M I N U T E S

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WEST COVINA CITY COUNCIL
November 18, 2008

Mayor Lane called to order the regular meeting of the West Covina City Council at 7:17 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 1444 W. Garvey Avenue, West Covina.

INVOCATION	Pastor Jimmy Han Good News Chapel
PRESENTATION OF COLORS	
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Councilmember Touhey
ROLL CALL	Mayor Lane, Mayor Pro Tem Hernandez, Councilmembers Sanderson, Touhey
Absent:	Councilmember Herfert
CHANGES TO THE AGENDA	No changes
PRESENTATIONS	Mayor Lane, assisted by Community Services Director Michele McNeill, presented Certificates of Recognition to Senior Citizen Commissioners John Hughes and Rod Perryman for their generous personal donation to upgrade the computers in the computer lab at the Senior Center.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Bill Schafer	Bill Schafer, West Covina resident, thanked the City Council, Police Department and Fire Department staff, for the equipment and assistance to him during his medical emergency that occurred during the September council meeting.
Mark Smith	Mark Smith, Glendora resident, asked for support for Mayor Pro Tem Hernandez as the next Mayor.
Izzy Schafer	Izzy Schafer, West Covina resident, thanked the council and staff for all the assistance provided to her husband, Bill Schafer.
Shirley Buchanan	Shirley Buchanan, West Covina resident, addressed the rotation process with Roger Hernandez becoming Mayor; observed at the November 4, 2008 meeting that residents want more code enforcement, not just on a complaint basis; and requested backup material for the Planning Commission be available as is the council agenda materials prior to the meeting.
Milford Walker	Milford Walker, West Covina resident, congratulated Roger Hernandez in his rotation to Mayor, requested cable TV of meetings be restored, and spoke in support of overnight parking restrictions.
Herb Redholtz	Herb Redholtz, West Covina resident, thanked Sherri Lane for an outstanding year as Mayor and commented on the availability of planning agenda items.

Bruce Leinbach	Bruce Leinbach, West Covina resident, commented on the West Covina High School Bulldogs recent success over South Hills High School; commented on the Council having a meeting on election night and suggested meetings be held on the Wednesday after an election date.
Cookie Nance	Cookie Nance, West Covina resident, thanked Sherri Lane for her past year as Mayor.
Brian Gutierrez	Brian Gutierrez, recent Nogales graduate, congratulated Roger Hernandez on becoming Mayor.
Alfred Williams	Alfred Williams, West Covina resident, congratulated Roger Hernandez; addressed the removal of council meetings on cable and stated he is recording meetings and transferring the meeting to DVD and requested that the City Clerk's office deliver them to the Library; addressed the council having a meeting on election night; inquired whether council is adhering to ethics training.
Mike Lee	Mike Lee, Azusa resident, congratulated Roger Hernandez on becoming Mayor; supported the return of meetings on cable.

CONSENT CALENDAR

D-1 Minutes	**City Council Meeting Minutes** (receive & file) No minutes for this meeting.
D-2 Commission Summaries	**Commission Summary of Actions** (receive & file) **a)** Planning 11/11/08
D-3 Claims	**Claims Against the City** (deny & notify claimant) • Sergio Murillo, Lisa Hallbrook & Essurance vs. City of West Covina • Tina Nguyen vs. City of West Covina • Macrina Barraza vs. City of West Covina • Oscar E. Perez, Jr. II vs. City of West Covina
D-4 Construction of Sidewalks	**Award of Bid** **Award of Bid for Construction of Sidewalks at Various Locations – Project No. SP-08106)** Recommendation is that the City Council accept the bid of Ruiz Engineering Co., in the amount of $37,672.50 as submitted on November 5, 2008, and authorize the Public Works Director/City Engineer to execute the contract.
D-5a Retirement Service Credits	**Miscellaneous – Finance Department** **Clarification Resolution on Existing Pre-tax Deductions for Retirement Service Credit Purchases** Recommendation is that the City Council adopt the following resolution:
Reso No. 2008-70	RESOLUTION NO. 2008-70 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST COVINA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING PRE-TAX PAYROLL DEDUCTION PLAN FOR SERVICE CREDIT PURCHASES (CONTRIBUTION CODE 14)

D-5b
Workers' Compensation Contract

Miscellaneous – Risk Management
Workers' Compensation Claims Administration Contract Extension

Recommendation is that the City Council approve an amendment to the existing Workers' Compensation Service Agreement between the City of West Covina and CorVel Enterprise Comp, Inc., which would extend the City's current service rate for one additional year, beginning January 1, 2009 and ending December 31, 2009, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the amendment.

D-5c
Maverick Field Lighting Waiver

Miscellaneous – Community Services Department
Request for Maverick Field Lighting and Fee Waiver for the Cory Lidle Memorial Tournament

Recommendation is that the City Council authorize the use of Maverick Field lights on Sunday, November 30, 2008 for the Cory Lidle Memorial Tournament.

CONSENT CALENDAR ACTION

Motion by Touhey and seconded by Hernandez to waive further reading of the resolution and adopt, and approve all items. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Hernandez, Sanderson, Touhey, Lane
NOES: None
ABSENT: Herfert

PUBLIC HEARINGS

No hearings for this meeting.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

No meeting.

DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS

No reports for this meeting.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

No reports for this meeting.

COUNCILMEMBERS' REQUESTS FOR REPORTS, STUDIES OR INVESTIGATIONS

No reports for this meeting.

CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

Presentation of Mayoral Plaque to Mayor Sherri Lane

Mayoral Plaque

Mayor Pro Tem Hernandez presented Mayor Lane with the traditional Mayoral Plaque recognizing her dedicated service as Mayor over the past year.

Presentations

Jorge Marquez, Field Representative for Assemblymember Ed Hernandez, presented Mayor Lane with a Certificate of Recognition recognizing her exceptional contribution and leadership as Mayor of West Covina.

Adam Ma, Senior Field Representative for Senate Majority Leader Gloria Romero, presented Mayor Lane with a Senate Proclamation

recognizing her for her hard work, dedication and leadership during the past year.

Brian Urias, Field Representative for Congresswoman Hilda Solis, presented Mayor Lane with a certificate recognizing her past year as Mayor.

Comments

Mayor Lane commented on her past year as mayor and thanked her colleagues, the residents, her family and friends for their continued support. Mayor Lane highlighted several projects that have been completed this past year with her colleagues.

Councilmember Touhey congratulated Mayor Lane and her past year as Mayor and looked forward to their continued work together.

Councilmember Sanderson thanked Mayor Lane for her past year as Mayor complimenting the Mayor for representing the community with dignity and respect.

Mayor Pro Tem Hernandez thanked Mayor Lane for her hard work to be fair and equitable in her work.

Council Reorganization

Mayor Lane stated it would be appropriate for the City Council to reorganize the mayoral succession as determined by the rotation process.

Motion by Touhey and seconded by Sanderson to affirm the mayoral succession as determined by our rotation process and appoint Mayor Pro Tem Roger Hernandez as Mayor and Councilmember Shelley Sanderson as Mayor Pro Tem.

Motion carried 4-0.

Oath of Incoming Mayor

Oath of Mayor

Jaime Hernandez, brother of Roger Hernandez, administered the Oath of Office to Roger Hernandez.

Presentation

Brian Urias, Field Representative for Congresswoman Hilda Solis, presented Mayor Hernandez with a Certificate recognizing his new role as Mayor.

Adam Ma, Senior Field Representative for Senate Majority Leader Gloria Romero, presented Mayor Hernandez with a Certificate of Recognition recognizing his role as Mayor Pro Tem during the past year.

Mayor Hernandez thanked his family and the residents for their support. Mayor Hernandez introduced his family and several elected officials from the area who were in attendance.

Mayor Hernandez spoke on the continued leadership of the City Council and on several tasks he will focus on as Mayor during the upcoming year.

Designation of Alternate to Los Angeles County Sanitation District

Motion by Touhey and seconded by Lane to appoint Mayor Pro Tem Sanderson as the Alternate Director to the Los Angeles County Sanitation District.

Motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT Motion by Touhey and seconded by Lane to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Assistant City Clerk Susan Rush

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Mayor Sherri Lane