



MINUTES
CITY OF NORCO
STREETS, TRAILS AND UTILITIES COMMISSION MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 2820 CLARK AVENUE
MAY 4, 2009

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Showalter called meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.
2. ROLL CALL: Commissioners Present: Showalter, Mauro, Hickey, Walker, Hedges, Burt, Turpin

Commissioners Absent: Hutnik
3. STAFF PRESENT: Bill Thompson, Director of Public Works
Rose Matthews, Executive Secretary
Terry Piorkowski, Public Works Supervisor
Sgt. Adam Vallejo, RSO – Norco Station

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner Mauro

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS:

6. TO BE READ BY THE CHAIR: “All discretionary actions before the Streets, Trails and Utilities Commission are advisory in nature and final actions will be confirmed, modified, or deleted by the City Council.”

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. April 6, 2009

M/S Burt/Hedges to approve the minutes of April 6, 2009.

Motion carried by the following vote.

AYES: Showalter, Mauro, Hedges, Burt, Turpin

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hutnik

ABSTAIN: Hickey, Walker

8. NEW DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Sheriff’s Department Annual Report for 2008

Sgt. Adam Vallejo presented the Sheriff’s Department Annual Report for 2008.

Chair Showalter inquired if the ticket count for residents versus non residents could be identified on inner city streets to determine if the speeding problems were actually the out-of-towners.

Commissioner Hedges inquired if RSO – Norco station has cooperation with other city police departments.

Sgt. Vallejo indicated that yes, all agencies were very cooperative despite any rumors residents may hear.

Commissioner Walker inquired regarding the increased graffiti.

The Director noted, as well as Sgt. Vallejo; that the tagging has increased recently, especially during school breaks or holidays.

Discussion was held.

M/S Hedges/Hickey to receive and file the Sheriff's Annual Report for 2008.

Motion carried by the following vote.

AYES: Showalter, Mauro, Hickey, Walker, Hedges, Burt, Turpin
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hutnik
ABSTAIN: None

B. Authorization to Install a Three-Way Stop Condition at Alhambra Street and Rocky View Drive

The Director presented the report to install a three-way stop condition at Alhambra Street and Rocky View Drive. This stop condition has been requested by the residents in the area and teachers at Highland Elementary School.

Commissioner Hedges inquired regarding any reports of traffic collisions.

Discussion was held regarding some minor collisions that had occurred.

M/S Hickey/Turpin to recommend to City Council to install a three-way stop condition at Alhambra Street and Rocky View Drive.

Motion carried by the following vote.

AYES: Showalter, Mauro, Hickey, Walker, Hedges, Burt, Turpin
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hutnik
ABSTAIN: None

C. Review of 2009/10 Public Works Water and Sewer Capital Improvement Fund Program Budgets

The Director presented the 2009/10 Public Works Water and Sewer Capital Improvement Fund Program Budgets.

Discussion was held.

M/S Burt/Hedges to receive and file the 2009/10 Public Works Water and Sewer Capital Improvement Fund Program Budgets.

Motion carried by the following vote.

AYES: Showalter, Mauro, Hickey, Walker, Hedges, Burt, Turpin
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hutnik
ABSTAIN: None

9. CONTINUED DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Waste-to-Energy Project

The Director noted that he and Councilman Miller are meeting with residents of neighboring communities regarding this project.

Discussion was held.

B. Waste Management Rate Adjustment Update

The Director noted Waste Management modified all of the new proposed rates to reflect the Commissions recommendation and will only request the fees that are landfill increases and per the agreement are subject to be passed through to residents. The City has requested a letter describing future fee considerations for the extraordinary fuel adjustments granted last year.

Discussion was held.

C. Landfill Day

The Director noted the upcoming Landfill Day on May 9, 2009 as a "free" day for City of Norco resident to take their debris to the landfill.

Discussion was held.

10. VERBAL UPDATES ON STREETS/TRAILS ISSUES:

The Director noted the alternative trail fence specifications.

Terry Piorkowski, PW Supervisor reported on the recently received alternative trail fence specifications. He spoke briefly regarding the new specifications.

Discussion was held.

11. OTHER MATTERS:

The Director did not have any other matters to bring forward.

Commissioner Mauro noted that the H1N1 virus should be addressed.

Commissioner Burttt noted no cases have been confirmed.

Commissioner Hickey noted she had heard that there were 2 cases in Riverside County.

Commissioner Mauro noted again he would like to see an update on this virus.

Further discussion was held regarding the Health Charter for this Commission.

12. ADJOURNMENT: 9:15 p.m.

M/S Hedges/Turpin to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., June 1, 2009.

Motion carried by the following vote.

AYES: Showalter, Mauro, Hickey, Walker, Hedges, Burttt, Turpin

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hutnik

ABSTAIN: None

William R. Thompson
Director of Public Works

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