

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

SPECIAL MEETING OF  
THE ARTESIA CITY COUNCIL AND  
ARTESIA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2009

6:00 P.M.

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The special meeting of the Artesia City Council and Redevelopment Agency was called to order at 6:05 p.m. Wednesday, July 1, 2009, in the Artesia City Council Chamber by Mayor/Chairperson Sally Flowers. The Invocation was led by Mayor/Chairperson Flowers. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council member/Board member John Martins.

**ROLL CALL- PRESENT:** Larry R. Nelson, Councilmember/Boardmember  
John Martins, Councilmember/Boardmember  
Victor Manalo, Council member/Boardmember  
Tony Lima, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman  
Sally Flowers, Mayor/Chairperson

**ALSO PRESENT:** Maria Dadian, City Manager/  
Justine Menzel, Deputy City Manager  
Gloria Considine, City Clerk/Secretary  
Kevin Ennis, City Attorney

Council member/Board member Nelson arrived for the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Gabriel Tang of Caprocci introduced himself and requested scheduling an appointment with the City Council to discuss issues.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Council Member Manalo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lima, to approve agenda.

Said motion carries in the following roll call vote:

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

**ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING SPEAKER CARDS**

Announcement presented by the City Clerk.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

There were no citizen comments.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**1. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS RELATED TO SUBMITTAL TO VOTERS OF PROPOSAL TO INCREASE TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX (TOT) RATE FROM SIX PERCENT (6%) TO TWELVE AND ONE HALF PERCENT (12.5%)**

**AND**

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-2151**

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Artesia, California Ordering that a Measure to Increase the Transient Occupancy Tax Rate from Six Percent (6%) to Twelve and One Half Percent (12.5%) be Submitted to the Voters, Requesting Consolidation of the Regular Election of the ABC Unified School District and the Cerritos Community College District to be Held on November 3, 2009 with Election on this Measure, and Requesting the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters to Perform Certain Related Services in Connection with the Consolidated Election.

**(ADOPTION)**

**AND**

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-2152**

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Artesia Setting Priorities for Filing a Written Argument Regarding a Measure to Increase the Transient Occupancy Tax Rate from Six Percent (6%) to Twelve and One Half Percent (12.5%) and Directing the City Attorney to Prepare an Impartial Analysis Regarding the Measure.

**(ADOPTION)**

**AND**

**ORDINANCE NO. 09-749**

An Ordinance of the City of Artesia Increasing the Transient Occupancy Tax from Six Percent (6%) to Twelve and One Half Percent (12.5%) and Amending the Artesia Municipal Code.

**(TO BE ADOPTED BY THE VOTERS)**

Kevin Ennis, City Attorney presented the staff report for this item.

Motion by Council Member Nelson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lima, to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 09-2151 as read by title.

Said motion carries in the following roll call vote:

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

Motion by Council Member Manalo, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 09-2152 as read by title.

Said motion carries in the following roll call vote:

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

**2. PROPOSED BALLOT MEASURE TO INCREASE BUSINESS LICENSE TAXES  
AND**

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-2153**

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Artesia, California Ordering that a Measure Increasing Business License Taxes be Submitted to the Voters, Requesting Consolidation of the Regular Election of the ABC Unified School District and the Cerritos Community College District to be Held on November 3, 2009 with the Election on this Measure, and Requesting the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters to Perform Certain Related Services in Connection with the Consolidated Election.

**(ADOPTION)**

**AND**

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-2154**

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Artesia Setting Priorities for Filing a Written Argument Regarding a Measure to Increase Business License Taxes and Directing the City Attorney to Prepare an Impartial Analysis Regarding the Same

**(ADOPTION)**

**AND**

**ORDINANCE NO. 09-750**

An Ordinance of the City of Artesia Increasing Business License Taxes and Amending the Artesia Municipal Code.

**(TO BE ADOPTED BY THE VOTERS)**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Lima, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 09-2153 as read by title and amended.

Said motion carries in the following roll call vote:

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

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Lima, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 09-2154 as read by title.

Said motion carries in the following roll call vote:

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

Revisions were made to Ordinance No. 09-750.

**3. RESOLUTION NO. 09-2155**

A Joint Resolution of the City Council of the City of Artesia and Artesia Redevelopment Agency Authorizing the City Attorney/Redevelopment Agency General Counsel to Cooperate with the League of California Cities, the California Redevelopment Association, other Cities and Counties in Litigation Challenging the Constitutionality of any Seizure by State Government of the City's Street Maintenance and Redevelopment Funds

**(ADOPTION)**

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

Motion by Council member Martins, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lima, to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 09-2155 as read by title.

Said motion carries in the following roll call vote:

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

**4. DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2009/2010 BUDGET**

- General/Dedicated Funds
- Restricted Funds
- Redevelopment Funds

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

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Lima, seconded by Councilmember Martins, to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 09-2159 as read by title.

Said motion carries in the following roll call vote:

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

**ADDITIONAL CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Vic Norcia inquired about the budget amount for the Christmas program.

**COUNCILMEMBER/BOARDMEMBER COMMENTS**

Councilmember Martins stated that he has an issue with window air conditioners in the front of the house and they should not be allowed. He said that it looks terrible with the plywood mounted around the conditioner. He suggested this issue be on a future agenda. He said that he would be attending the event in Portugal. He said they would also be choosing the person from Portugal who would be attending the event in October in Artesia.

Councilmember Manalo stated there had been an improvement at Artesia Boulevard and Pioneer Boulevard with traffic. He inquired as to what would come of the area by the left turn lane on Artesia Boulevard.

Mayor Flowers inquired if any of the City Council had heard anything about the City of Cerritos EPA issue.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

I, Gloria Considine, City Clerk of the City of Artesia, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were approved at a Special Meeting of the City Council held on the 12th day of August 2009, by the following roll call vote:

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

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GLORIA CONSIDINE, CITY CLERK