

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: August 16, 1994

MEETING TIME: 1:00 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.

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. by Chair Deborah Ortiz.

PRESENT: Committeemembers Ortiz, Kastanis, Steinberg, and Pane*

*Committeemember Pane arrived at 1:10 p.m., left at 1:14 p.m., and returned at 1:40 p.m.

1.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

ALL ITEMS LISTED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE CONSIDERED AND ACTED UPON BY ONE MOTION. A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE OR STAFF MAY REQUEST AN ITEM TO BE REMOVED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION.

1.1 **Update on Housing Element Reform Bills; dropped by authors: AB 51 and SB 1839.**

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF: Information only.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Conceptual support; staff analysis to be heard 8/30/94.

Chair Ortiz requested that this item be pulled off the consent calendar and discussed.

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Patricia Mendoza from the Department of Planning and Development presented this item. She explained that the bills have been dropped, and the authors are in the process of putting together a merged bill incorporating the best of both bills; therefore, there is no longer an AB 51. She further explained that staff is asking for support, in concept, of the two bills.

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1.1 ITEM CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE.

Dianne Guzman, Planning Director, passed out AB 51 amended August 8, 1994, which staff feels best reflects the interests of the City.

Marc Brown, a supporter of the old AB 51, spoke on behalf of the Sacramento Housing Alliance. He said that in negotiations with cities, counties, planners, and others over the past six months, the conclusion last Monday was that there is not sufficient time to conclude these negotiations due to a number of outstanding issues. The next meeting of this group is set for September 7th. He said that AB 51 is supported by the realtors, CLRA, and the Wilson administration, that it dramatically streamlines the law, and creates a realistic performance standard. There was considerable discussion. He went on to say that the feeling is that SB 1839 would unfairly burden cities like Sacramento and take the pressure off cities like Galt regarding low-income housing. He said they are specifically asking for the City's support on the August 8 version of AB 51 and oppose SB 1839, and that the City of Los Angeles took this same position last week. It was pointed out that the staff request is to support the concepts embodied in AB 51 as amended August 8, as AB 51 itself no longer exists. Ms. Guzman said that since staff just received the latest version of AB 51, they have not had time to review it. Kastanis expressed his concern about voting on concept alone on a bill or potential bill that hasn't even been analyzed. Deputy City Attorney Diane Balter told the Committee that it is appropriate to vote on the concept as presented on a particular date, and to support the principles or concept of a bill. Steinberg said this recommendation would leave open the Committee's point of view as to the specific measurements that might end up in a future bill.

Ortiz asked Planning staff whether this bill could be analyzed in a week. Marc Brown said he would like to go back to negotiations meetings and say the City of Los Angeles and the City of Sacramento support the concepts in AB 51. The negotiations are attended by the California Realtors, the Wilson administration and CRLA. Dianne Guzman suggested another meeting on August 30 for staff to present its analysis.

Steinberg moved to support the concepts in the August 8 version of AB 51 and have staff come back on August 30 to present its analysis of these concepts. Ortiz seconded the motion, and it was unanimously supported.

2.0 STAFF REPORTS

2.1 Update on Pending Legislation.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF: Information only.

MINUTES:

Mike Coleman, Senior Management Analyst for the City, informed the Committee that there is nothing to report today.

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2.2 Citizen Use of Reports Prepared at Public Expense.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF: Review and make recommendation.
COMMITTEE ACTION: Supported and forwarded to Council.
VOTING RECORD: Moved: Kastanis
Seconded: Steinberg
Ayes: Kastanis, Steinberg, Pane, Ortiz

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Diane Balter, Deputy City Attorney, presented this item to the Committee at the request of Terry Kastanis. She explained that the purpose of this request is to encourage people to make more use of the information contained in reports prepared at public expense. She said that is not clear on the face of these reports that the information may be copied for non-commercial use, so a notice would be stamped on the front of the reports informing people that the information may be used. Kastanis also explained how this proposal came about, and how it could encourage public use. After some discussion, it was agreed that the notice should be on the front of the document in order to be seen readily by interested persons.

Kastanis moved to support the staff report and forward this to full Council. Steinberg seconded the motion, and support was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

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DEBORAH ORTIZ, Chair

ATTEST:


JUDY SANDERS, Secretary