

# COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Concurrent Special Committee Meetings of the Sacramento City Council, Redevelopment Agency of the City of Sacramento, Housing Authority of the City of Sacramento and the Parking Authority of the City of Sacramento.

COMMITTEE NAME: LAW AND LEGISLATION

MEETING DATE: JUNE 20, 1991

MEETING TIME: 3:00 P.M.

LOCATION: 915 I STREET, 2ND FLOOR, COUNCIL CHAMBER

I HEREBY CALL Special Meetings of the Sacramento City Council, Redevelopment Agency of the City of Sacramento, Housing Authority of the City of Sacramento, and Parking Authority of the City of Sacramento to be conducted concurrently with the Council committee meetings listed below, which are incorporated herein by reference. The Special Meetings are called to permit Members who are not on the listed committees to attend the meetings and participate in the discussions. In the event five (5) or more members of the City Council are present at a Committee meeting, only those items listed on the agenda can be acted on or discussed.

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m. by Chair Lynn Robie.

PRESENT: Committeemembers Robie, Chinn, Pane,\* and Serna.\*

\*Committeemembers Pane and Serna arrived at 3:15 p.m.

Chair Robie explained that Item 5 relating to the sale of tobacco products from vending machines has been continued until next month because several vending machine owners who wish to be present at this hearing are attending a vending machine owners conference out of town. Chair Robie said these owners have been asked to send their suggestions, changes, and comments regarding the proposed ordinance to Deputy City Attorney Diane Balter prior to next month's meeting.

Regarding the legislative update from Ken Emanuels, the City's Legislative Advocate, Chair Robie stated that since Mr. Emanuels was present at this week's budget hearings it was agreed he may not show up at this Committee meeting unless there have been some important changes.

2. **AB 1423 (Gotch) relating to post-consumer content in glass, steel, and aluminum containers.**

Recommendation of Staff: Recommend support.

Committee Action: Supported.

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Committee Action: Supported and forwarded to Council.

Voting Record: Moved: Chinn  
Seconded: Pane  
Ayes: Chinn, Pane, Serna, Robie

#### MINUTES:

Tim Sullivan, the City's Building Inspections Manager, passed out an additional staff report regarding this item (copy attached). He explained to the Committee that this ordinance was the result of a joint effort between the Building Inspections Division and the Fire Department, and has taken over two years to draft. Mr. Sullivan explained the work involved in getting this ordinance to Committee, and discussed some of the more controversial issues (e.g., mandatory helistop on top of buildings).

Jack Shepler, the City Fire Marshal, said that the Fire Department has worked several years on this ordinance. He explained some of the Fire Department highlights, including better equipment (best in the nation), ability to avoid having to carry up heavy equipment, etc.

Committeemember Chinn commended the Building Inspections Division and Fire Department for working so well with the developers in the City to draft this ordinance. Chinn moved to support the ordinance relating to Fire Code and Building Code requirements for highrise buildings, Pane seconded the motion, and it was unanimously supported and will be forwarded to Council with this recommendation.

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### 1. Legislative Update from Ken Emanuels, the City's Legislative Advocate.

Recommendation of Staff: File

#### MINUTES:

Ken Emanuels, the City's Legislative Advocate, arrived and explained the status of the State budget. He said that there are about a dozen bills attached to the budget bill, and that the budget should be settled in the next ten days or so. He said that there is a bill in draft form which would freeze salary levels in all levels of government, but that this would probably not affect Sacramento, which is a charter

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city. He went on to say that this would be the heaviest lobbied bill, as there are some 500,000 non-State workers who would be affected.

Regarding RT funding, Mr. Emanuels explained that this has been worked out satisfactorily.

The water meter measure is still unchanged.

The Yolo Port Authority measure is still not settled; there is continuing controversy regarding the number of members to sit on the board from each city. Walt Slipe, City Manager, spoke at this time to say that he has had a meeting with the Mayor and others to discuss this. Ila Collin of the County Board of Supervisors suggested seven members, with one coming from West Sacramento and one from the City/County. He concluded by saying that this issue is not the City's highest priority at this time.

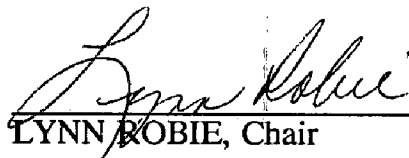
City Manager Slipe also discussed the State budget problems and how they could affect the non-represented, exempt employees of the City. He said the City has approximately 400 unrepresented members, and should the legislation pass, he wants it known that the City will give the unrepresented employees what the other employees of the City will be getting.

Ken Emanuels said that the issue of a repeal of booking fees is on the Senate floor, but that the prospects of passing are not too great at this time.

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The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

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LYNN ROBIE, Chair

ATTEST:

  
JUDY SANDERS, Secretary



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June 20, 1991

Law and Legislation Committee  
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

**Subject: Proposed High-Rise Regulations**

**SUMMARY:**

The Planning and Development Department is recommending adoption of an ordinance which amends City Codes, Chapter 9 by adding article XXVII to enhance fire protection and life safety in high-rise buildings. This report supplements the report submitted by the Fire Department.

**BACKGROUND:**

The additional building code requirements proposed by this ordinance must be incorporated into the building as it is constructed. Chapter 9 of the City Code contain the majority of the building regulations. The Design and Construction Community expect to find all construction regulations within Chapter 9. For this reason it is recommended that these regulations be placed in Chapter 9 as well as Chapter 15.

Major requirements added to current High-Rise Regulations are as follows:

**SECTION 9.1203**

Helistop or an alternative of an additional stairway or a freight elevator with fire protective amenities.

This requirement will assist in rescue and delivery of fire suppression equipment.

**SECTION 9.1205**

Fire Department equipment storage rooms on every fifth floor.

The equipment placed with the building will reduce the task of physically carrying equipment up into the building.

**SECTION 9.1209**

Fire Department piped air system.

Fire fighters will be able to fill their portable air bottles within the equipment storage rooms. This will eliminate traveling down to grade level to fill their air bottles.

**SECTION 9.1214**

Additional Fire Department standpipe connection.

Provides for the capability of pumping more water into the building and at two remote locations.

**SECTION 9.1215 TO 9.1228**

Enhanced additional fire and smoke alarm systems.

These sections provide additional alarm devices and clarify existing code requirements to correct inadequate existing code provisions.

**SECTION 9.1228 TO 9.1246**

Provides specific size and interior layout requirements for the fire control room.

Specific guidelines are provided to enable the architect to design a control room the Fire Department can utilize efficiently during an emergency.

**SECTION 9.1247 TO 9.1252**

Smoke removal.

These sections encourage the use of mechanical exhaust system to remove smoke from the building. Specific guidelines are provided to guide the mechanical engineer in the design of smoke removal methods.

**SECTION 9.1266 TO 9.1270**

Installation requirements for emergency generators.

Specific design requirements are placed in the code such as:

- (a) Limiting the generator to the basement, first floor and parking garage.
- (b) Fire protecting the generator with 2 hour walls.
- (c) Eight hours of fuel supply

**SECTION 9.1273**

Fire pump

A second fire pump will be required.

**FINANCIAL DATA:**

See Fire Department data.

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:**

Adopting of this ordinance will enhance the safety of high-rise building occupants and allow for more effective fire suppression. The ordinance will assist designers of high-rise buildings by providing specific requirements while also allowing alternative and professional judgement.


**MBE/WBE CONSIDERATIONS:**

Not Applicable.

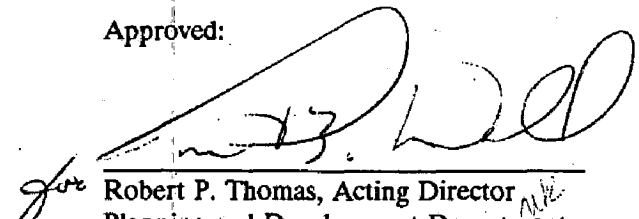
**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

It is recommended that the Law and Legislation Committee receive testimony on the proposed City Ordinance and recommend adoption of the attached Ordinance to amend Chapter 15 and Article XXVII of Chapter 9.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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D. T. Sullivan, Manager  
Building Inspections Division

Approved:

  
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Planning and Development Department

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