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

**November 9, 2010** 

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates was called to order this day at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall by Mayor Humphrey.

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

**Mayor Humphrey** 

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Hoefgen, City Attorney Hogin

**CLOSED SESSION:** Council recessed to Closed Session at 6:33 p.m.

# CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager Hoefgen

Employee Organization: Management and Confidential Employees

**RECONVENE:** Council reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Manager Hoefgen, City Attorney Hogin, Assistant City

Manager Smith, Police Chief Dreiling, Public Works Director Rigg,

City Treasurer Sherwood, Administrative Analyst Davis,

Minutes Secretary Monson

Mayor Humphrey announced there was no reportable action from the Closed Session.

# MAYOR'S REPORT – Matters of Community Interest

Mayor Humphrey reminded residents to shop locally on the Peninsula in support of the Chamber of Commerce's program "Local First."

Mayor Humphrey congratulated the Police Chief and the Police Department for a successful PVE CARES Senior Health Fair held on November 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Bird removed Item #2, Resolution R10-27 POA Meet and Confer Impasse.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rea, seconded by Councilmember Goodhart and unanimously approved that the following Consent Agenda items by approved:

- MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 26, 2010
- RESOLUTION R10-26 AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF OBSOLETE RECORDS OF THE CITY MANAGER, CITY CLERK, TREASURER, FINANCE AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTS

# ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION R10-27 UNILATERALLY RESOLVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 MEET AND CONFER IMPASSE BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE PALOS VERDES ESTATES POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

Councilmember Bird was in favor of the resolution and commented that he believes the PVE police officers are doing an outstanding job for the City and citizens. He wished that the economy was such that the Council could offer raises. He commended the police department personnel for the manner in which they approached the negotiations which speaks to their professionalism. The citizens appreciate the job that they are doing.

Mayor Humphrey said Councilmember Bird spoke for the entire Council.

It was moved by Councilmember Bird, seconded by Councilmember Perkins, and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution R10-27 unilaterally resolving the FY2010-11 Meet and Confer Impasse between the City and the Palos Verdes Estates Police Officers' Association.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC - none**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# PALOS VERDES TENNIS CLUB FY2011 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS

Assistant City Manager Smith reported that the Palos Verdes Tennis Club fiscal year begins on January 1<sup>st</sup>. The Board of Directors of the Club approved the budget at their October meeting and on October 25<sup>th</sup> Council Liaisons Bird and Goodhart met with Club representatives. The 2011 Operating Budget assumes membership of 387. The concession agreement allows maximum membership of 480 and when the membership drops below 400 active members the Club is allowed to admit non-residents with a maximum of 120 non-resident members. As of September 30<sup>th</sup> there were 295 active PVE resident members and 92 non-resident members. The 2011 budget estimates net income of \$670 with revenues of \$510,000 and expenses of \$509,460. The budget does not include a dues increase. The Club does have a healthy cash balance of over \$300,000. Given the difficult economy, the Club is reluctant to raise dues. For the Capital Budget, the Club anticipates a beginning balance of \$50,200

which excludes a reserve of \$40,000 that is set aside for a clubhouse roof replacement. The proposed Capital Budget assumes income of \$30,000 and expenditures of \$56,600 for an ending balance of \$23,600. The expenditures proposed for next year include court resurfacing, fence painting, and wind screen replacement. Manager Smith said there was extensive discussion related to new member recruitment at the Liaison meeting.

Tennis Club Manager John Hall gave a brief review of the amenities available at the Tennis Club including 12 courts, 10 of which are lit. There is a very active women's league, men's night tennis, a junior program, social events, a Pro Shop, a beautiful clubhouse, and newly remodeled locker rooms. The cost to join is a \$2,000 initiation fee and a \$65 per month dues payment. He offered free lessons to any resident interested in becoming a member. The Club has six certified tennis pros available for lessons.

Councilmember Goodhart complimented John Hall for his management of the Club. He said the facility is very unique and the maintenance is top-notch even during tough economic times. He said much time was spent during the Liaison meeting evaluating the various options the Directors implemented to recruit members, minimize costs and to provide an attractive environment for tennis players. He commended the Club for their efforts during these tough times.

Councilmember Perkins asked what sort of marketing the Club was doing. Mr. Hall said he sends welcome letters to new residents with gift certificates enclosed, he advertises through the Backpack flyer program (schools), and the City Newsletter. Councilmember Perkins suggested an Open House as that approach was successful for the PV Stables. She is concerned with the declining membership numbers and marketing is important. Mr. Hall said the Yonex tournaments attract new people to the Club.

Mayor Pro Tem Rea asked if Mr. Hall had contacted Terrenea resort for possible play from their resort guests. Mr. Hall had contacted Terrenea last year, but they have a contract with another Club that is closer and PV courts are usually full in the mornings when resort guests would likely want to play. Mayor Pro Tem Rea congratulated Mr. Hall on a great job and his frugal management style.

It was moved by Councilmember Goodhart, seconded by Councilmember Bird and unanimously approved to approve the FY2011 Palos Verdes Tennis Club operating and capital budgets.

#### STAFF REPORTS

City Manager's Report - none

#### **DEMANDS**

It was moved by Councilmember Goodhart and seconded by Councilmember Perkins that the demands, as approved by a majority of the City Council, totaling \$197,467.70 be allowed and it was unanimously approved.

CITY COUNCIL NOVEMBER 9, 2010 It was moved by Councilmember Goodhart and seconded by Councilmember Perkins that the demands, as approved by a majority of the City Council, No. 518040V, 518472V, 518457 to 518524 totaling \$161,113.50 be allowed and it was unanimously approved.

# MAYOR & CITY COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

Councilmember Goodhart reported his attendance at the Educator of the Year award dinner sponsored by the Peninsula Rotary, the Neighborhood Watch Annual Meeting and the Breakfast Club meeting where Chief Dreiling gave a speech on honor.

Councilmember Perkins reported on the SBCCOG meeting where the speaker was Paul Herzog from the Surfrider Foundation who discussed the Ocean Friendly Gardens program.

Mayor Pro Tem Rea reported that the CJPIA resource center will be going on-line so City staff will be able access the entire resource library of the CJPIA including webinars.

Councilmember Bird congratulated the Norris Center for the Performing Arts for their Rising Stars Program which benefits foster children. He reported that Palos Verdes High School won their first round of the Constitutional Rights Foundation Mock Trial Competition.

Mayor Humphrey said she also attended the Educator of the Year award dinner along with City Manager Hoefgen. She, Manager Hoefgen and Councilmember Goodhart also attended the League of California Cities Legislative Delegation event.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. to Tuesday, November 23, at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall for the purposes of an adjourned regular meeting for the Municipal Code Review Project.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

MICHÉLE D. MONSON, MINUTES SECRETARY

APPROVED:

ROSEMARY HUMPHREY, MAYOR