



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
JOINT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY/
PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA CONVENED
THIS 18TH DAY OF MARCH 2015, AT 7:30 P.M.
AMEDEE O. "DICK" RICHARDS, JR., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1424 MISSION STREET**

ROLL CALL

Mayor Joe convened the Regular Meeting of the South Pasadena Joint City Council/Redevelopment Successor Agency (Agency)/Public Financing Authority (Authority) at 7:39 p.m.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Hall called the roll. Present were City Councilmembers/Agency/Authority Members Cacciotti, Khubesrian, and Schneider; Mayor Pro Tem/Agency/Authority Vice Chair Mahmud; and Mayor/Agency/Authority Chair Joe.

Absent: None.

Other Officials and Staff present: City Manager/Agency/Authority Executive Director Gonzalez; Assistant City Manager Straus; City Attorney/Agency/Authority Counsel Highsmith; Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy Agency/Chief Deputy Authority Secretary Hall; Police Chief Miller; Acting Police Captain Neff; Deputy Fire Chief Riddle; Finance Director Batt; Deputy Public Works Director Furukawa; Director of Library, Arts, and Culture Fjeldsted; Community Services Director Pautsch; Principal Management Analyst Lin; and Senior Management Analyst Figoni.

INVOCATION

Councilmember Schneider presented the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Attorney Highsmith reported that Mayor Joe called to order at 6:31 p.m., the Closed Session Regular Meeting of the City Council of March 18, 2015, and that all Councilmembers were present, with Councilmember Cacciotti arriving at 6:40 p.m. She indicated the meeting convened into Closed Session to discuss the following items as listed on the Closed Session Regular Meeting Agenda:

3. Conference with Legal Counsel – Initiation of Litigation
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(4)
Number of Cases: 2

City Attorney Highsmith announced that direction was provided to legal counsel and no other action was taken regarding Closed Session Item No. 3, consisting of two (2) cases.

2. PRESENTATION OF A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO CLARA RICHARDS, OWNER, FAMILY FAIR, FOR OVER FORTY YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE SOUTH PASADENA COMMUNITY

Mayor Joe presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Clara Richards, Owner, Family Fair, for over forty years of service to the South Pasadena community.

A recess for refreshments was taken in honor of Clara Richards.

The City Council Meeting was reconvened at 7:47 p.m.

3. COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS (3 MINUTES EACH)

Councilmember Cacciotti displayed a photograph regarding a resident's concern with traffic issues on Stratford Avenue. Councilmember Cacciotti thanked Police Chief Miller for the South Pasadena Police Department's efficient response. Councilmember Cacciotti requested the allocation of \$200 of his discretionary funds for the Eddie Park Bridge Project, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud. He announced and displayed PowerPoint presentations on the following items: 1) Correspondence from Janna Philpot, South Pasadena Resident, regarding sidewalk curbcuts; and 2) Update on the South Coast Air Quality Management District's Green Port. Councilmember Cacciotti announced his attendance at the State Route (SR-710) Stakeholder Outreach Advisory Committee Meeting on March 12, 2015.

Councilmember Schneider requested the following items be referred to the Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC): 1) Prepare a historic resource report on the restaurant at Arroyo Seco Golf Course, seconded by Councilmember Khubesrian; and 2) Prepare historic survey of homes and buildings to be completed before the SR-710 North Study

Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement's (EIR/EIS) public comment period closes, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud. City Manager Gonzalez indicated that a supplemental budget request for funding approval of the two CHC projects would have to be brought back at a future City Council Meeting.

Councilmember Khubesrian requested the following items: 1) Prepare a report on the Utility Users Tax (UUT) Repeal Initiative (Initiative) to be discussed at a City Council Meeting in April 2015, seconded by Councilmember Cacciotti; and 2) Prepare a proclamation for the 100th year Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, seconded by Mayor Joe. Councilmember Khubesrian invited the City Council and members of the public to attend the unveiling of a monument dedicated to the Armenian Genocide on April 18, 2015, at 3:00 p.m., at Memorial Park in Pasadena. Councilmember Khubesrian announced the City of South Pasadena's (City) public outreach plans for the SR-710 North Extension Project would be forthcoming in May 2015.

Mayor Joe requested the City consider scheduling a film showing of Dr. Kay Mouradian's Armenian Genocide documentary entitled "My Mother's Voice" at the South Pasadena Public Library.

Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud requested the following items: 1) Schedule a City-sponsored public meeting on the SR-710 North Extension Project, seconded by Councilmember Cacciotti; 2) Add online forms that can be submitted via the City's website, seconded by Councilmember Schneider; and 3) Prepare a staff report on the current water shortage ordinance and fines, seconded by Councilmember Schneider. Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud attended the following meetings and events: 1) Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG) Energy and Environment Committee Meeting regarding SCAG's issuance of a new Regional Transportation Plan. She indicated the City will be submitting scoping comments; 2) Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud made a presentation at a statewide water conference on regional water agencies; 3) Doggy Day and Cats Too! held on March 7, 2015; 4) Coffee with a Cop held on March 7, 2015; 5) Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting held on March 9, 2015; 6) Library Board of Trustees Meeting held on March 12, 2015; 7) No 710 Meeting held on March 14, 2015; 8) Mission-Meridian Village Ad Hoc Subcommittee Meeting held on March 16, 2015; and 9) Council Ad Hoc Downtown Revitalization Committee Meeting held on March 18, 2015. Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud stated she will attend the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments' Board Meeting on March 19, 2015. Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud announced the Community Garden Public Meeting to be held on April 9, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., at the South Pasadena Senior Center.

Mayor Joe announced that he participated in Arroyo Vista Elementary School's Read Across America event and displayed thank you letters from the kindergarten class.

Mayor Joe requested an update on the City's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). Deputy Fire Chief Riddle presented a PowerPoint presentation and update on the CERT.

4. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Gonzalez provided an update on the recent purchase of the Rialto Theatre. He announced and displayed flyers for the following events: 1) FY 2015-16 Budget Process, Public Budget Meeting to be held on April 16, 2015, at 6:30 p.m., and Special City Council Budget Meeting to be held on April 29, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.; 2) State Route 710 Forum to be held on March 30, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., at California State University, Los Angeles; 3) Parking and Traffic Workshop regarding Arroyo Vista Elementary School to be held on April 15, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., at Arroyo Vista Elementary School's Auditorium.

5. REORDERING OF AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud requested that Item Nos. 12 and 14 be reordered and discussed prior to Item No. 10.

Councilmember Cacciotti requested that Item No. 12 be reordered and discussed at the end of the City Council Meeting.

By consensus, the City Council approved and reordered Item Nos. 12 and 14 prior to Item No. 10.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: M/S Mahmud/Cacciotti to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 6, 7, 8, and 9, and including Prepaid Warrants #187384 - 187432 in the amount of \$268,533.92, General City Warrants #187433 - 187572 in the amount of \$694,031.08, and Payroll 03-13-15 in the amount of \$426,570.07, totaling \$1,389,135.07; and seated as the Successor Agency to the Community Redevelopment Agency, approve Redevelopment Successor Agency warrants for \$7,765.18 (included in above total). By roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. Absent: None.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 4, 2015

7. AWARD SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF THREE AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READERS TO 3M IN THE AMOUNT OF \$58,642.80 WITH URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE AND CITIZEN'S OPTIONS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY GRANT FUNDS

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8. APPROVAL OF PREPAID WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$268,533.92, GENERAL CITY WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$694,031.08, AND PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$426,570.07

9. MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORTS FOR JANUARY 2015

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Joe opened the Public Comments section.

Stephen Glazer, Business Consultant, MVPChannel.net, announced his new company that recently opened which produces local community sports videos. He indicated that the company has completed five videos for South Pasadena High School and was seeking financial support from the South Pasadena business community and the City.

Lissa Reynolds, Steering Committee Member, South Pasadena Arts Council (SPARC), announced the inaugural exhibit of the new SPARC Gallery showcasing the work of Lun*na Menoh to be held on March 26, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., at the SPARC Gallery.

Michael Culross, South Pasadena Resident, commented regarding a project at 820 Mission Street (Project), currently under construction, adjacent to his residence. He expressed concern regarding the historical designation of his home and the height of the Project's fence.

Mayor Joe stated that the City would review the matter to determine if it was appropriate to refer the matter to the CHC or staff.

Councilmember Schneider provided the CHC Meeting schedule to South Pasadena Resident Culross.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Joe closed the Public Comments section.

The agenda was reordered and Action/Discussion Item No. 12 was discussed at this time:

12. DIRECTION REGARDING INITIATION OF UTILITY BOX ART PROGRAM AND CONSIDERATION OF SOUTH PASADENA ARTS COUNCIL'S (SPARC) PROPOSAL TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAM

Community Services Director Pautsch presented the staff report.

In response to Councilmember Cacciotti's question, Howard Spector, Steering Committee Member, SPARC, indicated the structure of SPARC was primarily a non-profit. Steering Committee Member Spector stated that he began receiving a small monthly stipend this year to direct the organization; however, most SPARC programs are managed by volunteers.

Community Services Director Pautsch clarified that SPARC would receive a proposed fee of \$7,500 to administer the Utility Box Art Program (UBAP) on behalf of the City. In response to Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud's question, Community Services Director Pautsch discussed the proposed fees. She explained \$7,500 is allocated for administrative costs and \$7,500 is allocated for the completion of ten Box Arts. Community Services Director Pautsch stated an honorarium in the amount of \$750 would be provided to each artist.

In response to Mayor Joe's inquiry, Community Services Director Pautsch stated the proposed funding was for a one-time program. She explained the Business Improvement Tax (BIT) was the proposed funding source; however, there were other funding sources that could be considered. She discussed the current and projected balance of the BIT funds.

In response to Councilmember Cacciotti's question, City Attorney Highsmith discussed legal agreements. She indicated there are state laws that pertain to public art and the rights of artists to maintain the art once it has been commissioned. City Attorney Highsmith advised the City Council to consider the state law requirements. She offered to provide draft agreements to SPARC.

Mayor Joe opened the Public Comments section.

Steering Committee Member Spector provided a summary of SPARC's UBAP and indicated SPARC's preference would be to fund the program from the City's General Fund (General Fund); however, they are not averse to receiving BIT funds.

Joanne Nuckols, South Pasadena Resident, indicated support for the proposed UBAP.

Odom Stamps, Member, SPARC, and past Chair, South Pasadena Chamber of Commerce (SPCOC), indicated support for the proposed UBAP. He indicated his preference was to fund the project from the General Fund.

Laurie Wheeler, Interim Director, SPCOC, noted that \$12,000 of the \$120,500 in BIT funds is allocated to the South Pasadena Tournament of Roses (SPTOR) Committee.

Steve Inzunza, Steering Committee Member, SPARC, indicated support of funding public art programs in the City. He recommended that public art programs be included in the General Fund through the Strategic Plan process.

Jamie Inzunza, Board Member, SPCOC, and South Pasadena Business Owner, recommended that public art programs be included in the General Fund through the Strategic Plan process.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Joe closed the Public Comments section.

Councilmember Khubesrian commented that the source of funding should not be a barrier to funding the UBAP.

City Manager Gonzalez stated that the UBAP was an allowable use of BIT funding.

Councilmember Khubesrian indicated support of funding the UBAP with BIT funds.

Councilmember Schneider indicated support of public art and the UBAP.

In response to Councilmember Schneider's question, Interim Director Wheeler stated the SPCOC is supportive of administering funds for the UBAP.

Councilmember Cacciotti indicated support of the UBAP. He recommended a reduced fee of \$5,000.

In response to Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud's question, City Manager Gonzalez clarified that the funding would be outlined in an agreement with the SPCOC.

Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud indicated support of the UBAP. She recommended that funds be allocated as follows: \$7,500 to the artists and \$5,000 to SPARC, for a total of \$12,500.

Mayor Joe indicated support of the UBAP with funding through the BIT fund.

Discussion followed among City Council regarding the proposed artist fees, state laws related to the maintenance of public art, and the process for selection of art for the UBAP.

MOTION: M/S Mahmud/Cacciotti to approve the following: 1) Development of an agreement to allocate \$5,000 towards administrative costs and \$7,500 towards artist fees from the Business Improvement Tax funds for the South Pasadena Arts Council's Utility Box Art Program. The agreement is intended to be entered into with the Chamber of Commerce, which will then subcontract with SPARC for the Utility Box Art Program; and 2) Request a waiver of right to removal by the City from the participating artists. By roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. Absent: None.

14. AUTHORIZE A PUBLIC COMMENT LETTER REGARDING THE NEW PROPOSED REGULATIONS FOR THE CALTRANS AFFORDABLE SALES PROGRAM

Principal Management Analyst Lin presented the staff report and responded to City Councilmembers' questions.

Mayor Joe opened the Public Comments section.

Don Jones, no affiliation stated, commented that he provided correspondence to the City regarding the sale of 2002 Berkshire Avenue as an example of a successful collaboration between the City and California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) on the sale of vacant Caltrans properties to be placed on the tax rolls. Speaker Jones indicated the process has been cited by Christopher Sutton, Attorney, Law Office of Christopher Sutton, representing Caltrans tenants, as a model transaction for the City and Caltrans to follow.

Marilyn Shatz, South Pasadena Resident, commented regarding the changes made by Caltrans and expressed concern that the neglected conditions of the Caltrans properties are not being addressed. South Pasadena Resident Shatz requested that the City's public comment letter regarding the Caltrans Affordable Sales Program address the issue of Caltrans properties being sold in "as is" condition and the order of priority.

Joanne Nuckols, South Pasadena Resident, spoke on behalf of the Caltrans Tenants Association. She submitted correspondence requesting various modifications to the City's public comment letter regarding the Caltrans Affordable Sales Program. South Pasadena Resident Nuckols requested the Caltrans public comment period be extended until after the Caltrans public hearings are held.

Amelia Lomeli, South Pasadena Resident, commented regarding Caltrans' use of median income criteria. She requested the City address the issue of tenants being moved from

certain Caltrans properties to other Caltrans properties, and losing their status as affordable rent tenants.

There being no additional speakers, Mayor Joe closed the Public Comments section.

A motion was made by Councilmember Cacciotti to incorporate the public comments made by the aforementioned members of the public and expressed by the City Councilmembers, and to add the following language related to vacant properties: "...present a clear and immediate danger to health, safety, and welfare," seconded by Councilmember Schneider. There was no roll call vote taken at this time as further discussion among the City Councilmembers ensued.

Councilmember Schneider stated he concurred with Speaker Jones' comments. Councilmember Schneider stated he sent modifications to a letter drafted by Caltrans tenants Attorney Sutton to Principal Management Analyst Lin. Councilmember Schneider recommended the following amendment to the motion: 1) Not to evict tenants independent of their income level; 2) Request that Caltrans assess the property values as quickly as possible; and 3) Transfer the Caltrans properties to the City's Housing Authority to start the process that was used for 2002 Berkshire Avenue. Councilmember Schneider indicated support for the City's public comment letter regarding the Caltrans Affordable Sales Program, as written, and to include his recommended modifications and comments expressed by the members of the public.

Councilmember Khubesrian commented that the transfer of Caltrans properties to the Housing Authority should be discussed as a separate agenda item due to the need for an analysis by staff.

Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud commented that there was a legal issue with discussing the transfer of Caltrans properties as the matter was not related to the City's public comment letter regarding the Caltrans Affordable Sales Program. Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud expressed concern with a discussion of the transfer of Caltrans properties to the Housing Authority.

City Attorney Highsmith advised that it was appropriate to withhold comments related to the transfer of Caltrans properties to the Housing Authority. She explained that the City was commenting on the regulations and changes that have been made to the Caltrans Affordable Sales Program.

Councilmember Khubesrian recommended that a request be made to Caltrans to extend the public comment period to 90 days.

Councilmember Cacciotti accepted Councilmember Schneider's amendment to the previous motion.

Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud recommended that discretion be given to City Manager Gonzalez and Principal Management Analyst Lin to incorporate Caltrans tenants Attorney Sutton's comments. She expressed opposition to supporting Caltrans tenants Attorney Sutton's comments without having first been reviewed by the City Council.

City Manager Gonzalez stated the due date was April 13, 2015, to submit the City's comment letter. He indicated that the City would not be able to incorporate all comments received due to time constraints. He indicated that all members of the public could submit comments directly to Caltrans.

Mayor Joe recommended that City Manager Gonzalez work with City Attorney Highsmith to approve the City's public comment letter regarding the Caltrans Affordable Sales Program.

Discussion followed among City Councilmembers and staff regarding incorporation of additional language related to appraisals, parcel numbers, and 2002 Berkshire Avenue into the City's public comment letter regarding the Caltrans Affordable Sales Program.

MOTION: M/S Cacciotti/Mahmud to approve a public comment letter regarding the new proposed California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Affordable Sales Program Regulations for surplus State Route 710 (SR-710) North Extension properties, and that the City Manager incorporate the comments and concerns expressed by members of the public and City Councilmembers as deemed appropriate. By roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. Absent: None.

PUBLIC HEARING

10. FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SOUTH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING CALLING UP DECISIONS FOR REVIEW AND APPEALING CODE ENFORCEMENT DECISIONS

Planning and Building Director Watkins presented the staff report and responded to City Councilmembers' questions. He indicated that due to the revised ordinance language, the first reading and introduction of the proposed ordinance would be deferred to the April 8, 2015 City Council Special Meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud indicated support for the proposed ordinance.

City Attorney Highsmith noted that the public hearing would be re-noticed to the April 8, 2015 City Council Special Meeting.

Mayor Joe opened the Public Hearing.

There being no speakers, Mayor Joe closed the Public Hearing.

CONSENSUS

By consensus, the City Council deferred the first reading and introduction of an ordinance that amends South Pasadena Municipal Code (SPMC) Section 36.610.020 (Calls for Review) and SPMC Section 36.610.040 (Who May Appeal) to the April 8, 2015 City Council Special Meeting.

ACTION/DISCUSSION

11. CONSIDERATION OF A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SENATE BILL 47, REVIEWING AND ANALYZING THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH IMPACTS OF SYNTHETIC TURF

Senior Management Analyst Figoni presented the staff report as part of a PowerPoint Presentation.

Councilmember Khubesrian inquired why the moratorium concerning the time limit was changed.

Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud indicated that "Senate Bill 47 (SB 47), Hill. Environmental health: synthetic turf" was more controversial than it initially appeared. She discussed the following points: 1) The prohibition was extended to the installation of any type of artificial turf; 2) The prohibition was very comprehensive; and 3) SB 47 was viewed as being overreaching given the fact that the State of California was in its fourth year of an historic drought. Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud stated that SB 47 was opposed by the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (SDLAC) due to concerns that it would impair their efforts to appropriately dispose of recycled tires.

Councilmember Khubesrian indicated opposition to SDLAC's ability to dispose of recycled tires and the use of synthetic turf when there was significant preliminary evidence of the health risks. Councilmember Khubesrian stated there should be extensive testing conducted prior to the introduction of chemicals into the environment.

Mayor Joe opened the Public Comments section.

There being no speakers, Mayor Joe closed the Public Comments section.

A motion was made by Councilmember Cacciotti to authorize the Mayor to sign and submit a letter supporting SB 47 for reviewing and analyzing the environmental impacts of synthetic turf, seconded by Councilmember Khubesrian. There was no roll call vote taken as further discussion among the City Councilmembers ensued.

Councilmember Khubesrian indicated that SB 47, as is, removes the moratorium concerning the time limit; however, she indicated support of SB 47.

Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud indicated SB 47 was very early in the legislative process and was likely to be amended numerous times due to the controversial subject. She stated that it was significant that the League of California Cities (LOCC) had not yet taken any action on SB 47. Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud recommended the City Council exercise discretion in deciding when to take a position on a bill. Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud indicated opposition to the proposed motion for the following reasons: 1) Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud has no confidence that SB 47 was not going to undergo further substantial changes that may need to be considered each time changes are made; 2) Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud expressed concern that the City not weaken its participation by taking positions on bills that do not have a direct impact on the City; 3) There was not a specific nexus on the subject of SB 47 to the City; and 4) The issue of how Cities administer water conservation programs is an issue that directly affects the City and, based on this issue, no position should be taken by the City as SB 47 interferes with local oversight.

Councilmember Schneider stated that Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud's points had merit, especially the fact that SB 47 may be altered in the future. Councilmember Schneider inquired who requested to send a letter of support.

Councilmember Khubesrian stated she requested a letter of support and received a second.

Councilmember Schneider indicated opposition to the reuse of recycled tires and any chemicals that could be introduced into the environment. Councilmember Schneider commented that it might be too early to take a position on an issue such as SB 47. He indicated opposition to the use of crumb rubber fill.

Councilmember Khubesrian stated that the subject matter was a major health issue and the process was not a good way to solve these problems. Councilmember Khubesrian stated she received numerous comments from residents who were concerned with the installation of synthetic turf containing chemicals in areas where children and other vulnerable populations play. She indicated that she would like to work with the LOCC on a moratorium until further studies are completed. Councilmember Khubesrian recommended language supporting a moratorium be included in the letter, or a moratorium on crumb rubber fill, until the studies are completed.

Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud clarified that SB 47, as written, prohibited any installation of synthetic turf, even synthetic turf that did not contain crumb rubber fill.

Councilmember Cacciotti concurred with Councilmember Khubesrian's aforementioned comments. He indicated the issue was significant and required a review of the environmental impacts of synthetic turf on the City's residents and the entire state. Councilmember Cacciotti disagreed with the prior comments made by Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud and recommended the City support SB 47.

Councilmember Schneider recommended that the letter state the City is opposed to the use of recycled tires and other toxic chemicals in synthetic turf and the release of these chemicals into the environment.

A motion was made by Councilmember Schneider to specify in the letter the City's opposition to the use of toxic chemicals and recycled tires in synthetic turf, seconded by Councilmember Cacciotti. There was no roll call vote taken at this time as further discussion among the City Councilmembers ensued.

Mayor Pro Tem Mahmud inquired if the City was opposed to the use of recycled tires in rubber asphalt.

Discussion followed among the City Council regarding the use of recycled tires in rubber asphalt.

CONSENSUS

By consensus, the City Council concurred they were not opposed to the use of recycled tires in rubber asphalt.

MOTION: M/S Schneider/Cacciotti to authorize the Mayor to sign and submit a letter supporting Senate Bill 47 (SB 47) concerning the review and analysis of the environmental impacts of synthetic turf and to include the following modifications in the letter: 1) Add a statement that the City is opposed to the use of recycled tires in the form of crumb rubber fill, and other toxic chemicals, as components of synthetic turf; and 2) Specify in the letter that, at the present time, the City is not opposed to the use of recycled tires, and other chemicals, in rubber asphalt; and 3) City Council supports the initial moratorium language. By roll call vote, the motion passed 4-1-0 (Mahmud: No, Absent: None).

13. DIRECTION REGARDING ALLOCATING FUNDS TO UPDATE THE MISSION STREET SPECIFIC PLAN AND ESTIMATED TIME OF COMPLETION

Planning and Building Director Watkins presented the staff report and responded to City Councilmembers' questions.

Mayor Joe opened the Public Comments section.

There being no speakers, Mayor Joe closed the Public Comments section.

In response to Councilmember Khubesrian's question, Planning and Building Director Watkins explained that the affordable housing density bonus was a state requirement that must be offered. He discussed the parking density bonus that was strictly a Mission Street Specific Plan feature and discretionary.

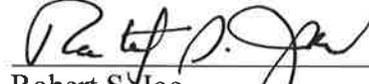
MOTION: M/S Cacciotti/Khubesrian to approve a concurrent update process of the Mission Street Specific Plan and the General Plan, and designation of a fund reserve account for Fiscal Year 2015-16. By roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. Absent: None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Joe adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Joint City Council/Redevelopment Successor Agency/Public Financing Authority at 10:57 p.m.



Evelyn G. Zneimer
City Clerk



Robert S. Joe
Mayor

Minutes approved by the South Pasadena City Council on April 8, 2015.