

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

SEPTEMBER 1, 1998

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Sacramento City Council was called to order by Mayor Serna at 7:05 p.m. on the above date in the City Council Chamber located at 915 I Street

ROLL CALL

Present: Council members Cohn, Fargo, Hammond, Kerth, Pannell, Steinberg, Waters, Yee and Mayor Serna

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Serna

9.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

10.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

11.0 STAFF REPORTS

- 11.1 BLT Enterprises Transfer Station and Material Recovery Facility Project located at 8191 Fruitridge Road. (D-6)
- A. Certify the Environmental Impact Report
 - B. Approve the associated Mitigation Monitoring Project
 - C. Approve a Special Permit to locate a Materials Recovery Facility and Transfer Station
 - D. Approve the service agreement between the City of Sacramento and BLT Enterprises of Sacramento, Inc., for municipal solid waste transfer, transport, disposal, processing and recovered materials diversion

Reina Schwartz, Solid Waste Manager, gave the report. She reviewed staff recommendations:

- 1) Certify the Environmental Impact Report for the BLT Enterprises project;
- 2) Approve the associated Mitigation Monitoring Plan;
- 3) Approve a Special Permit to locate a Materials Recovery Facility and Transfer Station at 8191 Fruitridge Road; and

4) Approve the service agreement between the City of Sacramento and BLT Enterprises of Sacramento Inc. for municipal solid waste transfer, transport, disposal, processing and recovered materials diversion.

Ms. Schwartz stated that it took two years to secure a solid waste solution. She reported these were the first environmental documents.

Fred Buder, Associate Planner, stated the recommendations were consistent with the general plan. He reported on the EIR (Environmental Impact Report) issues. He stated that opposition to the project expressed concerns over: increased truck traffic, litter, odor, noise, rodent and insect infestation, air quality and limited enforcement powers over the proposed facility.

Mr. Buder suggested that the Mitigation Monitoring Plan identified all the impacts. He reported that vehicle emissions would remain, but staff was working with the Air Quality Division and had developed a four point program to mitigate emissions.

He stated that traffic flow involved considerations for Dixon and Solano. He said fees would be charged for transfer trucks. He suggested an added condition; if Solano county was chosen, they would by-pass the City of Dixon.

Mr. Buder commented that the Neighborhood Garbage committee had specific concerns regarding the EIR.

Mayor Serna questioned the involvement of the City of Dixon. Mr. Buder assured him that staff's intent was to avoid the City of Dixon when hauling Sacramento wastes.

Ms. Schwartz continued the report. She reviewed the key provisions of the service agreement:

- 1) Provided for the 15-year term, beginning with the anticipated start of operation in the summer or fall of 1999, with one five-year extension by agreement of both parties;
- 2) Saved the City in excess of \$1 million annually compared to current costs;
- 3) Allowed BLT Enterprises to choose among transport and disposal options to provide the best value for the City based on costs and environmental impact;
- 4) Assured that the City was a "most-favored" customer;
- 5) Provided diversion of 30 percent of city-collected commercial waste and 50 percent of City-collected neighborhood clean-up waste, helping the City as a whole to meet the state requirement to divert 50 percent of City waste by the year 2000;
- 6) Provided that the City shared in-cost savings if BLT Enterprises was able to reduce the overall transport/disposal cost;
- 7) Provided a permanent facility for self-haul and household hazardous waste collection.

Ms. Schwartz stated that an independent consultant evaluated land-fills and reported that the City's was fine. She said that BLT would notify the City of which facility they would select.

Ms. Schwartz went on to thank those involved in the project and named several key people. She said that BLT was a great project and that it would save \$4 thousand per day and would offer long-term stability.

Mayor Serna asked what impacts this would have on rates over the long-term.

Ms. Schwartz replied there would be a \$1.00 per month reduction with this project; but she warned there were still significant projects to deal with in the future. She did assure the mayor that this project offered stability.

Council Member Cohn asked if there would be an eighteen month lead time. Ms. Schwartz suggested it would be perhaps 12 to 13 months to full operation.

Council Member Kerth noted in the documentation that the contractor could assign contracts. He asked for verification this would be approved by Council. Ms. Schwartz stated that any major contract would require Council approval.

Mr. Kerth confirmed with City Attorney Samuel Jackson that was true.

Council Member Steinberg commended staff on a job well done. He asked about the capacity of 1,500 tons. He confirmed the current daily waste was at 1,600 tons with 2-3,000 per day moving. He spoke about growth and increased capacity needs in the future.

Council Member Kerth also complimented staff.

Council Member Waters also spoke highly of staff, adding that he was a committee member and stated the cooperation received was great.

BLT Representatives thanked Council and assured that the facility would be built within ten months.

Public Testimony:

Michael Coonry stated that as a business owner on 84th Street he was concerned about traffic impacts. He asked the entrance not be on 84th Street.

Ms. Schwartz stated that Packard Bell was in support of the project. Mr. Buderer responded that 84th Street was studied and that there was no projected significant impact.

Rachel Watkins, president of Colonial Village Neighborhood Association, and Elmo Sneider, president of Allendale Neighborhood Association, spoke in support of the project.

Fred Schuler thanked Council Member Steinberg and congratulated BLT. He spoke about a concern regarding black smoke from the trucks. He asked what fuel was currently used for the garbage trucks.

Mr. Buderer responded that staff would analyze emissions and establish a work plan to reduce the emissions. He assured Mr. Schuler that staff would return to council with the plan within four months.

Dick Walker, College Glen Neighborhood Association, stated the association was in support of the project.

Mark O'Brian stated he was across the street from the proposed site. He visited the BLT site in Oxnard and was positively impressed. He was in favor of the project.

David Palmer spoke of his concerns with the emissions, particularly the particulates. Mr. Buderer replied there were three mitigations addressing this issue.

Alex St. James questioned whether property values would be affected.

Eight additional citizens spoke in support of the project.

Mayor Serna thanked Council Member Darrell Steniberg for his hard work in bringing everyone together on this project.

Council Member Steinberg thanked staff, the community, and everyone involved for their input.

Council Members Hammond, Cohn and Pannell congratulated Mr. Steinberg.

Council Member Yee stated that he sat on the SWA Board with Mr. Pane, a prior Council Member. He suggested that because of this early effort, the idea for the transfer station came about.

Mayor Serna stated this had been discussed years ago with the County. He stated it was good public policy.

A motion was made by Council Member Steinberg, seconded by Council Member Hammond, to adopt Resolution 98-460, Amended Resolution 98-461 and Resolution 462 approving Agreement 989-131. The motion carried with a 9-0 vote.

RESOLUTION 98-460

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL CERTIFYING THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, ADOPTING THE FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS AND MITIGATION MONITORING PLAN IN SUPPORT OF ITS APPROVAL OF THE SACRAMENTO RECYCLING AND TRANSFER STATION (BLT) PROJECT (P97-072)

AMENDED RESOLUTION 98-461

A RESOLUTION FOR A SPECIAL PERMIT TO ALLOW A MATERIAL RECOVERY FACILITY/TRANSFER STATION (BLT ENTERPRISES, INC) TO RECEIVE AND PROCESS UP TO 1,500 TONS OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLABLE MATERIAL PER DAY ON 19.4 ± VACANT LOT ACRES FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8191 FRUITRIDGE ROAD, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA IN THE HEAVY INDUSTRIAL (M-2S) ZONE. (P97-072) (APN: 061-0173-014)

RESOLUTION 98-462

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO AND BLT ENTERPRISES OF SACRAMENTO, INC., TO PROVIDE FOR MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE TRANSFER, TRANSPORT, DISPOSAL, PROCESSING AND RECOVERED MATERIALS DIVERSION

12.0 SHRA

None

13.0 COUNCIL IDEAS AND QUESTIONS

13.1 Mayor Serna wished Councilman Cohn a happy birthday.

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

14.1 Fred Schuller recommended that residents place their refuse cans in the gutters in order to keep sidewalks clear for people with vision disabilities.

15.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

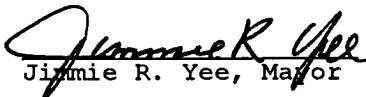
There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. in memory of Tina Galliani, Council member Kerth's Mother-In-Law.

Submitted



Valerie A. Burrowes, City Clerk

Approved



Jimmie R. Yee, Mayor