

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY- -APRIL 17, 2012- -7:00 P.M.

Mayor Gilmore convened the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Councilmember Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL - Present: Councilmembers Bonta, deHaan, Johnson, Tam and Mayor Gilmore – 5.

Absent: None.

AGENDA CHANGES

None.

PROCLAMATIONS, SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(12-162) Introduction of New Alameda Recreation and Park Director.

The City Manager introduced Amy Wooldridge.

Ms. Wooldridge made brief comments.

(12-163) Proclamation Declaring April as Autism Awareness Month.

Mayor Gilmore read and presented the proclamation to Jodi Moore, Commission on Disability Issues.

(12-164) Proclamation Declaring April 15 through April 21, 2012 as Boys and Girls Club Week.

Mayor Gilmore read and presented the proclamation to Boys and Girls Club representatives: George Philips, Marc Morales, Menirah Hassan, Kezree Morrow, Kyree Morrow and John Hamilton.

(12-165) Proclamation Declaring April 21, 2012, as Earth Day.

Mayor Gilmore read and presented the proclamation to Jeff Cambra, League of Women Voters, and Janice Edwards, Alameda Backyard Growers.

(12-166) Proclamation Declaring May 2012 as Asian Pacific Heritage Month.

Mayor Gilmore read and presented the proclamation to Martin Fong, Buena Vista Methodist Church.

Mr. Fong encouraged everyone to attend the festival on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

(12-167) Proclamation Declaring April 2012 as Fair Housing Month.

Mayor Gilmore read and presented the proclamation to Justine Francis and Nina Lim, Alameda Association of Realtors.

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, NON-AGENDA

(12-168) Kathleen Brooks, Alameda Unified School District, announced an upcoming event for a bone marrow donor registration drive.

In response to Councilmember Johnson's inquiry, Ms. Brooks stated the test is just a cheek swab.

(12-169) Eric Schatmeier, Alameda, discussed his concerns with AC Transit service cuts.

In response to Councilmember Johnson's inquiry, the Public Works Director stated staff would suggest holding a meeting of the Inter-Agency Liaison Committee (ILC); that he would follow up with the Mayor regarding ILC membership.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Gilmore announced that the CLE Engineering contract was removed from the Consent Calendar [paragraph no. 12-172].

Councilmember Tam moved approval of the remainder of the Consent Calendar.

Vice Mayor Bonta seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote – 5.

(\*12-170) Minutes of the Special and Regular City Council Meetings Held on March 20, 2012. Approved.

(\*12-171) Ratified bills in the amount of \$740,211.35.

(12-172) Recommendation to Award a Contract in the Amount of \$112,800, Including Contingencies, to CLE Engineering for the Evaluation, Analysis, and Preparation of Engineering Documents for the South Shore Lagoon Dredging Project, No. P.W. 09-09-27.

Councilmember Tam recused herself and left the dais.

The City Engineer gave a brief presentation.

Mayor Gilmore inquired when the lagoon was last dredged.

The City Engineer responded certain areas of the lagoon are dredged periodically; stated it has been quite a while since the entire lagoon was dredged.

Councilmember deHaan inquired how much soil would be taken from the lagoon, to which the City Engineer responded the amount depends upon project costs.

Councilmember Johnson inquired how often the lagoon would need to be dredged to keep the lagoon in a good condition.

The City Engineer responded some areas naturally scour because of the way the water circulates; stated contaminants accumulate in the bends.

Councilmember Johnson inquired whether a long-term maintenance plan would be considered, to which the City Engineer responded the proposed analysis would determine what a long-term maintenance plan would cost.

Councilmember Johnson stated the original plan in the early 1950's was to have homeowners pay for a large part of the lagoon system.

The City Engineer stated the City has an agreement with homeowners; portions of the lagoon are managed by the City; other portions are managed by homeowners; homeowners have been sharing 50/50 in the cost.

Expressed concern with impacts on the existing clean up process at the Base and questioned how the cleanup would work: Carol Gottstein, Restoration Advisory Board (RAB).

In response to Mayor Gilmore's inquiry, the City Engineer stated the proposed contract includes the additional studies the Navy needs to determine whether or not the material is acceptable.

Mayor Gilmore inquired whether the City would work with the Navy and the RAB.

The City Engineer responded staff would be happy to make a presentation to the RAB; stated the City would work with the Navy; staff would come back to Council to request going out to bid.

Councilmember deHaan stated a location for storing the material before transport has not been determined.

Councilmember Johnson moved approval of the staff recommendation.

Vice Mayor Bonta seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote – 4. [Absent: Councilmember Tam – 1.]

(\*12-173) Recommendation to Accept \$271,135 from the US Department of Homeland Security's Assistance to Firefighter Grant Program for the Replacement of Wildland Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment and Firefighter Survival Training, Appropriate \$54,227 from the General Fund to Meet the Matching Funds Requirement

of the Grant, and Authorize Purchase. Accepted.

(\*12-174) Ordinance No. 3043, "Amending the Alameda Municipal Code by Repealing in Its Entirety Subsection 2-14 (Housing Commission) from Article II (Boards and Commissions) of Chapter II (Administration)." Finally passed.

### REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

(12-175) Resolution No. 14667, "Appointing Sandy Wong to the Transportation Commission." Adopted.

Councilmember Johnson moved adoption of the resolution.

Councilmember Tam seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote – 5.

(12-176) Recommendation to Review and Approve the Prioritized Transportation Project List.

The Public Works Director gave a brief presentation; stated staff is comfortable with criteria [proposed in correspondence from John Knox White]; two lists could be created.

Mayor Gilmore stated the list is not user friendly and is difficult to read; that she likes the idea of having two separate lists.

Councilmember Tam stated the Public Works Director has indicated that he would like to apply for grants while the methodology is being finalized and rankings are refined; that she is not sure which projects staff has in mind.

The Public Works Director responded staff has just become aware of possible grants; stated eligibility criteria need to be reviewed; staff would look at the highest ranked projects in the Pedestrian and Bike Plans that best meet the criteria; staff is concerned that some [grant funding] opportunities could be missed.

Mayor Gilmore stated the basic question is how projects would be ranked in the first place.

The Public Works Director stated the Bike Plan has a lot of projects listed as high, medium, and low priority; however, some highly rated projects in the Bike Plan are not top rated in the prioritized list.

Vice Mayor Bonta inquired whether staff is not thinking of anything specific or immediate but a hypothetical possibility where there might be an opportunity to apply for funding and staff wants permission to do so, to which the Public Works Director responded staff just became aware of some grants.

The Assistant City Manager stated gathering more input from the Transportation Commission and Planning Board would not be a quick process and staff might not be

able to report back to Council until September; some opportunities could be missed for high priority projects that have already been approved.

The Public Works Director stated staff could work with Bike Alameda to obtain buy in for possible bike grants; staff does not want to miss any opportunities.

Councilmember deHaan inquired how Measure B would fit in.

The Public Works Director responded some projects on the list are included in the Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP).

Councilmember deHaan inquired whether projects are highlighted accordingly, to which the Public Works Director responded in the negative.

Councilmember deHaan stated there have been discussions on current TEP expenditures and future funding.

The Public Works Director stated that staff did not use the TEP as a criteria; the Broadway/Jackson project is not in the TEP; the Miller-Sweeney Bridge and Rapid Bus Service projects are in the TEP.

Councilmember deHaan stated some projects are already in the queue and have existing funding in place.

The Public Works Director stated none of the projects on the list are shovel ready; the intent is to develop a list for applying for future grants; public input would be needed even if the City receives grants.

Councilmember deHaan stated that the [March 20, 2012] Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) presentation outlined projects beyond the existing projects; questioned how said projects would fit in.

The Public Works Director stated some projects would be funded over the course of the TEP, but the City would not start the projects without community consensus.

The Assistant City Manager stated the City cannot count on funds in the event voters do not approve the tax in November.

Councilmember Johnson stated staff should move forward with applying for grants; the list should be more user-friendly; having the projects sorted by categories and type would help; inquired whether many sidewalk projects are not listed because there is no funding source.

The Public Works Director responded said projects are bundled together.

Councilmember Johnson inquired whether general sidewalk and street maintenance is included.

The Public Works Director responded general maintenance is included in the Maintenance of Streets, Sidewalks, and Trails category; stated locations are not identified.

Councilmember Johnson inquired how much money would be allocated for said category, to which the Public Works Director responded \$5 million per year.

Councilmember Johnson inquired whether said amount is funded, to which the Public Works Director responded in the negative.

Councilmember Johnson stated having new things is nice, but the City needs to maintain what exists; inquired whether the City has a pothole crew.

The Public Works Director responded in the affirmative; stated potholes are popping up throughout the City because of the rains; Public Works mid-managers have adopted certain streets.

Councilmember Johnson suggested posting something on the City's website so that people can inform the City of pothole locations.

The Public Works Director stated people report potholes via Comcate [known as Alameda Access on the City's website].

In response to Councilmember Johnson's inquiry, the Public Works Director stated crack sealing is done every year under the resurfacing contract.

Vice Mayor Bonta thanked staff for having the Transportation Commission and Planning Board review the draft list; stated the Transportation Commission and Planning Board's expertise is very helpful.

Councilmember deHaan stated the Broadway-Jackson project is major; street and sidewalk maintenance is on-going and mandatory for sustaining the quality of life in Alameda; that he considers the maintenance more important.

The Public Works Director stated different funding sources are available; the Broadway-Jackson funding would not be the same source as sidewalk repair; more money would be available for street, sidewalk, and trail maintenance if Measure B3 passes [in November].

Discussed the roles of the Planning Board and Transportation Commission, suggested Council provide feedback on the list and a wish list be created for projects not vetted: John Knox White, Alameda.

Expressed support for the revised process and going forward with grants: Jon Spangler, Alameda; and Lucy Gigli, Bike Alameda.

Mayor Gilmore stated there is consensus for wanting the bike and pedestrian projects to go forward, applying for grants, and sending the matter back to the Transportation Commission and Planning Board; complimented staff for all the hard work; stated having a more user friendly document would help the community be more informed.

Councilmember Johnson stated maintenance should be a separate category because maintenance needs to be done every year.

Councilmember deHaan stated lifeline projects are important too; funding sources should be outlined.

Vice Mayor Bonta moved approval of having the matter go back to the Planning Board and Transportation Commission; and authorize staff to seek grants for projects already approved in the Bike and Pedestrian Plans.

Councilmember Tam seconded the motion and requested clarification on whether Council wants the whole methodology to come back to Council after the Transportation Commission and Planning Board review or just the point assignments.

Councilmember deHaan stated Council requested categorizing items, particularly maintenance and lifeline projects.

Councilmember Johnson stated items need to be separated out so maintenance projects are prioritized within its own category.

Councilmember Tam inquired whether Council wants the methodology or the final list to come back.

Councilmember Johnson responded either way would be fine; stated bringing the methodology back might be helpful; that she would not want to drag the matter out longer than necessary.

Mayor Gilmore suggested that maintenance have its own category and that the Transportation Commission and Planning Board provide an Off Agenda Report [after reviewing methodology] and Council could decide whether to bring the matter back for discussion.

The Public Works Director suggested adding a maintenance category and a column identifying the type of project; stated the list could be sorted by type.

Mayor Gilmore stated projects should be sorted by type; people might not care about bike projects but might care about pedestrian projects; having projects sorted by type would make projects easier to find.

On the call for the question, to motion carried by unanimous voice vote – 5.

(12-177) Resolution No. 14668, “Adopting a Policy for Public Participation.” Adopted;

and

(12-177A) Introduction of Ordinance Amending the Alameda Municipal Code by Amending Chapter 2 (Administration) of Article II (Boards and Commissions) by Repealing Section 2-20; Amending Sections 2-13.2(a); 2-15.2(a); 2-21.2(a); and Amending Sections 2-12.2(b), 2-13.2(b), 2-15.2(b), 2-16.2(b), 2-17.2(b), 2-18.2(b), 2-19.2(b), 2-21.2(b), to Dissolve the Film Commission, Revise the Membership of the Golf, Economic Development and Youth Advisory Commissions, and Allow Councilmembers to Make Nominations for Commission Vacancies Over 60 Days. Introduced with amendments.

The Deputy City Manager gave a Power Point presentation.

Mayor Gilmore thanked the sub-committee members, Vice Mayor Bonta, Councilmember Tam, and the Deputy City Manager for putting in the vast amount of work required to drill down and distill the principles.

Councilmember Tam stated that she appreciates staff's hard work in putting together a very comprehensive merging of how to deal with the public participation process; the City needs a public participation policy which deals with not only streamlining boards and commissions for the sake of efficiencies while dealing with budget shortfalls but to have effective boards and commissions which compliment the public participation process; last year, the City held more meetings than working days which clearly shows that Council and staff are exhausting themselves; how boards and commissions evolved over time is unclear; the Golf Commission has no purpose but has duties; the Planning Board has a purpose but no duties; it is important to work with boards and commissions on coming up with a consistent format on how boards and commissions report activities to Council and at the same time identify a common purpose to collectively understand authority; people at the public workshop discussed confusion with the jargon of the agendas; for example, people do not associate cutting down trees with the Park Street Streetscape Project or Gibbons Drive or child pedestrian safety at Lincoln Avenue and Pacific Avenue when addressing the Transportation Element; identifying agenda items in layman's terms would be beneficial.

Vice Mayor Bonta concurred with Councilmember Tam; thanked the Deputy City Manager for his leadership on the issue; stated a lot of issues have been tackled through the public meetings; the community is extremely engaged and wants to be involved with City government and decisions made that impact quality of life; multiple modes of public communication resonated with him; public workshop discussions included ways to keep communication open; determining how to make the work of boards and commissions more meaningful while linking the work to the Council's work and creating a structure for discipline is being addressed; people want to come away from a meeting knowing that they have contributed to the City.

Councilmember Johnson thanked the sub-committee and Deputy City Manager for working through the issue from the functions of the boards and commissions and the function and quality of public participation; a lot of insight has been brought into the



matter to help make decisions.

Councilmember deHaan stated the public meetings had slim attendance; inquired whether board and commission members attended, to which the Deputy City Manager responded in the affirmative.

Councilmember deHaan stated the public is able to communicate with Council through emails; communication with boards and commissions is more difficult; suggested creating one email for each board and commission as start; that he does not think the number of meetings would be reduced by reducing the number of members; the number of meetings depend on issues; some commissions and boards have been an outgrowth of other boards and commissions; the Film Commission is an outgrowth of the Economic Development Commission; the Public Art Commission is an outgrowth of the Recreation and Park Commission; the Transportation Commission is an outgrowth of the Planning Board and could continue to be a standalone commission.

Mayor Gilmore inquired whether the reason to reduce members on certain boards and commissions is to achieve a quorum, to which the Deputy City Manager responded in the affirmative.

Urged the number of members on the Recreation and Park Commission be reduced: Bill Delaney, Recreation and Park Commission.

Encouraged staff training in addition to board and commission training, having items brought to boards/commissions for action, and basing membership on seats needed, not quorum issues: John Knox White, Alameda.

Encouraged implementation of a web 2.0 model and need for diversity on boards and commissions: Jon Spangler, Alameda.

Expressed concern with the report not going far enough and the disconnect between increasing participation and lowering commission membership; and encouraged a Request for Proposal be issued to hire an expert: Nancy Hird, Alameda Citizens Task Force.

Expressed the community is engaged and encouraged listening to the community: Gretchen Lipow, Alameda.

Expressed concern with the Planning Board duties being cut off and encouraged names of members be listed on agendas: Carol Gottstein, Alameda.

Following Mr. Delaney's comments, Councilmember Johnson inquired whether the Recreation and Park Commission has only had five seats filled, to which Mr. Delaney responded in the affirmative.

Councilmember Johnson questioned whether the [quorum] problem existed when there were seven members; stated that she does want to reduce the number of members to

create a quorum since filling the other seats would be a way to get a quorum; that she favors small commissions; however, the Recreation and Park Commission deals with such diverse issues that she would prefer to have seven Commissioners; that she understands why the Mayor has not filled the seats; the seats would be filled if the Commission remains at seven.

Mr. Delaney stated the existing five members have been effective at handling diverse issues in the last year.

Vice Mayor Bonta inquired whether the request is coming from the Commission and whether a formal vote was taken on reducing the membership from seven to five.

Mr. Delaney responded the full body of the Commission is making the request.

The Assistant City Manager noted the Chair sent a letter to the Mayor on behalf of the Commission back in December.

Mr. Delaney stated a vote was not taken.

Vice Mayor Bonta inquired whether all five members share the viewpoint expressed tonight, to which Mr. Delaney responded in the affirmative.

Councilmember deHaan stated public-private partnerships might be established; questioned whether only having five members would be effective; stated the matter has not been addressed; the partnerships could change the dynamics immensely; certain interest groups might want to have a seat.

Mayor Gilmore stated that she would prefer to go down to five members for the Recreation and Park Commission; the existing Commission can continue to efficiently handle the workload.

Councilmember Johnson inquired why the Commission did not vote on the issue, to which Mr. Delaney responded the Commission could do so.

Councilmember Johnson stated having a vote would allow the public to comment on the issue; further stated having different perspective on the Recreation and Park Commission is good since there are many issues, such as youth, seniors, parks, and programs.

Mayor Gilmore inquired about the process for reducing the number of commission members, the Assistant City Manager responded the process is via ordinance.

Mayor Gilmore inquired whether changing the Recreation and Park Commission change could be inserted tonight, to which the Assistant City Manager and City Attorney responded in the affirmative.

Following Ms. Gottstein's comments, Councilmember Johnson stated board and

commission members names should be added to agendas if there is a way to do so; that she disagrees with the recommendation to have Councilmembers nominate members if there is a vacancy over 60 days, which she does not believe is consistent with the Charter; consistency with the Charter should be ensured; the Recreation and Park Commission vacancies were held for a deliberate reason; Councilmembers concerned about vacancies could raise the issue under Council Communications; allowing a Councilmember to nominate somebody is not consistent with the Charter; Councilmembers can address the issue other ways.

Councilmember deHaan stated attendance was previously discussed; inquired how attendance would be incorporated; stated members are obligated to attend 70% of meetings; if not, a [removal] process can go forward; the matter should be addressed and included and should apply to all boards and commissions; inquired whether the website shows the boards and commissions.

The Assistant City Manager responded the members and their terms office are listed under each board and commission.

Councilmember deHaan stated having the members on the agenda is not a bad idea.

The City Attorney noted that the Charter has the Mayor make nominations to boards; commissions are by ordinance and are not a Charter issue.

Councilmember Johnson stated there should be consistency; there should not be one process for appointing boards and another for appointing commissions.

Vice Mayor Bonta inquired whether there is a conflict if applied to boards; stated the recommendation is for both boards and commissions.

The City Attorney responded in the affirmative.

The Assistant City Manager stated the actual ordinance only deals with commissions, but the Power Point and report mentioned boards and commissions; Council can introduce the ordinance as presented.

The Deputy City Manager noted two commissions [non-Charter entities] are named boards [Pension Board and Housing and Building Code Hearing and Appeals Board].

Mayor Gilmore stated the Council should consider changing those to make it clear that boards are listed in the Charter and commissions are created by ordinance.

Councilmember Johnson inquired whether said change should be made now, to which Mayor Gilmore responded in the affirmative.

The Deputy City Manager stated the process to clarify and redefine the duties of the commissions is something that needs to be done and the name changes would be easy.

The City Manager and Councilmember Johnson stated the names changes could be done now.

Councilmember Tam stated that her engineer side understands the difference with getting a quorum when five out of seven are needed versus three out of five; her practical public servant side believes it is more important to have the quality input; one of the board's and commission's roles is having hearings to allow public input and facilitate community dialogue as a whole; having quality members is important; deciding the number of members is the role of the Council, not the Recreation and Park Commission.

Councilmember deHaan noted the Economic Development Commission has certain designated seats, which needs to be considered.

The Assistant City Manager stated the designated seats would be retained and two of the four community-at-large seats would be eliminated.

Councilmember Johnson urged the Council to leave the process of having the Mayor make nominations; stated that she would rather reduce the Youth Advisory Commission to nine members; all high schools should be represented.

Mayor Gilmore stated staff has provided feedback that there is recruiting problem.

The Deputy City Manager expressed staff has to go to great efforts to get the members to the meeting.

Councilmember Johnson stated since the Youth Advisory Commission does not vote, so a quorum should not be a problem.

The City Attorney stated all the commissions are subject to the Brown Act and should not meet without a quorum.

Councilmember Johnson inquired whether a different process could be followed; questioned if the Youth Advisory Commission could meet less often.

Councilmember Tam stated that half of the meetings are cancelled because they cannot get seven people present; noted students could participate without being on the Commission.

Mayor Gilmore stated having staff track down members is not a good use of staff time; there has to be balance; the forum is being provided.

Councilmember Johnson inquired whether the members are aware, to which the Deputy City Manager responded that he does not know.

Councilmember Johnson suggested changing the meeting frequency to quarterly.

Councilmember Tam stated quarterly meetings could result in two meetings per year since the Commission does not meet during the summer.

Councilmember Johnson moved approval of the staff recommendation [adoption of the resolution and introduction of the ordinance], with [amending the ordinance] to leave out the nomination process and leave the Recreation and Park Commission as it is; and try to get a more formalized attendance policy.

The motion failed due to a lack of second.

Mayor Gilmore stated changing the names of the boards [Pension Board and Housing and Building Code Hearing and Appeal Board] that should be commissions was discussed; suggested said change be included a motion.

Vice Mayor Bonta stated that he agrees with Councilmember Tam about the Recreation and Park Commission, but he would like to hear from the Commission itself to have data and input.

Councilmember Tam suggested the process be bifurcated; moved adoption of the resolution.

Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote – 5.

Councilmember Tam moved introduction of the ordinance with the following: 1) changing the names of the boards that were inappropriately named boards [Pension Board and Housing and Building Code Hearing and Appeals Board] to commission; 2) going forward with the staff recommendation, which does not include the Recreation and Park Commission [membership reduction]; stated that she understands the Commission came to Council; however, Council wants to formally know if the Commission feels the most effective way to provide input to the Council is as a body of five versus seven; that she would table said discussion; and 3) direct staff to move forward with trying to find a way to standardize the roles, responsibilities and duties of the Boards and Commissions, including and up to a review of members' obligations to serve; stated clearly, the requirement would not be like the Charter requirement that Councilmembers automatically forfeits their office after three unexcused absences in a row; and 4) taking out the inconsistency between Charter and non-Charter appointments and nominations, which is to not move forward with the staff recommendation on having a Councilmember nominate a commissioner if the Mayor leaves a vacancy for 60 days.

Vice Mayor Bonta inquired whether the motion is to remove [staff report] recommendation 10 [allow for a Councilmember to nominate a board of commission member if the Mayor has not done so after 60 days of the vacancy], to which Councilmember Tam responded in the affirmative.

Councilmember Johnson inquired whether the motion is to have staff come up with standardized procedures for boards and commissions.

Councilmember Tam responded said issue is already included in [staff report] recommendation 13 [provide basic information for participation, such as how to use a speaker's card at formal meetings like City Council]; however, she was trying to amplify, clarify and synthesize the comments made by Councilmembers Johnson and deHaan.

Councilmember deHaan inquired whether the Recreation and Park Commission was held for further discussion, to which Councilmember Tam responded in the affirmative; stated feedback should be in the form a letter to the Mayor with a copy to the Council from the Chair of the Commission after the Commission has vetted the membership size at a public Commission meeting.

Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote – 5.

(12-178) Introduction of Ordinance Extending the Agreement Between the City of Alameda and Waste Management of Alameda County Inc. for Solid Waste Disposal Services for a Five-Year Period, Until September 30, 2017. Introduced.

The Public Works Director gave a brief presentation.

Councilmember Johnson inquired whether the price is per ton or an annual amount, to which the Public Works Director responded other than the tipping fee, the price is per ton.

Councilmember Johnson inquired whether costs would go down as the City decreases the amount of waste put in the landfill, to which the Public Works Director responded the total fee would decrease.

Councilmember deHaan inquired when the contract was last modified, to which the Public Works Director responded 10 years ago.

Councilmember Tam moved approval of the staff recommendation [introduction of the ordinance].

Vice Mayor Bonta seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote – 5.

#### CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

(12-179) The City Manager announced: 1) that a Golf Commission meeting would be held April 24<sup>th</sup> at Washington Park to consider the two proposals; 2) the Council would hold a budget meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup>; 3) that he met with the Golf Commission to discuss the lease with Jim's on the Course; the Commission unanimously supports the lease; 4) evaluations of management staff would commence on July 1<sup>st</sup>; and 5) the City's administrative practice is to provide responses in one day; encouraged residents to

contact the City Manager's office if timely responses are not being provided.

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, NON-AGENDA

None.

#### COUNCIL REFERRALS

None.

#### COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

(12-180) Councilmember deHaan stated that he prepared more information on Measure C; he further broke down vehicle replacement; provided information to the City Manager, City Attorney and Mayor for review and comments. [Note: The document was not made part of the record since it was not distributed to the entire City Council.]

#### ADJOURNMENT

(12-181) There being no further business, Mayor Gilmore adjourned the meeting at 10:17 p.m. in a moment of silence in memory of Retired Fire Chief Ernest Servente.

Respectfully submitted,

Lara Weisiger  
City Clerk

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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY- -APRIL 17, 2012- -6:00 P.M.

Mayor Gilmore convened the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Roll Call – Present: Councilmembers Bonta, deHaan, Johnson, Tam and Mayor Gilmore – 5.

[Note: Vice Mayor Bonta arrived at 6:10 p.m.]

Absent: None.

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session to consider:

(12-161) Conference with Labor Negotiators (54957.6); Agency Negotiators: Councilmembers deHaan and Johnson; Unrepresented Employee: City Clerk; Anticipated Issues: All (Wages, Hours, Benefits, and Working Conditions).

Following the Closed Session, the meeting was reconvened and Mayor Gilmore announced that Council discussed compensation and benefits for the City Clerk and gave direction to staff and the Council's negotiating committee.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Gilmore adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lara Weisiger  
City Clerk

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