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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES, CALIFORNIA

November 10, 2009

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates was called to order this day at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall by Mayor Pro Tem Humphrey.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Councilmembers Bird, Rea, Goodhart, Mayor Pro Tem Humphrey

ABSENT: Mayor Perkins

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Hoefgen, City Attorney Pannone, Assistant City

Manager Smith, Public Works Director Rigg,

City Treasurer Sherwood, Minutes Secretary Monson

MAYOR'S REPORT – Matters of Community Interest

State Senator Roderick Wright (25th District) introduced himself to the Council and let them know he is available to help the Council if needed.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Councilmember Goodhart, seconded by Councilmember Bird and unanimously approved that the following Consent Agenda items be approved:

- MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 27, 2009
- CITY TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT SEPTEMBER 2009
- CITY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY INTEREST REPORT JULY-SEPTEMBER 2009
- MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT OCTOBER 2009
- R09-34; AMENDING THE FY 2009-10 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS FOR A PART-TIME EQUIPMENT MECHANIC
- APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF TORRANCE TO PERMIT THE EXCHANGE OF \$100,000 OF PROPOSITION A TRANSIT FUNDS IN RETURN FOR UNRESTRICTED GENERAL FUND REVENUE AT 70 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR
- ACCEPT AS COMPLETE THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT PW-558-09; FY 2009-10 SLURRY SEAL PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$156,045.46; AND DIRECT THE CITY CLERK TO FILE THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION, AND RELEASE THE 10% RETENTION 30 DAYS AFTER THE COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE RECORDS THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION, IF NO STOP NOTICES ARE FILED
- ACCEPT AS COMPLETE THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT PW-559-09; FY2008-09 CURB AND GUTTER REPLACEMENT PROJECT 2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,500; AND DIRECT THE CITY CLERK TO FILE THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION, AND RELEASE THE 10% RETENTION 30 DAYS AFTER THE COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE RECORDS THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION, IF NO STOP NOTICES ARE FILED

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

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Bruce Megowan, [PVE Resident], representing a group in support of construction of a dog park on the Peninsula, said that there is currently no place on the Peninsula to legally exercise dogs off of their leash. A dog park is a great opportunity for dogs and owners to socialize. He would like to promote the former PV Landfill site in RHE. He would like to see PVE work cooperatively with the other cities on the Peninsula to find an appropriate site for a dog park. He said he helped to collect over 800 signatures on a petition in support for a dog park. He asked that the item be agendized for a future Council meeting.

Councilmember Goodhart stated his support for placing the item on a future agenda.

Councilmember Bird thanked Bruce and Maureen Megowan for spearheading the effort for a Peninsula dog park.

NEW BUSINESS

PW-566-09; AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,476.50 TO FS CONSTRUCTION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE THORLEY PLACE STREET IMPROVEMENTS AND FY 2009-10 CURB AND GUTTER REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Public Works Director Allan Rigg reported the project was bid as a combined project for economy of scale savings purposes. The Thorley Place catchbasin requires replacing due to excessive flow and a high downstream point which cause flooding. At Avenida Mirola and Paseo del Mar the weathered cross-gutter will be replaced. An optional item is to re-do the catchbasin at 2112 Via Fernandez where the asphalt has settled around it. FS Construction has done similar projects for other cities with good reviews. It was noted that the name on the contract needed to be updated as the contractor is a sole proprietorship DBA FS Construction.

Councilmember Rea moved, it was seconded by Councilmember Bird, and unanimously approved to award a construction contract in the amount of \$26,476.50 to FS Construction for the construction of the Thorley Place Street Improvements and FY 2009-10 Curb and Gutter Replacement Project including alternative A1 and with the modification to the contractors name as suggested by the City Attorney.

REVIEW OF DISASTER SERVICE WORKER POLICY

This item was continued to the November 24, 2009 meeting.

STAFF REPORTS

City Manager's Report

City Manager Hoefgen advised there will be an article in the next City newsletter outlining the City's policy on flying the flag at half mast, the most recent occurrence being the Fort Hood incident and presidential directive to lower flags until Veterans' Day.

City Manager Hoefgen reported that the PVE CARES 4th Annual Health Fair, held November 6th, was a great success. He said 200 seasonal flu vaccinations were administered. He thanked the Police Department, staff, and the many volunteers for their excellent work.

DEMANDS

It was moved by Councilmember Bird and seconded by Councilmember Rea that the demands, as approved by a majority of the City Council, totaling \$205,735.42 be allowed and it was unanimously approved.

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It was moved by Councilmember Bird and seconded by Councilmember Rea that the demands, as approved by a majority of the City Council, No. 516395H to 516397H, 516398 to 516462 totaling \$86,924.04 be allowed and it was unanimously approved.

MAYOR & CITY COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

Councilmember Rea reported that he, Mayor Perkins, and City Manager Hoefgen held the Mayor's Community Forum on November 2nd. He said there were approximately nine attendees. The topics of discussion included: the City's new website, placement of 'decorative' boulders, trimming of trees, possible coordination of the City's and the Palos Verdes Homes Association's processes when planting trees that may have view impacts, and possibly having resident attorneys mediate at the Meet and Confer meetings during the Neighborhood Compatibility process. It was suggested that the topic of trees and views be discussed at the next Joint City Council/Planning Commission/PVHA meeting to be held in January 2010. He also suggested that the City offer a workshop each year explaining the City's planning processes.

Councilmember Rea reported on his attendance at the CJPIA Risk Management Conference in San Francisco. He asked that the City ask all parties that the City contracts with to list the City as an additional insured and obtain an electronic copy of the entire insurance policy.

Councilmember Goodhart reported on the Beach and Athletic Club Liaison meeting held on November 5th. Councilmember Rea and Assistant City Manager Smith were also in attendance at the meeting. He reported that the recreation room floor had been repaired and the wait list has been updated.

Mayor Pro Tem Humphrey, along with Mayor Perkins and City Manager Hoefgen, attended the Educator of the Year dinner held on November 4th at the PV Golf Club. She and City Manager Hoefgen attended the League of California Cities Legislative Reception in Los Angeles on November 5th. She also reported that PV Transit had purchased an additional CNG bus.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. to Tuesday, November 24th, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall. The meeting was adjourned in memory of John McTaggert a former City Councilmember of Rancho Palos Verdes.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

MICHÉLE D. MONSON, MINUTES SECRETARY

APPROVED:

ELLEN PERKINS, MAYOR