

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 9, 2007

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rolling Hills Estates was called to order at 7:40 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 4045 Palos Verdes Drive North, by MAYOR SEAMANS.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MAYOR SEAMANS led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

City Council Members Present: Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman
City Council Member Absent: Addleman

City Staff Present: City Manager Doug Prichard
City Attorney Kristin Pelletier
Assistant City Manager Sam Wise
Planning Director David Wahba
Community Services Director Andy Clark
Administrative Services Director Mike Whitehead
Assistant to the City Manager Greg Grammer

Others Present: John Pagliano, Park and Activities Commission

4. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

A. PROCLAMATION

MAYOR SEAMANS proclaimed the week of October 7-13, 2007 as "NATIONAL 4-H WEEK."

Vicki von Bergman, President, PVP 4-H Club, explained that their organization promotes independence and is based on volunteer participation. She was pleased to note that they have over 100 members and that it is one of the most successful groups in Southern California.

5. ROUTINE MATTERS

A. SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2007

MAYOR PRO TEM ZERUNYAN moved, seconded by COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN

TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2007 AS PRESENTED.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR SEAMANS SO ORDERED.

B. CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2007

COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN moved, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL

TO APPROVE THE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2007 AS PRESENTED.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR SEAMANS SO ORDERED.

C. DEMANDS AND WARRANTS – SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM ZERUNYAN

TO APPROVE WARRANTS 42702 THROUGH 42762 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$238,494.05; SUPPLEMENTAL WARRANTS 090107 THROUGH 090207; 42539 THROUGH 42609; 42680 THROUGH 42687 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$240,671.02 FOR A GRAND TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$479,165.07 WITH PROPER AUDIT.

AYES: Mitchell, Seamans, Zerunyan, Zuckerman

ABSENT: Addleman

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM ZERUNYAN

TO APPROVE ITEMS A-C.

A. READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for consideration to the City Council will be waived and all such ordinances and resolutions will be read by title only.

B. LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES PRIORITY FOCUS DATED SEPTEMBER 21, 2007

RECEIVED AND FILED.

C. LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES PRIORITY FOCUS DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 2007

RECEIVED AND FILED.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR SEAMANS SO ORDERED.

7. AUDIENCE ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA/WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS

NONE

9. NEW BUSINESS

NONE

10. OLD BUSINESS

NONE

11. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

NONE

12. CITY COUNCIL/REGIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS: This item provides the opportunity for Members of the City Council to provide information and reports to other Members of the City Council and/or the public on any issues or activities of currently active Council Committees, ad hoc committees, regional or state-wide governmental associations, special districts and/or joint powers authorities and their various committees on which Members of the City Council might serve or have an interest, which are not otherwise agendized.

A. COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL

1. TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES – MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2007

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded MAYOR PRO TEM ZERUNYAN

TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2007.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR SEAMANS SO ORDERED.

- (a) TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMITTEE – ACTION ITEMS FROM SEPTEMBER 20, 2007 MEETING: PVDN AT RANCHVIEW ROAD – “KEEP CLEAR” MARKING REQUEST AND EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE SIGNAGE SUGGESTIONS

Recommendation: That the City Council: 1) PVDN at Ranchview Road – “Keep Clear” marking request: Approve the staff recommendation to install a “Keep Clear” marking and limit lines on Ranchview Road in the eastbound direction on Palos Verdes Drive North; and 2) Equestrian Committee signage suggestions: Replace existing equestrian warning and crossing signs with fluorescent yellow horse crossing signs on Rolling Hills Road (mid-block crossing) near St. Luke’s Church and install equestrian warning signs on Palos Verdes Drive North near Dapplegray Lane in both directions.

Assistant City Manager Wise provided a staff report (as per agenda material).

After brief discussion, COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM ZERUNYAN

TO APPROVE INSTALLATION OF A "KEEP CLEAR" MARKING AND LIMIT LINES ON RANCHVIEW ROAD IN THE EASTBOUND DIRECTION ON PALOS VERDES DRIVE NORTH.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR SEAMANS SO ORDERED.

After brief discussion, COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded by MAYOR SEAMANS

TO REPLACE THE EXISTING EQUESTRIAN WARNING AND CROSSING SIGNS WITH FLUORESCENT YELLOW HORSE CROSSING SIGNS ON ROLLING HILLS ROAD (MID-BLOCK CROSSING) NEAR ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR SEAMANS SO ORDERED.

MAYOR PRO TEM ZERUNYAN inquired as to the Dapplegray sign noting that many equestrians utilize the trail directly across from that street and do not go down to the traffic light as there is no trail at that point.

It was the consensus of the COUNCIL to post a sign identifying that a horse may be crossing at that location rather than posting a crosswalk sign.

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded by COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN

TO INSTALL EQUESTRIAN WARNING SIGNS ON PALOS VERDES DRIVE NORTH NEAR DAPPLEGRAY LANE IN BOTH DIRECTIONS.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR SEAMANS SO ORDERED.

B. MAYOR PRO TEM ZERUNYAN

1. EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2007

COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL moved, seconded by MAYOR PRO TEM ZERUNYAN

TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2007.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, MAYOR SEAMANS SO ORDERED.

13. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS: - This item provides the opportunity for Members of the City Council to request information on currently pending projects and/or issues of public concern, direct that an item be agendized for future consideration and/or make announcements of interest to the public.

- A. MAYOR SEAMANS noted that the COUNCIL is responsible for this year's entertainment at the City's holiday dinner with a 1950s theme.
- B. MAYOR PRO TEM ZERUNYAN presented the COUNCIL with a gift from his visit to Armenia. He was pleased to note that the City's plaque is now hanging in Yerevan City Hall.
- C. COUNCILMAN ZUCKERMAN inquired as to the efficiency assumptions of the proposed turbines at the PV Landfill gas to energy facility. He then inquired if the City would receive the Sanitation Districts' responses to public comments on this issue.

Planning Director Wahba noted that he spoke with Robert Ferrante from the Sanitation Districts and was assured that all public comments and responses will be made available to the COUNCIL.

- D. COUNCILWOMAN MITCHELL announced that the South Bay Energy Savings Center will be holding a free Energy and Water Efficiency Seminar and Expo at the George Nakano Theatre on Wednesday, October 17 from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and encouraged everyone to attend.
- E. City Manager Prichard inquired if the COUNCIL was available to view a second "first look" at the revised Silverdes project prior to the COUNCIL meeting on October 23 at 6:00 p.m. It was the consensus of the COUNCIL that they would be available to meet at that time.

14. CLOSED SESSION

NONE

15. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:28 p.m., MAYOR SEAMANS formally adjourned the City Council meeting to Tuesday, October 23, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a joint City Council and Planning Commission workshop regarding the revised Silverdes Project – Applicant: Rick Edler; Location: 828 Silver Spur Road

Submitted by,

Approved by,

Hope J. Nolan
Deputy City Clerk

Douglas R. Prichard
City Clerk