

**OVERSIGHT BOARD TO THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY
OF THE WEST COVINA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

MINUTES

West Covina City Council Chambers
1444 West Garvey Avenue, West Covina, CA 91790

Regular Meeting - Thursday, November 1, 2012

Audio recording of meeting is available upon request from the West Covina City Clerk's Office.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Chairperson Sutkin.

Roll Call Chairperson Sutkin, Vice Chairperson Touhey
 Board Members Chavez, Coghlan, Hertzberg, Lee

Absent: Board Member Gregoryk

Staff: City Manager/Executive Director Pasmant, Finance Director Bachman,
 Oversight Board Secretary Rush, Community Development Director
 Chung, Attorney Harper

Pledge of Allegiance led by Board Member Touhey.

II. CHANGES TO AGENDA

Executive Director Pasmant requested to hold to a subsequent meeting items *V-A Transfer of Assets at Eastland/Lakes/Westfield to the Parking Authority of the City of West Covina* and *V-B Transfer of Assets at BKK to the City of West Covina* to allow the Board additional time to review the reports and for staff to make necessary corrections.

Chairperson Sutkin requested to start discussion on the two items.

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approval of Minutes (receive and file)**
Regular Meeting Minutes of August 2, 2012

ACTION ON CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Hertzberg and second by Touhey to approve all items on the consent calendar as presented.

Motion carried 6-0.

Public Comments held after consent calendar.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Carolyn Arndt, West Covina resident, requested an audit, due to the fact that the last audit was conducted by the same auditors used by the City of Bell and we should not want to have anything to do with anyone associated with Bell, and opined that the City does not have a balance budget.

Elsie Messman, West Covina resident, referenced a comment by Board Member Touhey from the October 4 meeting regarding a trip to China to observe the MAGLEV train and stated that the MAGLEV train does not involve the City of West Covina and therefore taxpayers should not have paid for any part of the trip and also concurred that an audit needs to be conducted of the Redevelopment Agency.

Philip Moreno, West Covina resident, provided a handout from the Department of State and requested that the Golf Course Agreement be eliminated from any past and future ROPS stating the project is not an enforceable obligation.

Doran Barnes, Executive Director of Foothill Transit and West Covina resident, spoke in favor of Item V-A, *Transfer of Assets at Eastland/Lakes/Westfield to the Parking Authority of the City of West Covina*, and stated that Foothill Transit's particular interest is the transfer of the parking that is available at the Westfield Mall. Foothill Transit has been working with the City to develop a transit park and ride project which would help traffic flow along West Covina Parkway.

Board Member Touhey responded to comments regarding the MAGLEV train proposed to go through West Covina.

V. BUSINESS ITEMS:

Chairperson Sutkin stated that no action would be taken but discussion would take place.

A. Transfer of Assets at Eastland/Lakes/Westfield to the Parking Authority of the City of West Covina

Community Development Director Chung presented staff report regarding the subject matter, transfer of 14 properties to the Parking Authority of the City. Mr. Chung detailed the property in each of the three development areas.

Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the dispositions of properties per the Department of State, criteria to transfer, appraisal of property, use of parking, the proposed transit park and ride, and justifications on transferring properties versus Long Range Property Management Plan.

Doran Barnes, representing Foothill Transit responded to questions regarding the proposed Park and Ride at Westfield Mall.

Following discussion, Chairperson Sutkin recommended to hold over to the next meeting and to also hold V-B regarding assets at BKK to the next meeting.

Sutkin requested presentation suggestions from board members for the following meeting. Chung stated that with the intent to hold over, a PowerPoint presentation was not included tonight but will be provided at the next meeting.

Board Member Chavez suggested to included the amount/size of land Foothill would need to build a parking structure and inquired as to whether parcels 3, 6 and 7 which wrap around the mail can be separated and transferred separately. Chairperson Sutkin also requested to see configuration of the parcels.

Chairperson Sutkin also requested for a future meeting a timeline on how the Redevelopment Agency is anticipating to dispose of agency assets.

B. Transfer of Assets at BKK to the City of West Covina

This item also requested to be held over to following meeting to be held December 6.

C. Department of Finance Correspondence

A brief update of correspondence between the Department of Finance and the Successor Agency was presented by Finance Director Bachman.

Finance Director Bachman stated the non-housing DDR will be on the December 6, 2012 agenda and a second meeting will need to be scheduled. Due to the upcoming holidays and closure of City Hall it is recommended that the regular meeting of January 3 be moved to January 10 in order for the non-housing DDR to be approved and submitted to the Department of Finance timely.

VI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/SUCCESSOR AGENCY REPORTS

No reports.

VII. STUDY SESSION

No items.

VII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Board Member Hertzberg inquired as to whether the Chairperson approves the agendas prior to distribution. City Manager Pasmant stated the agenda procedure is outlined in the Oversight Board by-laws.


Discussion ensued regarding who has the ability to place items on the agenda for action.

IX. CLOSED SESSION No items.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Touhey and seconded by Lee to adjourn the meeting 6:21 p.m.

Submitted by



Susan Rush
Oversight Board Secretary