



**FOLLOW UP AGENDA  
RANCHO PALOS VERDES CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 17, 2012  
FRED HESSE COMMUNITY PARK, 29301 HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD**

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**6:00 P.M.    CLOSED SESSION: SEE ATTACHED BROWN ACT CHECK LIST FOR DETAILS.**

**6:00 P.M.    STUDY SESSION**

The primary purpose of the Study Session is to provide an opportunity for the Council members to interact freely and informally, ask questions and discuss policy items that are listed on the agenda for that specific Study Session. The City Council will also provide direction to Staff regarding upcoming agenda items and tentative agendas, including prioritization of agenda items that are listed on the agenda for that specific study session. No action shall be taken during any Study Session unless the agenda so provides.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**ROLL CALL:**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE STUDY**

**SESSION:** (Based on Section 6.1(f), the Mayor proposes that Public Comments on items listed on the Study Session portion of the Agenda be consolidated so that each speaker has one one-minute opportunity to comment on all of the items listed on the Agenda for the Study Session.)

**DISCUSSION TOPICS:**

SS1. Review of Tentative Agendas in Light of City Council Goals, including questions of staff (Annotated Version of the City Council 2012 Goals & Priorities - attached for reference)

**Action Taken:** Council requested that a list of Future Agenda items be added to the end of the Tentative Agendas included in the Weekly Administrative Report.

SS2. Future Agenda Items Proposed by Council Members to be Prioritized

a. Town Halls Outreach – Future Agenda Item Proposal (Brooks)

**Action taken:** Directed staff to agendize Town Halls Outreach at earliest opportunity.

b. Establishment of a Rancho Palos Verdes Ombudsman Program (Duhovic)

**Action taken:** None. Councilman Duhovic withdrew his request to establish an Ombudsman Program, noting he would conduct further research and possibly return with the item at a later date.

**7:00 P.M. REGULAR SESSION**

**(10 mins) CALL TO ORDER:**

**ROLL CALL:**

**FLAG SALUTE:**

**MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

**RECYCLE DRAWING:**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** (This section of the agenda is for audience comments for items **NOT** on the agenda.)

**CITY MANAGER REPORT:** Community Development Director Rojas provided an update on three new restaurants that opened in the City and also commented on the City's participation in the South Bay Cities' Economic Development Director's Roundtable.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**(5 mins) APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:**

A. Motion to Waive Full Reading

**Action Taken:** Adopted a motion to waive reading in full of all ordinances presented at this meeting with consent of the waiver of reading deemed to be given by all Council Members after the reading of the title.

B. Approval of Minutes (Morreale)

**Action Taken:** Approved the Minutes of the following: May 8, 2012 Joint City Council/Planning Commission Meeting, as amended; June 19, 2012 Regular Meeting; and July 3, 2012 Regular Meeting.

C. Terranea Resort - Follow-Up Report on the 30-inch Height Limit for Roadway and Median Vegetation (Mihranian)

**Action Taken:** Received and filed the follow up report and directed Staff to send a letter to the Coastal Commission requesting reconsideration of the condition regarding the vegetation height along the roadway.

- D. Conflict of Interest Code for the Oversight Board of the Successor Agency to the Rancho Palos Verdes Redevelopment Agency (Downs)  
**Action Taken:** ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2012-48, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES, APPROVING THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE ADOPTED BY THE OVERSIGHT BOARD OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE RANCHO PALOS VERDES REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND DESIGNATING THE RANCHO PALOS VERDES CITY CLERK AS THE FILING OFFICER TO RECEIVE REPORTS FILED PURSUANT TO THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE.
  
- E. Professional Services Agreement with James B. Hendrickson for Public Works Department Management Services (Lehr)  
**Action Taken:** Authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Retired Annuitant Employment Agreement with James B. Hendrickson with a term ending with 960 hours of service in the fiscal year, or the date a new Public Works Director assumes the duties of the job – whichever occurs first.
  
- F. FY12-13 Traffic Safety Commission and Emergency Preparedness Committee Work Plans (Petru)  
**Action Taken:** 1) Approved the FY12-13 Work Plan for the Traffic Safety Commission, as amended, to add the reduction and/or consolidation of signage along roads to the Traffic Safety Commission Work Plan; and, 2) Approved the FY12-13 Work Plan for the Emergency Preparedness Committee, as amended, with direction to research the incorporation of a Reverse 911 system and to improve coordination with the Neighborhood Watch program.
  
- G. Amendments to the Administrative Citation Penalty Schedule (Pitts)  
**Action Taken:** ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2012-49, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES, ESTABLISHING ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION PENALTIES AND AMENDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION PENALTY SCHEDULE TO ADD CERTAIN VIOLATIONS OF THE RANCHO PALOS VERDES MUNICIPAL CODE.
  
- H. Register of Demands (McLean)  
**Action Taken:** ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2012-50, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES, ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS AND SPECIFYING FUNDS FROM WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID.

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**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- (5 mins) 1. General Plan Amendment, Zone Change, Height Variation Permit, Grading Permit and Environmental Assessment (Case No. ZON2010-00025) for a Property Located at 10 Chaparral Lane (**Supports 2012 City Council Goal – City Trail Systems Enhancement**) [Continued from June 5, 2012] (Kim)

**Action Taken:** Continued the public hearing on the proposed application package to September 18, 2012, to allow the applicant additional time to address geotechnical issues raised by the City Geologist related to the project's proposed septic system.

(30 mins) 2. Water Quality and Flood Protection Program – Annual User Fee Rate – FY12-13  
**(Supports 2012 City Council Goal for Public Infrastructure)** (McLean)  
**Action Taken:** 1) Conducted the public hearing pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 5473.2 and Section 3.44.40 of the Rancho Palos Verdes Municipal Code on July 17, 2012 on the Annual Report prepared by Harris & Associates, the Annual Report prepared by the Oversight Committee and information provided by Staff; 2) Adopted the Engineer's Report, as modified, maintaining the current assessment; 3) Directed Staff to return to the next Council meeting with a revised resolution commemorating the Council's decision.

(5 mins) 3. Abalone Cove Sewer Service Charge (Dragoo)  
**Action Taken:** 1) Conducted the public hearing on the proposed levy of the annual sewer service charge for the Abalone Cove Sewer System for Fiscal Year 2012/13, which provides for a maximum increase of 2% in the fees collected; and, 2) ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2012-51, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES, APPROVING A REPORT IN CONNECTION WITH THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 13.06 OF THE RANCHO PALOS VERDES MUNICIPAL CODE, DETERMINING THE AMOUNT OF SUCH CHARGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012/13, AND ORDERING THAT SUCH CHARGE BE COLLECTED ON THE TAX ROLL.

#### **REGULAR BUSINESS:**

(45 mins) 4. San Ramon Canyon Stabilization Project – Financing Alternatives **(Supports City Council 2012 Goal for Public Infrastructure)** (McLean)  
**Action Taken:** 1) Received and filed this report; and, 2) Directed staff to return with a reimbursement resolution for Council's consideration.

(45 mins) 5. Southern California Edison Presentation on Current Community Issues (Waters)  
**Action Taken:** 1) Received a presentation by Southern California Edison (SCE) on infrastructure, fires, equipment location and placement, and other electrical infrastructure issues affecting residents of Rancho Palos Verdes; 2) Determined that fire mitigation in the Palos Verdes Nature Preserve should be priority number one; and, 3) Approved staff recommendations as called out in the staff report to: a) Request progress report on implementation of Peninsula Reliability Plan; b) Provide staff with transformer replacement schedule with particular attention to those most likely to cause safety concerns for residents; c) Request progress report on safety measures proposed by Sierra Club; d) Establish a system for residents to report overgrown vegetation in and around SCE facilities, to be reported to SCE and monitored by City for completion; and, e) Prepare a letter for the Mayor's signature to the California Public Utilities Commission that outlines City Council's expectations for addressing the most significant issues threatening the safety and well-being of City residents through the implementations of maintenance and infrastructure measures.

(30 mins) 6. Status Update Regarding the Proposed Lower Hesse Park Master Plan (Schonborn)  
**Action Taken:** 1) Combined options 1 and 3; 2) Directed staff to complete the MND with the originally designed plan; and, 3) Directed staff to work with the Homeowner's Association to develop a phased scaled down project, to be completed over the course of a number of years, to be brought back to City Council for consideration.

(20 mins) 7. Consideration of Performance Audit Proposals (**Supports City Council Goal "Improve Organizational Efficiency"**) (Brooks and Duhovic)  
**Action Taken:** Authorized the Mayor to sign a Professional Services Agreement with Matrix Consulting Group at a total cost of \$44,000 with the Council agreeing to maintain the full \$50,000 budget allocation for this audit, to allow for any expanded work that the Council may wish to authorize.

(5 mins) **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** (This section of the agenda is designated for individual Council Members to request that an item be placed on a future City Council meeting agenda.)

(10 mins) **CITY COUNCIL ORAL REPORTS:** (This section of the agenda is designated for oral reports from Council Members to report action taken at outside committee and association meetings.)

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT:** City Attorney Lynch reported on the following Closed Session items: 1) With respect to the potential purchase of property, a report was provided and unanimous direction was given to the Community Development Director to obtain more information on the property acquisition and appraisal; 2) With respect to the Potential Initiation of Litigation Against the City, no action was taken but Councilman Duhovic offered to pursue an outreach effort to establish communications; 3) With respect to the City Manager's Performance Evaluation, no discussion occurred due to the lateness of the hour. All Council Members were present for the Closed Session.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourned at 12:00 A.M. to Tuesday, July 31, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at Fred Hesse Park for an Adjourned Regular Meeting.

**CLOSED SESSION AGENDA CHECKLIST**  
Based on Government Code Section 54954.5

(All Statutory References are to California Government Code Sections)

**Conference with Real Property Negotiators**  
**G.C. 54956.8**

Potential purchase of property:

Property: Windport Canyon North, APN 7583-02-2012 (.69 acres) and APN 7583-02-2013 (7.49 acres) for a total of 8.18 acres

City Negotiators: Community Development Director Rojas and City Attorney Lynch

Negotiating Parties: Representatives of Friends of Chabad Lubavitch

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

**Potential Initiation of Litigation:  
G.C. 54956.9(c)**

The City Council is meeting to decide whether to initiate litigation.

Number of Potential Cases (1)

**Conference with Legal Counsel**

**Public Employee Performance Evaluation  
G.C. 54957**

Personnel

Title: City Manager

*Specify Position/Title of Employee Being Reviewed*

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