responded that he has been working on this with staff for quite some time.

**PUBLIC HEARING  
GENERAL PLAN  
AMENDMENT: 2006-2014  
HOUSING ELEMENT  
UPDATE**

Councilmember Cacciotti noted that Councilmember Putnam has requested that this item be continued to a future meeting so that he can be part of the discussion.

Planning and Building Director Watkins came to the podium and said he will defer his presentation until that time.

Mayor Schneider opened the public hearing. City Clerk Kilby said no one had submitted a speaker card for this item.

By voice vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council postponed the public hearing on the General Plan Amendment: 2006-2014 Housing Element Update to a date certain: the regular City Council meeting of April 21, 2010.

(Ten, Cacciotti)

**RESOLUTION NO. 7101  
INITIATING THE  
PROCEEDINGS AND  
ORDERING THE  
PREPARATION OF THE  
ENGINEER'S REPORT  
FOR FY 2010-11  
LIGHTING AND  
LANDSCAPING  
MAINTENANCE  
DISTRICT**

Public Works Director Sweeney presented the staff report on the Lighting and Landscaping Maintenance District for FY 2010-11.

Mayor Schneider opened the public comment period. No one came forward and he closed the public comment period.

By roll call vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council adopted Resolution No. 7101, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE 2010-2011 LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR CERTAIN MAINTENANCE IN AN EXISTING DISTRICT AND ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF A REPORT PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF DIVISION 15, PART 2, OF THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA; ordered the preparation of the Engineer's Report for the annual levy and collection of assessments; and authorized the City Manager to sign the proposal to authorize Community Economic Solutions to proceed with assessment engineering services.

(Cacciotti, Sifuentes)

**FIRST READING AND  
INTRODUCTION OF AN  
ORDINANCE AMENDING  
SECTION 19A.12.3  
(POWER YARD  
MAINTENANCE  
EQUIPMENT -  
PERMITTED HOURS OF  
OPERATION) AND  
19A.12.5 (POWER YARD  
MAINTENANCE EQUIP-  
MENT - VIOLATIONS**

Police Chief Watson presented the staff report on the proposed ordinance on power yard maintenance equipment hours of operation and penalties for violations. He responded to questions about violations.

Mayor Schneider opened the public comment period. No one came forward and he closed the public comment period.

By roll call vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council introduced for first reading by title, waiving further reading, AN ORDINANCE OF

**AND PENALTY) OF  
CHAPTER 19A (NOISE  
REGULATIONS) AND  
SECTION 1.7 A (SAME –  
INFRACTIONS) OF  
CHAPTER 1 (GENERAL  
PROVISIONS) OF THE  
SOUTH PASADENA  
MUNICIPAL CODE  
RELATING TO PERMIT-  
TED HOURS OF OPERA-  
TION OF POWER YARD  
MAINTENANCE EQUIP-  
MENT AND PENALTIES  
FOR VIOLATIONS OF  
THIS ORDINANCE**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 19A.12.3 (POWER YARD MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT – PERMITTED HOURS OF OPERATION) AND 19A.12.5 (POWER YARD MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT – VIOLATIONS AND PENALTY) OF CHAPTER 19A (NOISE REGULATION) AND SECTION 1.7A (SAME – INFRACTIONS) OF THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO PERMITTED HOURS OF OPERATION OF POWER YARD MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION.

(Cacciotti, Sifuentes)

**CONSIDERATION TO  
VACATE 0.02 ACRES OF  
LAND ADJACENT TO 805  
STRATFORD AVENUE**

Public Works Director Sweeney presented the staff report on the issue of approving a request from a resident at 805 Stratford Avenue to acquire approximately 0.02 acres in size adjacent to the resident's property. He displayed an aerial map and a diagram on the overhead projector. He responded to questions.

Mayor Schneider opened the public comment period.

Jim Fenske, architect for the property owner, made a brief presentation. Kathy Pierson, property owner, 805 Stratford Avenue, added to the presentation. Mr. Fenske responded to questions.

Mayor Schneider closed the public comment period.

By roll call vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council determined that it is agreeable to entertaining a request from the resident at 805 Stratford Avenue to acquire a piece a land approximately 0.02 acres in size adjacent to the owner's property.

(Ten, Cacciotti)

**RECOMMENDATION TO  
EXTEND CONTRACT  
FOR UP TO FIVE YEARS  
WITH LANCE, SOLL &  
LUNGHARD FOR  
AUDITING SERVICES**

Finance Director Thai presented the staff report on the recommendation to extend the contract for up to five years with Lance, Soll & Lunghard for auditing services. He said the Finance Committee recommends renewal. He responded to questions.

Mayor Schneider opened the public comment period. No one came forward and he closed the public comment period.

By roll call vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council approved the contract extension for auditing services with Lance, Soll & Lunghard for up to five years.

(Cacciotti, Ten)

**MONTHLY INVESTMENT  
REPORTS FOR JANUARY  
2010**

Finance Director Thai presented the staff report on the City and Community Redevelopment Agency investment reports for January 2010. He and Assistant City Manager Gonzalez responded to questions.


Mayor Schneider opened the public comment period. No one came forward and he closed the public comment period.


By roll call vote (4 ayes; 1 absent, Councilmember Putnam), the City Council approved to receive and file the City monthly investment reports for January 2010. Sitting as the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), they approved to receive and file the CRA monthly investment reports for January 2010.

(Ten, Cacciotti)

**ADJOURNMENT**

By consensus, City Council adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

  
Sally Kilby  
City Clerk  
CRA Secretary

  
Richard D. Schneider, M.D.  
Mayor  
Chair, CRA