

JOINT STUDY SESSION OF THE CITY
COUNCIL AND THE COMMUNITY
SERVICES COMMISSION AND
REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE
CONCORD CITY COUNCIL AND
THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
1950 PARKSIDE DRIVE
CONCORD, CALIFORNIA
MARCH 9, 2010

The Concord City Council and Community Services Commission convened in a joint study session at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 9, 2010, with Mayor Bjerke presiding. All Councilmembers were present with Councilmember Hoffmeister arriving at 5:44 p.m. and Councilmember Peterson arriving at 5:47 p.m. Minutes follow in abbreviated form per Resolution 3361 and Council Minutes of September 26, 1966.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Helen Allen, Laura Hoffmeister, Mark Peterson,
William Shinn, Guy Bjerke

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: None

COMMUNITY SERVICES

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Jack Thomson, Norm Freitas, Kurt Brogger, Donna
Lawson, Jeanette Green, Devlyn Sewell, Carlos
Balladeres, Grace Hernandez, Mark Weinmann

STAFF PRESENT: Daniel E. Keen, City Manager; Craig Labadie, City
Attorney; Valerie Barone, Assistant City Manager; Mary
Rae Lehman, City Clerk; Joan Carrico, Director of
Community and Recreation Services; Marla Parada,
Community Services Program Manager; Teri House,
Former Community Services Manager

MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE

WHO ADDRESSED COUNCIL: Viola Lujan, Concord; Soren Tjernell, Richmond

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: None

REVIEW OF FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN – Funding Priorities

Following an introduction of the members of the Community Services Commission (CSC) by Jack Thomson, Chairman Community Grants Manager Marla Parada presented a report, referring to her memorandum dated March 9, 2010, advising that the Consolidated Plan outlines priority housing and community development needs of the Concord community, as well as the objectives and strategies for meeting those needs. She stated that the draft five-year Consolidated Plan covered Fiscal Years 2010-2015 and would be used to determine funding priorities for Concord Community Development Block Grant fund allocations, Child Care Development Fee allocation, and City of Concord General Funds allocations for public services. She also advised that due to the ongoing budget crisis, the General Fund contribution will end in

FY 2010-11; but that after surveying agency needs, staff was recommending that the allocation be spread across a two-year cycle. She continued by sharing that a major focus of the Consolidated Plan is affordable housing for lower-income households and persons with special needs and outlined the process for identifying Concord’s needs and prioritizing them for funding. In conclusion the City Council was presented with a table of Grant Funding availabilities and shared that the CSC would be deliberating to draft funding recommendations focusing allocations on public services.

Mayor Bjerke opened a public comment period.

Soren Tjernall, representing Community Clinic Consortium in Richmond, expressed concern that the categories of health and economic development had not ranked higher on the lists and encouraged reconsideration.

Viola Lujan, representing La Clinica de La Raza in Concord, stated that her organization was seeking funding to construct a facility in Concord and that support of the request would provide construction jobs to local residents.

Mayor Bjerke closed the public comment period.

Donna Lawson, member of the CSC, advised that 48 applications with financial requests totaling \$1,484,810 had been received. She advised that the City anticipates \$1,163,039 in funding from all sources in 2010-11.

During her presentation Ms. Lawson advised that she would be leaving the CSC. The City Council members extended their appreciation for her years of service.

RECESS – at 6:37 p.m. to reconvene as the Joint City Council and Redevelopment Agency.

The Concord City Council and Redevelopment Agency reconvened in a regular joint session at 6:45 p.m. with Mayor Bjerke presiding. All Councilmembers were present and the pledge to the flag was led by Vice Mayor Allen. Minutes follow in abbreviated form per Resolution 3361 and Council Minutes of September 26, 1966.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Helen Allen, Laura Hoffmeister, Mark Peterson, William Shinn, Guy Bjerke

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Daniel E. Keen, City Manager; Craig Labadie, City Attorney; Valerie Barone, Assistant City Manager; Mary Rae Lehman, City Clerk; Joan Carrico, Director of Community and Recreation Services; Marla Parada, Community Services Program Manager; Teri House, Former Community Services Manager; Alex Pascual, Director of Public Works and Engineering; Kathy Ito, Director of Human Resources; Ron Puccinelli, Director of Information Technology

MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE

WHO ADDRESSED COUNCIL: Martin Faunce, Concord; Paul Choisser, Concord; Paul Poston, Concord

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Martin Faunce, Concord, expressed his disappointment in the services provided by our Neighborhood Services Division.

Paul Choisser, Concord, commented on the Reuse Project and the future General Plan Amendment.

Paul Poston, Concord, complimented the Public Works and Engineering staff for the improvements performed to the landscaping and general area of Olivera and Highway 242. He also expressed his disappointment over the lack of public input into the Reuse Project redesignation of the low density housing area south of Highway 4.

PRESENTATION – American Red Cross

Mayor Bjerke made a presentation to Emily Hopkins, representing the Contra Costa County Leadership Council of the American Red Cross Bay Area Chapter, proclaiming March 2010 as *American Red Cross Month* in the City of Concord.

PRESENTATION – Mt. Diablo Red Devil Wrestling Team

Mayor Bjerke made a presentation to Coach Tony Darone of the Mt. Diablo Red Devils Wrestling Team who assisted Mayor Bjerke in presenting certificates to team members Milton Nkunku, Devonte Hill; Jhonas DeSousa; Eric Molina; Matt Morrow and Araceli Montoya commending them for their outstanding performances at the North Coast Section Tournament.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Bjerke reminded the audience of the final *Living Within Our Means* workshop scheduled for March 16, 2010.

CITY COUNCIL
MATTERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Allen and seconded by Shinn to approve the minutes for the meeting held February 23, 2010. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 10-18 – Citizen's Option for Public Safety Grant

Motion was made by Allen and seconded by Shinn to adopt Resolution No. 10-18, entitled "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SUPPLEMENTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES FUND (SLESF) UTILIZING FUNDS FROM THE CITIZEN'S OPTIONS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY GRANT FOR THE 2009-10 FISCAL YEAR" in the estimated amount of \$100,000 to be used for front line municipal police services. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT BY COMMISSION ON AGING – Contra Costa County Advisory Council on Aging Representative.

Motion was made by Allen and seconded by Shinn to confirm the Commission on Aging's recommendation to the Board of Supervisors that Charles Hester serve as the City's representative on the Contra Costa County Advisory Council on Aging. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

AGREEMENT WITH CHEVRON ENERGY SOLUTIONS – Energy Audit

Staff requested the item be continued to April 13, 2010 to allow time to finalize the Energy Audit Agreement with Chevron Energy Solutions as an Energy Service Company (ESCO) to perform an audit of the energy usage in the City's facilities with the intent of having Chevron implement selected Energy Conservation Measures through a separate Energy Services Agreement (ESA). Payment of the energy audit cost of \$140,000 to Chevron will be incorporated into the ESA and will come from the City's energy savings, which Chevron will guarantee as part of the ESA. This item was carried forward from the meeting of February 23, 2010.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-4735.1 – Local 29 Side Letter of Agreement forming an Agency Shop

Motion was made by Allen and seconded by Shinn to adopt Resolution No. 10-4735.1, entitled "A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SIDE LETTER REGARDING "AGENCY SHOP" AMENDING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CONCORD AND OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION (OPEIU) LOCAL 29." Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

AGREEMENT AMENDMENT WITH ASTRO BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY – Desktop Printers

Motion was made by Allen and seconded by Shinn to approve an amendment to the contract with Astro Business Technology to add a Printer Management Service program covering the city's black and white desktop printers at a cost of \$0.018 per image (an estimated annual cost of \$13,000); and to authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

APPOINTMENTS TO PLANNING COMMISSION

Mayor Bjerke gave a brief report and announced that the Council would ballot for the appointment of two applicants. Following one round of balloting, Incumbent Gene Sylls and applicant John Mercurio were appointed to two-year terms ending February 28, 2012. Motion was made by Shinn and seconded by Allen to confirm the appointments. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

APPOINTMENTS TO DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

Following a report from Councilmember Peterson, Chair of the Council Committee on Housing and Economic Development, motion was made by Peterson and seconded by Bjerke to reappoint incumbents Jack Moore and Ernesto Avila to the Concord Design Review Board for two-year terms ending February 28, 2012. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

APPOINTMENTS TO PERSONNEL BOARD

Following a report from Mayor Bjerke, Chair of the Council Committee on Policy Development and Internal Operations, motion was made by Bjerke and seconded by Allen to reappoint incumbents Randy Horton and Christie Turner to the Personnel Board for two-year terms ending February 28, 2012. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the Council.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Memo dated March 9, 2010 continuing the request for Approval of an Energy Audit Agreement with Chevron, Item 3.d.
- b) Summary of La Clinica de La Raza business structure submitted by Soren Tjernell.
- c) Revised Exhibit B – Housing Table associated with the Study Session.

COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS

- a) East Bay League Meeting in Dublin attended by Councilmember Shinn on 2/18.
- b) Monument Business Alliance in Concord attended by Mayor Bjerke on 2/19.
- c) Presidential Service Awards in Concord attended by Mayor Bjerke on 2/25.
- d) Black Families Association Dinner in Walnut Creek attended by Mayor Bjerke, Councilmember Hoffmeister and Councilmember Shinn on 2/27.

By order of the Chair, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

GUY S. BJERKE
MAYOR/AGENCYMEMBER

MARK A. PETERSON
COUNCILMEMBER/AGENCY CHAIR

MARY RAE LEHMAN, CMC
CITY CLERK/AGENCY SECRETARY