

MINUTES
OF THE
SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
SACRAMENTO CITY FINANCING AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 29, 2002

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Sacramento City Council was called to order by Mayor Fargo at 7:10 p.m. on the above date in the City Council Chamber located at 915 I Street.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Cohn, Hammond, Jones, Pannell, Sheedy, Tretheway, Water, Yee and Mayor Fargo

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Fargo

10.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

10.1 Presentation to the Mayor & Council from the Sacramento Art Deco Society

The Sacramento Art Deco Society presented an award to the Council in appreciation for their renovation of the art deco building in the park at 27th and Q streets.

11.0 CLOSED SESSION REPORT

None

12.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 12.1 Amendments to the North Natomas Community Plan and City Code related to the Employment Center (EC) Designation and Zone (M01-054). (continued from 9/19/01 [staff]; 10/16/01, item 12.1 [staff], 11/20/01, item 12.1 [staff]) (PFP'd 12/4/01, item 2.8) (continued from 12/11/01, item 12.1 [staff]; 12/18/01, item 12.1 [staff]; 1/10/02, item 12.1 [Council]; 1/22/02, item 12.1 [Council]) (D-1)
- A. Amendment to the North Natomas Community Plan related to the Employment Center (EC) Land Use Designation;
 - B. Ordinance amending Section 17.24.050, Chapter 17.24, Section 17.56.030, Chapter 17.56, and Table 17.24.030B of Section 17.24.030 Title 17 of the City Code related to the Employment Center Zone.

David Mohlenbrok, North Natomas Senior Planner, stated that this issue was continued by Council from January 22, 2002 in order to allow for potential additional testimony.

Council Member Tretheway spoke briefly about the amendment. He said the Employment Center (EC) land use designation would provide a flexible zone for primarily employment-generating uses in a pedestrian-friendly setting with ample private and and/or public open space. It would also provide the opportunity for a variety and mix of supporting uses, including retail and residential.

Mr. Tretheway thanked staff and the community for their work on this issue and requested the City Manager to review the City's template for development.

A motion was made by Council Member Tretheway, seconded by Council Member Hammond to close the hearing and to adopt Resolution 2002-047 and Ordinance 2002-001. The motion carried with a 9-0 roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2002-047

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE NORTH
NATOMAS COMMUNITY PLAN RELATED TO
THE EMPLOYMENT CENTER (EC) LAND USE
DESIGNATION (M01-054)

ORDINANCE 2002-001

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION
17.24.050, CHAPTER 17.24, SECTION
17.56.030, CHAPTER 17.56, AND TABLE
17.24.030B OF SECTION 17.24.030
TITLE 17 OF THE CITY CODE RELATED TO
THE EMPLOYMENT CENTER ZONE

13.0 STAFF REPORTS

- 13.1 Predatory Lending. (PFP'd 1/22,02, item 2.19) (D-All)
- A. Ordinance adding Chapter 3.148 to Title 3 of the Sacramento City Code, which establishes City Policy regarding Predators Lending and gives the City Treasurer discretion to decline to do City business with lending institutions who engage in predatory practices;
 - B. Approve the proposed work plan for establishing the City's Predatory Lending Consumer Education Program.
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A motion was made by Council Member Hammond, seconded by Council Member Pannell to continue this item to March 26, 2002. The motion carried with a 9-0 vote.

- 13.2 Park Planning, Design and Development Projects - Status Report and Funding Need through Fall 2004. (D-All)
- A. Approval of the scope descriptions of park-related capital improvements projects;
 - B. Direct staff to return with recommended funding sources to fully fund park projects using dedicated park funds, funding for community centers; and wading pools and spray features.
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Richard Ramirez, Deputy City Manager, stated that the department of Parks and Recreation staff had identified 23 current priority projects or phases within an approved Capital Improvement Project Budget to be completed in four to six months, weather permitting. Each project was reviewed with the associated project manager to determine a project scope description, current funding source, original estimated project cost, revised project cost and the overage/shortfall for each project. These priority projects were outlined on Exhibit A of the report. Of the 23 projects, four involved acquisition/advance planning, three were master plan projects

and 16 were development projects.

According to Mr. Ramirez, about half of the priority projects were currently underfunded by an estimated \$831,000. This was due to increased project scope, escalated construction costs, and/or cost increases due to the delay in completing the projects over time. Five of the 23 CIP projects will close by June 2002, and 18 have additional phases within the CIP's project scope description. These additional phases were a part of the department's work plan for June 2002 to Fall 2004.

Mr. Ramirez said that staff would be applying for grants for any under-funded projects.

Bob Thomas, City Manager, explained the difference between the projects covered in this staff report, item 13.2, and the projects identified in the Parks Programming Guide report, item 13.4 of the agenda. He clarified that the projects in this report were currently in progress and funded through 2004.

Each of the Council members referred to projects in their districts and questioned the placement of them in the current CIP budget and, in some cases, clarified that the project was listed incorrectly or in duplicate.

Mayor Fargo stated that if the City is successful in its grant applications, or receives funding from Propositions 12 or 40, the Council can amend the current CIP budget and bring forward unfunded projects from the Park Programming Guide.

Mr. Thomas added that the Council would prioritize, on a yearly basis, the projects that were both under-funded and de-funded.

Public Testimony:

Jonathan Hendricks stated that funding for Shore Bird Park had already been collected from development fees, yet the project was very low on the project list. He said he and his neighbors would like to have the park built, while their children were young.

Mayor Fargo stated that she believed that the monies collected from the development fees were just enough to acquire the park land, but not enough to develop the park.

Council Member Tretheway asked what the time table was for this park. Mr. Ramirez replied staff would report back in two weeks.

Marc Brandes requested Council to change the name of the Sutter Landing Park.

Doug Austin, from the Dixieanne Neighborhood Association, stated that he and his neighbors strongly supported the Dixieanne Tot Lot project.

Angela Torrens asked for assistance from the City in cleaning up the North Laguna Park from graffiti, trash and vandalism.

Council Member Pannell requested a report back on why some of the projects in her district had a decrease in funding.

A motion was made by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Hammond to approve the scope descriptions of park-related capital improvement projects and directing staff to return with recommended funding sources to fully fund park projects using dedicated park funds. The motion carried with a 9-0 roll call vote.

13.3 Services and Structure of the Department of Parks and Recreation's Park Planning, Design and Development Division.

Bob Overstreet, a consultant to the Parks and Recreation Department, presented the report which reviewed the proposed changes in the department in order to improve systems and services to better coordinate and expedite project delivery. In addition, he informed the Council that a decision was made to establish a rotating list of landscape architect consulting firms to out-source as many projects as possible in order to assist the Park Planning, Design and Development Division of the department.

According to Mr. Overstreet, five firms have been under contract since the Spring of 2001, and 31 projects have been assigned to the consultants, covering 35 parks. In addition to the firms, there are three private sector landscape architecture companies that are working with developers to prepare park master plans and construction drawings for turn-key parks. Out-sourcing still requires oversight and extensive review of plans, construction documents, and inspection standards by city staff, however, to ensure the end product meets City standards.

Mr. Overstreet said that the City's team was projecting the completion of 90 park-related advance planning, master planning, and/or design and development projects by Fall 2004.

This information was received and filed.

13.4 2002 Draft Park Programming Guide. (D-All)

Janet Baker, Sr. Administrative Services Officer, stated that staff was requesting Council's approval of the Parks Programming Guide. She thanked everyone who worked so diligently on the Guide, including staff, Council and the community.

Ms. Baker said that the Parks Programming Guide (PPG) had at its core three primary steps: (1) Council revision of the PPG lists; (2) staff review and scoring of the project lists; and (3) public comment on the PPG list.

According to Ms. Baker, monies received from grants; Proposition 12 or Proposition 40 could cause a project to move up the list in priority. She said that once the Council adopts the PPG, staff will use the document to guide project selection for various funding opportunities. Projects will be recommended based primarily upon a philosophy of improving access/use of existing facilities or providing access to parks and recreation facilities where none currently exist.

Therefore, projects will be selected based upon: (1) a various lack of facilities; (2) distance from nearest facility; (3) the fact that the current status of a facility prevents reasonable use; and (4) a balanced approach geographically and with regard to facilities. In December, 2002, staff will evaluate the PPG to determine whether the process should be repeated or a simple update is required.

Mayor Fargo thanked staff for the updated guide. She said the criteria was fine-tuned and the projects represented more of what the community wanted.

Council Member Cohn questioned whether a new list would be adopted each January; Ms. Baker responded yes, with updates along the way.

Council Member Cohn asked about funding for regional parks.

Bob Thomas, City Manager, replied that regional parks were the only parks that did not have a dedicated funding source. He suggested that perhaps a portion of money received from Propositions 12 and 40 could be earmarked for regional parks.

Council Member Jones recommended that staff discuss the scoring criteria for an "economically disadvantaged" area.

Council Member Cohn said that Ben Ali, Hagginwood, and North Del Paso Heights parks should be considered disadvantaged.

Mr. Thomas replied that the purpose of the workshop was to discuss any amendments Council might have for the guide. That way it will be a better document.

Mayor Fargo stated that she favored a separate listing for regional parks.

Council Member Pannell asked about the reduced priority for the North Laguna Creek Wildlife Trail, and spoke about the need for another community center in the south area.

Council Member Tretheway suggested a separate criteria for new growth areas and in-fill areas, and made some minor corrections to the naming of a park and a physical description.

Council Member Waters spoke about the need for a community center in the Laguna area.

Council Member Pannell inquired if staff would be showing the deficiencies in each of the districts; Mr. Ramirez replied that could be accommodated.

Council Member Jones recommended that staff continue to think about joint use opportunities with other entities, such as schools.

Helene Barrett, from the Sierra Curtis Neighborhood Association, spoke about the need for a senior center in that area, as the Sierra 2 project was assisting 50-100 senior residents each day.

A motion was made by Council Member Hammond, seconded by Council Member Tretheway to adopt the 2002 Park Programming Guide, as amended. The motion carried with a 9-0 roll call vote, with Council Member Sheedy abstaining on any project in the Grant Union School District.

14.0 SHRA

None

15.0 COUNCIL IDEAS AND QUESTIONS

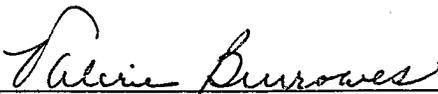
16.0 CITIZENS ADDRESSING COUNCIL AGENCY OR AUTHORITIES BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

17.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

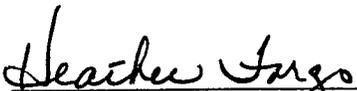
None

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m. in memory of Reverend Linda Marie Cunningham Sanders.

Submitted


Valerie A. Burrowes, City Clerk

Approved


Heather Fargo, Mayor