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Thursday, July 16, 1987

City Council Chambers
915 I Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, California

The meeting was called to order at the hour of 4:05 p.m. by Councilman Terry Kastanis, Chairman of the Law and Legislation Committee.

PRESENT: Committee Members Kastanis, Bradley, Robie.

ABSENT: Committee Members Pope and Shore.*

*Committee Member Shore arrived at 4:20 p.m.

1. Consideration of AB 1751 (Leslie) relating to flood control.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF: PLACE ON THE WATCH LIST.

COMMITTEE ACTION: AGREED TO FOLLOW PROGRESS OF BILL. BILL TO BE PRESENTED AGAIN BEFORE THE COMMITTEES AT THE SAME TIME THE GARAMENDI BILL IS HEARD.

MINUTES:

Mel Johnson, Director of Public Works, was present to discuss this bill. He explained that SB 1604 (Garamendi) was previously considered by these committees, and that AB 1751 (Leslie) was being brought to the Committees today for consideration also.

Mr. Johnson said that staff has met with Assemblyman Tim Leslie regarding amending his bill to include a member of the City Council on the District's Board of Directors. There was considerable discussion regarding the benefits of having a Council member

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as opposed to a staff member on the Committee, as it was felt staff would be more knowledgeable, due to the extremely complicated and technical nature of this issue, than would members of the City Council. Lynn Robie expressed her feeling that staff should be on the decision-making end of this matter, as she feels that continuity would be best provided by staff.

Assemblyman Tim Leslie was present to explain his bill in detail. He said that his main objective is to create one political entity responsible for the entire area, and to not jeopardize one district over another.

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Jim Clifton, District Engineer for RD 1000, spoke to the Committees. He stated that though he applauds both Leslie's and Garamendi's bills, he doesn't see where the bills will do RD 1000 any good. He explained that RD 1000 has been in operation for 75 years and that they do their job. He said that the County and the City have some responsible flood control agencies. He feels it is unfair to assess the people in RD 100 and make them pay for flood control in other districts. Dave Shore pointed out that since Leslie, Garamendi and RD 1000 have the same interest at heart, they should work together.

Assemblyman Leslie explained that his bill is up for hearing on August 19. He said that both bills can't become law, as they overlap; however, if the Council supports one bill over the other, he loses. There was discussion as to whether they could in fact support both bills. Mel Johnson stated that at this stage the Committees should not oppose this bill, but merely keep it on the watch list. He also said that the Garamendi bill should be presented to the joint Law and Legislation/Transportation and Community Development Committees in a couple of weeks. Although the Committees have previously heard and approved the Garamendi bill in concept, there have been several substantial changes in the bill and it should be heard again. He also expressed his wish that both the Leslie and Garamendi bills could be incorporated and presented as one bill.

It was decided at this time to put AB 1751 (Leslie) on the watch list. Bill to be presented again before the Committees at the same time the Garamendi bill is heard.

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2. Consideration of Sacramento Neighborhood Mediation Center

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF: RECOMMEND APPROVAL; SEND LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT.

COUNCIL ACTION: ITEM TO BE RESCHEDULED.

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Doug Holmen of Planning and Development explained that this matter was presented to the June 23, 1987 City Council meeting, where it was recommended that it be presented to the Law and Legislation Committee. He then introduced Patsy Schiff, who was to explain the program.

Chairman Kastanis stated at this time that he thought the purpose for bringing this matter before the Committees at this time was to request that it be heard in detail at a future meeting.

Committee Member Robie asked Ms. Schiff how this program differed from that of the Human Rights and Fair Housing Commission. Ms. Schiff explained that HRFH has a representative on the Sacramento Neighborhood Mediation Center advisory board. She also stated that HRFH gets between 300-500 calls per month, and since HRFH has limited staff, they can only provide information. Therefore, they need someone to refer mediation to.

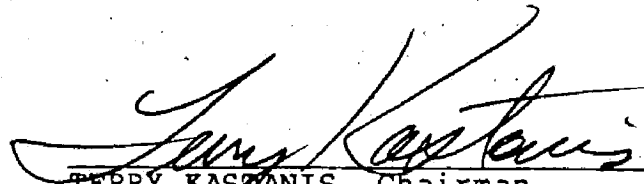
Council Member Robie asked whether there might be some funding implications down the line, and that she would like an analysis of future costs to the City. She stated that she feels a representative from Human Rights should be present when this matter is discussed. She also feels there should be more written information presented to the Committee members prior to this matter being heard.

It was agreed by the Committees that this matter should be brought back to the them at a later date, with the above-noted information and representation provided.

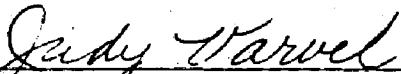
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The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

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TERRY KASTANIS, Chairman
Law and Legislation Committee

ATTEST:


JUDY VARVEL, Secretary
Law and Legislation Committee