



**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL
JOINT CITY COUNCIL/
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2009**

Afternoon Session
1:30 P.M.
Conference Room 1
(Closed Session only)
City Hall
130 Cremona Drive, Suite B
Goleta, California

Evening Session
6:00 P.M.
City Hall
130 Cremona Drive, Suite B
Goleta, California

Members of the City Council

Eric Onnen, Mayor
Margaret Connell, Mayor Pro Tempore
Roger S. Aceves, Councilmember
Michael T. Bennett, Councilmember
Edward Easton, Councilmember

Daniel Singer, City Manager
Deborah Constantino, City Clerk
Tim W. Giles, City Attorney

AFTERNOON SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Onnen called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL

Present: Mayor Onnen, Mayor Pro Tempore Connell, Councilmembers Aceves,
Bennett, and Easton.

Absent: None

Staff Present: Dan Singer, City Manager; Tim W. Giles, City Attorney; Vyto Adomaitis, Redevelopment, Neighborhood Services and Public Safety Director; Michelle Greene, Administrative Services Director and Rheannon Parr, Deputy City Clerk.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS CLOSED SESSION MATTERS

None

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 1:34 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION

The City Council met in closed session:

CONFERENCE WTH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section §54956.9(c) with respect to potential initiation of one matter of litigation.

RECESS TO EVENING SESSION

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 P.M.

**130 Cremona Drive, Suite B
Goleta, California**

EVENING SESSION

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Onnen called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL

Present: Mayor Onnen, Mayor Pro Tempore Connell, Councilmembers Aceves, Bennett, and Easton.

Absent: None

Staff Present: Dan Singer, City Manager; Tim W. Giles, City Attorney; Vyto Adomaitis, Redevelopment, Neighborhood Services and Public Safety Director; Jaime Valdez, Senior Management Analyst; Patty Miller, Planning Division Manager; Kirsten Deshler, Public Information Officer and Deborah Constantino, City Clerk.

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Tim W. Giles, City Attorney, reported on Closed Session matters;

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section §54956.9(c) with respect to potential initiation of one matter of litigation.

Action: No reportable action

PUBLIC FORUM

Mark Russell, representing Grass Roots Research, reported Grass Roots Research has expanded operations to include an education center and research center. Mr. Russell invited Council to tour the facility.

Eric Winter spoke in support of Grass Roots Research.

Seamus Ethridge and David Cordeiro echoed Mr. Russell comments.

Adrienne Veillette suggested Council look into providing the police department with training on medical marijuana laws.

Fred Kapp, representing Grass Roots Research, reported Grass Roots Research has 800 members and is a viable part of the community.

AMENDMENTS OR ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

None

A. PRESENTATION

A.1 Employee Oath of Office

Deborah Constantino, City Clerk, administered the Oath of Allegiance to Liz La Rovere, Community Services Administrative Assistant, and Joanna Smith, Assistant City Attorney.

A.2 Employee Recognition 5-Year Pin

Mayor Onnen presented Michelle Greene, Administrative Services Director, with a 5-year recognition pin.

A.3 2009 RDA Year End Activity Update

Recommendation: Receive the 2009 Redevelopment Agency Year End Activity Update.

Staff Speakers:

Vyto Adomaitis, Redevelopment, Neighborhood Services and Public Safety Director

Jaime Valdez, Senior Management Analyst, provided a PowerPoint presentation of the 2009 Redevelopment Agency Year End Activity Update.

Council received the report

B. CONSENT CALENDAR

B.1 Acceptance of the November 2009 Check Register

Recommendation: Accept the check register for the month of November 2009.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to accept the check register for the month of November 2009.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

B.2 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, RDA Audited Financial Statements and Single Audit for the Year Ended June 30, 2009

Recommendation:
As the City Council:

- A. Accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Single Audit for the Year Ended June 30, 2009.

As the Redevelopment Agency:

- B. Accept the Redevelopment Agency Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended June 30, 2009.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Single Audit for the Year Ended June 30, 2009.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to accept the Redevelopment Agency Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended June 30, 2009.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

B.3 Redevelopment Agency Annual Report FY 08-09

Recommendation: Receive the Redevelopment Agency Annual Report for FY 08-09.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to receive the Redevelopment Agency Annual Report for FY 08-09.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

B.4 Initiation of the FY 2009-10 Community Project Grant Program

Recommendation: Receive and file report.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to receive and file report.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

B.5 Bicycle Transportation Plan Amendment and Bicycle Transportation Account Grant Application for Hollister Avenue Class I Bicycle Path

Recommendation:

A. Adopt resolution No.09-__ entitled "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California Certifying Sufficient Funds Will Be Provided to Match the Application for Grant Funding through the California Department of Transportation Bicycle Transportation Account."

B. Adopt a resolution No.09-__ entitled "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta Amending City of Goleta Interim Bicycle Transportation Plan Dated February 2005."

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to adopt resolution No.09-56 entitled "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California Certifying Sufficient Funds Will Be Provided to Match the Application for Grant Funding through the California Department of Transportation Bicycle Transportation Account" and adopt a resolution No.09-57 entitled "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta Amending City of Goleta Interim Bicycle Transportation Plan Dated February 2005."

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

B.6 South County Energy Efficiency Partnership Program for 2010 - 2012

Recommendation: Approve the Agreement to participate in the 2010/2012 South County Energy Efficiency Partnership Program.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to approve the Agreement to participate in the 2010/2012 South County Energy Efficiency Partnership Program.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

C. PUBLIC HEARING

C.1 Goleta Growth Management Ordinance 2009 Annual Report

Recommendation:

- A. Receive the Goleta Growth Management Ordinance 2009 Annual Report.
- B. Grant an allocation of 43,828 square feet to the Camino Real Hotel Project under Section 8.6 of the Goleta Growth Management Ordinance.

Staff Speakers:
Patty Miller, Planning Division Manager

OPENED PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:32 P.M.

Speakers:
None

CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:33 P.M.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Bennett to grant an allocation of 43,828 square feet to the Camino Real Hotel Project under Section 8.6 of the Goleta Growth Management Ordinance.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

C.2 09-177-OA: Repeal of the Goleta Growth Management Ordinance

Recommendation:

- A. Introduce and conduct the first reading (by title only) and waive further reading of City Council Ordinance 09-__ entitled "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California Repealing the Goleta Growth Management Ordinance; Case No. 09-177-OA". (Attachment 1)
- B. Continue the item to January 19, 2010 in order to conduct the second reading and adoption of the Ordinance.

Staff Speakers:

Patty Miller, Planning Division Manager

OPENED PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:40 P.M.

Speakers:

None

CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:40 P.M.

MOTION: Councilmembers Aceves/Bennett to introduce and conduct the first reading (by title only) and waive further reading of City Council Ordinance 09-__ entitled "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California Repealing the Goleta Growth Management Ordinance; Case No. 09-177-OA".

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

D. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM

D.1 Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant (EECBG) Program

Recommendation:

- A. Adopt resolution 09-__, entitled "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California Authorizing City Participation in the Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant (EECBG) Program."
- B. Direct staff to submit a EECBG Program application to the California Energy Commission.

Staff Speakers:

Kirsten Deshler, Public Information Officer

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to adopt resolution 09-58, entitled "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California Authorizing City Participation in the Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant (EECBG) Program" and submit a EECBG Program application to the California Energy Commission.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

D.2 Goleta Strategic Plan Review and Update

Recommendation: Review the City's Strategic Plan and provide direction on any amendments or additions to the Plan.

Staff Speakers:

Dan Singer, City Manager

Kirsten Deshler, Public Information Officer

By Council Consensus Council accepted staff's list of recently completed items as identified below:

- Revise Purchasing Policies and Procedures
- Verify & Monitor County Transient Occupancy Tax Records
- Improve City's Budget Software Capability
- Revise City Business License Program
- Codify All City Codes
- Establish Economic Development Strategies
- Create an Economic Development Function in RDA
- Join the Coastal Housing Partnership
- Implement Internship Program
- Revise Council Recognition Policies
- Implement Credit Card Capability at City
- Develop a Commercial Recycling Program
- Adopt a Sphere of Influence
- Complete Amtrak Station Improvements
- Complete a 5 year Plan for Camino Real Substation
- Implement the Los Carneros Landscaping Project

MOTION: Councilmembers Aceves/Bennett to delete "Complete an Animal Control Agreement" from the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Easton/Bennett to delete "Develop and Enhance Personnel Training" from the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to delete "Revise Personnel Grievance System" from the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Aceves/Bennett to accept staff recommendations to delete the list of items identified below from the Strategic Plan:

- Develop Policy on Providing Spanish Translation (new substitute objective should be considered by Council - as identified in the table on the next page)
- Create Case Tracking Database (merge with "Implement Permit Project Tracking System")
- Provide City Hall Public Training Seminars for Permitting Process (no longer needed)
- Continue Annual Report of City Accomplishments - State of the City Event (this is now a budgeted program which no longer needs to be spelled out as a Strategic Plan objectives since it is now institutionalized)
- Complete Post Acquisition Tasks for Ellwood Mesa (redundant with objective 6.10, "Implement the Ellwood-Devereux Open Space Management Plan" and therefore recommended to be merged into one objective)
- Study Adding Another Gang Enforcement Deputy (staff suggests replacing this with an objective which reads: "Enhance City's Gang Enforcement Activities")
- Directed Enforcement Based Upon Crime Analysis Trends (this is operational, not strategic)

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to delete "Provide City Hall Public Training Seminars for Permitting Process" from the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Easton/Bennett to retain "Create a Permanent City Hall" in the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

RECESS 7:24 P.M. – 7:31 P.M.

MOTION: Councilmember Bennett/Mayor Pro Tempore Connell to delete "Encourage Community Participation" from the Strategic Plan and adopt "Create & Implement Public Engagement Strategies".

AMENDED MOTION

MOTION: Councilmember Bennett/Mayor Pro Tempore Connell to delete "Encourage Community Participation" from the Strategic Plan and adopt "Create & Implement Public Engagement Strategies" and remove "with important community projects and initiatives" from the description.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Easton/Bennett to delete "Support for Cultural Activities" from the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Easton/Bennett to delete "Work with Nonprofit Community to Promote Services & Activities" from the Strategic Plan.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Mayor Onnen to work with nonprofit organization to enhance and promote services to the community.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Bennett/Easton to delete "Establish Neighborhood Compatibility Ordinance and Program" from the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Aceves/Easton to keep "Review Dance Permits" on the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Aceves/Bennett to delete "Review City Ordinance for Activities Occurring within the City.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Easton/Aceves to add "Develop Inventory of City Facilities" to the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Bennett to add "Enhance Funding for the Goleta Library" to the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmember Bennett/Mayor Pro Tempore Connell to add "Initiate Study on Hotel & Conference Space" to the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to add "Develop Outreach Strategies to Reach Non-English Speaking Residents" to the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Aceves/Bennett to add "Promote Green, Sustainability, Energy Efficiency at City Hall and in the Community" to the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Aceves/Easton to amend "Pursue Various New Ordinances" to "Complete Codification Process"

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Bennett/Aceves to add "Develop a City Naming Policy" to the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to develop a public arts program.

AMENDED MOTION

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to develop a public/cultural arts program.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Connell/Councilmember Easton to merge strategies and objectives in the recently adopted Economic Development Strategic Plan into the City Strategic Plan.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

MOTION: Councilmembers Aceves/Easton to refer the Economic Development Strategic Plan to the Economic Development Strategic Committee for vetting and recommending achievable goals to the Council for incorporation into the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOTION: Councilmembers Bennett/Aceves to include the undergrounding of overhead utilities in the Strategic Plan.

VOTE: Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

E. COUNCIL COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORT

Councilmember Easton reported meeting with Vice Chancellor Michael Witherell regarding UCSB's research projects. Councilmember Easton also reported Mayor Pro Tempore Connell attended the meeting.

Mayor Onnen reported attending the League of Cities on December 11, 2009, and also reported meeting with Santa Barbara Mayor Elect Schneider to discuss scheduling a joint meeting between the City of Goleta and the City of Santa Barbara.

F. CITY MANAGER/STAFF REPORT

Dan Singer, City Manager reminded the public that City Hall will be closed from Thursday, December 24, 2009, and until Friday, January 1, 2010.

G. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

None

ADJOURNED AT 8:41 P.M.

Prepared by: Rheannon Parr, Deputy City Clerk

GOLETA CITY COUNCIL



ERIC ONNEN
MAYOR

ATTEST:




DEBORAH CONSTANTINO
CITY CLERK

GOLETA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY



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CHAIR

ATTEST:



DEBORAH CONSTANTINO
SECRETARY

