

MINUTES

CITY OF ARTESIA
ARTESIA CITY HALL, ARTESIA COUNCIL CHAMBER
18747 CLARKDALE AVENUE, ARTESIA, CA 90701

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF
THE ARTESIA CITY COUNCIL AND ARTESIA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY,

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2009

6:30 P.M.

The special joint meeting of the Artesia City Council and Redevelopment Agency, was called to order at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 29, 2009, in the Artesia City Council Chamber by Mayor/Chairperson Flowers. The Invocation was led by Council member John Martins. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council member Larry R. Nelson.

ROLL CALL- PRESENT: Larry R. Nelson, Council Member/Board member
John Martins, Council Member/Board member
Tony Lima, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman
Sally Flowers, Mayor/Chairperson

ABSENT: Victor Manalo, Council Member/Board member

ALSO PRESENT: Maria Dadian, City Manager/Executive Director
Justine Menzel, Deputy City Manager/Finance Officer
Gloria Considine, Interim City Clerk/Agency Secretary
Kevin Ennis, City Attorney/General Counsel

Council member Manalo was absent during roll call but arrived for the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Martins, seconded by Council Member Nelson, to approve agenda.

Said motion carries in the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Nelson, Martins, Lima and Flowers
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Manalo

ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING SPEAKER CARDS

Anyone wishing to speak to the City Council/Redevelopment Agency should fill out a speaker card and give that card to the City Clerk/Agency Secretary at the staff table prior to the commencement of the meeting. Please observe a time limit of three (3) minutes when giving your presentation.

Gloria Considine, Interim City Clerk presented the announcement regarding speaker cards.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

This time has been set aside for members of the public to address the Council members/Board members on items that are not already listed on the agenda. Any public comments that cannot be heard within the next 20 minutes will be heard at the end of the meeting.

Gloria Considine, Interim City Clerk presented information regarding citizen comments on items not on the agenda.

There were no citizen comments.

BUSINESS PRESENTATION(S)

1. MID YEAR 50TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT UPDATES

Clayt Iske, Parks and Recreation Director presented an update on the Mid Year 50th Anniversary event. He presented information regarding the Jubilee Dinner on February 27, 2009.

Mayor Pro Tem Lima inquired if service organizations were invited to the Jubilee Dinner.

Clayt Iske, Parks and Recreation Director replied that invitations were sent to the attention of the president of each service organization.

Mayor Flowers inquired as to how many people would be seated at a table and are tickets being sold by the table.

Clayt Iske replied ten people to a table and the cost for a table is \$750.

Council Member Martins inquired if former Mayors would be introduced at the dinner.

Clayt Iske replied by saying yes.

Maria Dadian, City Manager replied that former Mayors were contacted and that they were unable to locate Mr. Van Horn. She said also former City Managers and Parks and Recreation directors were invited as well. She said it was the intention to recognize those who contributed to the development and history of the community.

Council Member Martins inquired if there would be a head table.

Clayt Iske, Parks and Recreation Director replied by saying no hoping it would be more of a social event.

Council Member Martins inquired if there would be a master of ceremony.

Clayt Iske, Parks and Recreation Director replied that he would unless someone else was interested in doing it.

Council Member Martins stated that he would be nice to have someone from the outside as master of ceremony.

Mayor Flowers stated that she thought the City Council should be involved in the Jubilee Dinner. She inquired if Council Member Martins would be interested in master of ceremony.

Council Member Manalo inquired if there was an actual program.

Clayt Iske, Parks and Recreation Director replied that they were currently developing the program.

Mayor Flowers inquired if Council member Martins was interested in being master of ceremony at the Jubilee Dinner.

Council Member Martins stated that he would be happy to be master of ceremony at the Jubilee Dinner.

Mayor Flowers inquired if each council member could donate an auction item for silent auction.

Clayt Iske, Parks and Recreation Director presented information regarding the golf tournament on March 20, 2009.

Council member Martins stated that a goodie bag should be presented to each participant at the golf tournament. He gave some suggestions for items to be included in the bag.

Mayor Flowers stated that Consolidated Disposal and utility companies donate items with their name imprinted on it.

Council member Manalo inquired if there was a flyer for the golf tournament and if it could be emailed to each council member for distributing.

Clayt Iske, Parks and Recreation Director replied by saying there was a flyer and he would forward it to the city council. He presented information about the community 50th birthday celebration on May 29, 2009.

Maria Dadian, City Manager stated that Supervisor Don Knabe's office donated \$5000 towards the 50th Celebration. She said Consolidated Disposal has also committed to serving as a sponsor with the programs.

Council member Nelson stated that his company would bring the ponies and ferris wheel at no cost to the city by donating five hours for the birthday celebration.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It is recommended that Items 2 through 3 be acted on simultaneously in one vote unless a member of the City Council/Redevelopment Agency requests separate discussion and/or action on the item. In the event a City Council/Redevelopment Agency requests separate discussion on a consent calendar, the City Council/Redevelopment Agency will consider that item immediately following approval of the rest of the consent calendar.

2. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL/ REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion by Council member/Board member Nelson, seconded by Council member/Board member Manalo to approve consent calendar item 2 with exception of Item 3.

Said motion carries in the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: Nelson, Martins, Manalo,
Lima and Flowers
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: None

3. A REPORT RELATIVE TO THE AUDIT OF FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008 AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Justine Menzel, Deputy City Manager presented the staff report for this item.

Pete Schnauer of ASFME stated that cooperation received from this city is top of the line. He presented information regarding LAIF money.

There was discussion regarding auditors report, tax increment payments and internal control policies.

Motion by Council member/Board member Nelson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Lima to approve audit of fiscal year 2007.2008 and financial statements.

Said motion carries in the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: Nelson, Martins, Manalo,
Lima and Flowers
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: None

STAFF REPORTS

4. FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009 MIDYEAR BUDGET REVIEW

Justine Menzel, Deputy City Manager presented the staff report for this item. She requested direction for proposals requested and affirm fiscal actions from previous City Council meetings.

Discussion regarding general fund revenue maneuvering and possible options to cut expenses and generate more revenue.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem/ Vice Chairman Lim , seconded by Council member/Board member Nelson to approve fiscal year 2008-2009 Mid Year Budget.

Said motion carries in the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: Nelson, Martins, Manalo,
Lima and Flowers
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS/BOARDMEMBERS: None

5. 2009-2010 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UPDATE

Maria Dadian, City Manager presented the staff report for this item.

Informational report, no action taken.

Mayor Flowers requested that closed session be moved prior to Item 6 because she would be leaving meeting early.

The City Council convened into closed session at 8:15 p.m.

The City Council reconvened from closed session at 8:27 p.m.

7 – CLOSED SESSION

- A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)
Title: City Manager
Continued to the Special Meeting of February 9, 2009
- B. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT APPOINTMENT
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)
Title: City Clerk
Gloria Considine appointed City Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor Flowers excused herself from the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

6. UPDATE OF CURRENT AND PROPOSED APPLICATION AND USER FEES CHARGED BY THE CITY OF ARTESIA

Justine Menzel, Deputy City Manager presented the staff report for this item.

Report was received and filed.

ADDITIONAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no additional citizen comments.

COUNCILMEMBER/BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Council member Martins apologized for missing the Strategic Planning Retreat. He stated that dignitaries from Portugal would be in the city on February 9th and would like them acknowledged at the City Council meeting.

Council member Nelson requested that the topic of City Council reorganization be on the February 9, 2009 agenda.

Council member Manalo inquired if the city had an ordinance in place regarding leaving trash cans on the street during street sweeping days. He inquired about the final approval date for the budget.

Mayor Pro Tem Lima presented information regarding problems with water pressure on Jersey Avenue.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Attest:

Gloria Considine, City Clerk

I, Gloria Considine, City Clerk of the City of Artesia, do hereby certify that the following minutes of the Special Meeting of January 29, 2009 were approved at the Regular City Council meeting held March 9, 2009, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Nelson, Martins, Manalo, Lima and Flowers
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

Gloria Considine, City Clerk

