

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY- -JUNE 4, 2013- -7:00 P.M.

Mayor Gilmore convened the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

ROLL CALL - Present: Councilmembers Chen, Daysog, Ezzy Ashcraft, Tam and Mayor Gilmore – 5.

Absent: None.

AGENDA CHANGES

(13-274) Mayor Gilmore announced that the Public Hearing to receive comments on the Draft Sustainable Communities Environmental Impact Report [paragraph no. 13-282] would be continued to July 2, 2013.

PROCLAMATIONS, SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(13-275) Proclamation Declaring June 12, 2013 as Philippine Independence Day.

Mayor Gilmore read and presented the proclamation to Max Baylosis and Bernadette Roco.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, NON-AGENDA

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Gilmore announced that the resolution in support of California Homes and Jobs Act of 2013 [paragraph no. 13-280] was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

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

Councilmember Chen seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote – 5. [Items so enacted or adopted are indicated by an asterisk preceding the paragraph number.]

(\*13-276) Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting Held on April 18, 2013; and the Special and Regular City Council Meetings Held on May 7, 2013. Approved.

(\*13-277) Ratified bills in the amount of \$2,232,497.74.

(\*13-278) Recommendation to Adopt Plans and Specifications and Authorize a Call for Bids for the “Group 1 – Sewerage Pump Station Renovations for Reliability and Safety

Improvements” Project. No. P.W. 04-13-11. Accepted.

(\*13-279) Recommendation to Authorize the Purchase of a Portable Self-Priming Centrifugal Pump in the Amount of \$77,448 and Authorize the City Manager to Execute All Necessary Documents. Accepted.

(13-280) Resolution No. 14814, “In Support of California Homes and Jobs Act of 2013 (Senate Bill 391).” Adopted.

Vice Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft stated that she supports Senate Bill 391 because it will generate an average of \$500 million annually and create a fund for affordable housing projects; further stated that Assembly Member Bonta supports the measure; the bill author, Senator DeSaulnier, believes the City of Alameda’s support would strengthen the Bill’s chance of passage.

Vice Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft moved adoption of the resolution.

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

#### REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

(13-281) Resolution No. 14815, “Confirming Business Improvement Area (BIA) Report for Fiscal Year 2013-14 and Levying an Annual Assessment on the Park Street Business Improvement Area of the City of Alameda for Fiscal Year 2013-14.” Adopted.

The Economic Development Manager gave a Power Point presentation.

Spoke in opposition to the BIA fee: Michael Torres, Alameda.

Provided suggestion to amend the program: Jon Spangler, Alameda.

Vice Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft thanked the Economic Development Manager for clarifying the items that she inquired about at the previous meeting.

Councilmember Tam inquired if Park Street Business Association (PSBA) members have access to compilation financial reports and the full audit upon request.

Robb Ratto, PSBA, responded in the affirmative; stated financial documents are open to any PSBA member; transparency and openness would be addressed and included in the PSBA Bylaws.

Councilmember Tam inquired if a member of the public could see the financial documents.

Mr. Ratto responded in the affirmative; stated a member of the public has not requested to see PSBA documents, but that they are available to anyone upon request.

Councilmember Tam inquired if the PSBA documents are available on a website.

Mr. Ratto responded in the negative; stated the PSBA financials, audit report, and compilation report are part of the City Council public record.

The City Manager noted that the PSBA reports before the Council are published on the City's website.

Councilmember Daysog moved adoption of the resolution.

Councilmember Tam seconded the motion, which carried by the following voice vote:  
Ayes: Councilmembers Daysog, Ezzy Ashcraft, Tam and Mayor Gilmore – 4.  
Abstention: Councilmember Chen – 1.

(13-282) Public Hearing to Receive Comments on Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)/Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Draft Sustainable Communities Environmental Impact Report. **Continued to July 2, 2013.**

#### CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

(13-283) The City Manager announced that the Alameda Free Library is forgiving library fines in exchange for Alameda Food Bank donations, June 8 to July 8; invited the public to attend the Alameda Police Officer's Memorial dedication on June 11; Conveyance Ceremony would be held on June 24<sup>th</sup> to mark the transfer of the overwhelming majority of the parcels at the former Naval Air Station.

Mayor Gilmore noted that Alameda received some nice press coverage on the matter today; stated the Chief Operating Officer-Alameda Point was interviewed and did an excellent job explaining how important today is for the community of Alameda.

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, NON-AGENDA

None.

#### COUNCIL REFERRALS

(13-284) Consideration of a Resolution in Support of Assembly Bill 1324 regarding a Vehicle Registration Fee Surcharge.

Councilmember Chen stated Assembly Bill 1324 put forth by Assembly Member Bonta and co-sponsored by Assembly Member Skinner, raises vehicle registration fees by one dollar to help combat the growing problem of car theft in Alameda County; Southern California counties have passed the same measure and have raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to hire additional police and California Highway Patrol officers

dedicated to vehicle theft; 2011-12 Alameda County statistics indicate there was an increase of 17% in vehicle theft.

Provided background information on the bill and urged adoption of the resolution: Jim Oddie, Assembly Member Bonta's District Director.

Councilmember Daysog stated that he supports the legislation; in 2009, his girlfriend's car was stolen from the front of the house; the legislation is needed.

Mr. Oddie noted one out of seven vehicles stolen last year were recovered by the Task Force; the pace is being surpassed this year.

Councilmember Chen noted even though 274 vehicles were stolen in the City out of 12,600 in the County, Alamedans could have vehicles stolen outside the City.

Mr. Oddie concurred with Councilmember Chen; stated Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) reported 426 stolen vehicles.

Councilmember Tam inquired if staff has had the opportunity to review the legislation to come up with an assessment.

The Assistant City Manager responded in the negative; stated the matter should be brought back.

Mayor Gilmore inquired whether the process for a Council referral was that the Council would make a motion to have staff review the issue and bring it back on the next agenda.

The City Clerk responded said process is how referrals have been done in recent history.

Mayor Gilmore inquired the status and timing on the Bill.

Mr. Oddie responded the Bill has passed the Assembly and is currently in the Senate; there is time.

Mayor Gilmore stated Council should stick to the process.

Councilmember Chen concurred with Mayor Gilmore; stated staff should review the legislation and come back with a recommendation to the Council.

Councilmember Tam moved approval of staff reviewing the resolution with the Council consensus of supporting AB1324, make any adjustments and bring it to the next possible meeting.

Councilmember Chen seconded the motion.

Mayor Gilmore inquired about timing.

The City Manager stated the next feasible meeting would be July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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

#### COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

(13-285) Consideration of Mayor's Nominations to the Civil Service Board, Commission on Disability Issues, Historical Advisory Board, Library Board, Planning Board, Public Utilities Board, Social Service Human Relations Board, and Youth Advisory Commission.

Mayor Gilmore nominated Zara Santos to the Civil Service Board; Nielsen Tam, Ethel Warren and Wendy Wilkinson to the Civil Service Board; Donna Rauk to the Historical Advisory Board; Nancy Lewis and Suzanne Whyte to the Library Board, John Knox White and Lorre Zuppan to the Planning Board; Ann McCormick to the Public Utilities Board; Nicole Blake to the Social Service Human Relations Board; and Sonia Xu to the Youth Advisory Commission.

(13-286) Vice Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft stated that she attended a Resources for Community Development (RCD) Award Ceremony; thanked staff and the Housing Authority for partnering with RCD on the Park Alameda development, Shinsei Gardens and Breakers at Bayport.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Gilmore adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lara Weisiger  
City Clerk

The agenda for this meeting was posted in accordance with the Sunshine Ordinance.

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY- -JUNE 4, 2013- -6:00 P.M.

Mayor Gilmore convened the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call – Present: Councilmembers Chen, Daysog, Ezzy Ashcraft, Tam and Mayor Gilmore – 5.

[Note: Councilmember Chen arrived at 6:03 p.m. and Councilmember Daysog arrived at 6:15 p.m.]

Absent: None.

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session to consider:

(13-272) Public Employee Performance Evaluation (54957); Title and name: City Manager John Russo

(13-273) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation; (54956.9); Name of case: City of Alameda v. GRM Information Management Services; Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG12660417. **Not heard.**

\* \* \*

Mayor Gilmore called a recess to hold the regular meeting at 7:07 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

\* \* \*

Following the Closed Session the meeting was reconvened and Mayor Gilmore announced that regarding Performance Evaluation, Mayor Gilmore announced that the item would be continued to June 11th.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Gilmore adjourned the meeting at 10:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lara Weisiger  
City Clerk

The agenda for this meeting was posted in accordance with the Sunshine Ordinance.