

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,

MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2009

6:11 P.M.

The special joint meeting of the Artesia City Council and Redevelopment Agency was called to order at 6:11 p.m. on March 23, 2009, in the Artesia City Council Chamber by Mayor/Chairperson Flowers. The Invocation was presented by Mayor/Chairperson Sally Flowers and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member John Martins.

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, City Clerk/Agency Secretary
Kevin Ennis, City Attorney/General Counsel

Council member Manalo was absent during roll call and arrived for the meeting at 6:17 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Nelson seconded by Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman 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 Councilmembers/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, City Clerk presented information regarding citizen comments on items not on the agenda.

Dody Bedingfield of La Belle Chateau stated that she was representing the people from La Belle Chateau requesting pavement of South Street. She said the street was a hazard because of the pot holes.

Maria Dadian, City Manager presented information regarding plans for pavement for South Street.

PRESENTATION

1. THE ARTESIA DOWNTOWN REVITATIZATION PROJECT FINAL CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

Presentation by William Kelly, Managing Principal for Urban Futures on the Artesia Downtown Revitatzation Project Final Conceptual Design.

Motion by Board member Martins, seconded by Council member Manalo to approve conceptual plan for revitalization project for downtown.

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

2. REQUEST FOR LETTER OF SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 155 (MENDOZA) RELATING TO MUNICIPAL BANKRUPTCY

Motion by Board member Nelson, seconded by Council member Manalo to take no action on letter of support of Assembly Bill 1`55.

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

1. REVENUE ENHANCEMENT PROPOSAL AND COST CUTTING MEASURE PROPOSALS

Justine Menzel, Deputy City Manager presented the ten year fund balance history and user fee report.

Maria Dadian, City Manager presented cost cutting proposals that were reviewed by the ad hoc committee and revenue resources suggested by staff and the city attorney.

Kevin Ennis, City Attorney presented possible revenue enhancement options.

Discussion regarding re-evaluating fees for consultants and lobbyist fees, possible tax recovery, community events costs, furloughs, reduce travel cost, Milk Producers audit, parking stations.

Motion by Board member Martins, seconded by Council member Nelson to approve presentation with direction for ad hoc committee to review cost cutting measures and revenue enhancements and present findings as special city council meeting.

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

4. DISCUSSION 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.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Lima, seconded by Council member Nelson to approve \$10.00 fee for passport photos and rest of items to be reviewed by ad hoc committee.

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. PROPOSAL TO PREPARE COST ANALYSIS OF SPORTS FIELD LIGHTING

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

Motion by Council member Martins, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lima to continue item to negotiate cost with Munifinancial.

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

6. CONSIDERATION OF A PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

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

Motion by Council member Martins, seconded by Council member Nelson to continue item to the April 13th, 2009 City Council meeting with direction to staff to present options for used vehicle purchase and leasing.

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

7. DISCUSSION REGARDING 50TH ANNIVERSARY PROMOTIONAL PACKET

Item was continued to the April 13th, 2009 City Council to allow Council member Nelson to bring back samples of items for promotional packet.

ADDITIONAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no additional citizen comments.

COUNCILMEMBER/BOARD/AUTHORITY MEMBER COMMENTS

Council member Martins commented on the success of the golf tournament.

Council member Nelson stated that the golf tournament went well. He said that everyone did a great job.

Council member Manalo stated that the golf tournament went smooth. He commended staff and the sergeant. He said that he attended opening day for baseball and that there were more teams than previous years. He inquired about obtaining use of ball fields from the different ABC schools.

Mayor Pro Tem Lima stated that the golf tournament was great. He said that there was a lot of participation on opening day for baseball.

Mayor Flowers stated that the golf tournament was great. She said that there wasn't a division for the longest drive for women or closest to the pin. She said that she attended the RTA dinner. She suggested arranging involvement from organizations to help the city with different needs like graffiti removal.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.