



MINUTES
CITY OF NORCO
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 2820 CLARK AVENUE
APRIL 3, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Azevedo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Kathy Azevedo, **Present**
Mayor Pro Tem Berwin Hanna, **Present**
Council Member Kevin Bash, **Present**
Council Member Herb Higgins, **Present**
Council Member Harvey C. Sullivan, **Present**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Sullivan

INVOCATION: Grace Fellowship Church
Pastor Vernie Fletcher

PRESENTATIONS: "Toby Gerhart Day" Proclamation

Proclamations were presented to Toby Gerhart from representatives of Supervisor Tavaglione, Senator Roth and Assemblyman Linder. Mayor Azevedo presented a proclamation to Mr. Gerhart proclaiming April 3, 2013 as Toby Gerhart Day.

Elaine Park
Norco Kiwanis Club

Council Member Bash presented Elaine Park with a proclamation honoring her dedication and commitment to the activities of the Norco Kiwanis Club and service to the community.

Child Abuse Prevention Month - April
Prevent Child Abuse Riverside County

Mayor Azevedo read the proclamation proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AS FOLLOWS:

1. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

M/S Bash/Higgins to adopt the items as recommended on the City Council Consent Calendar. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: AZEVEDO, BASH, HANNA, HIGGINS, SULLIVAN
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

- A. City Council Minutes:
Regular Meeting of March 20 2013
Recommended Action: **Approve the City Council Minutes** (City Clerk)
 - B. Procedural Step to Approve Ordinance after Reading of Title Only.
Recommended Action: Approval (City Clerk)
2. ITEM(S) PULLED FROM CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR: **NONE**
3. CITY COUNCIL ACTION ITEM:
- A. Appointment of Two City Council Members and One Alternate to Review and Interview Commission Members when a Code of Ethics Complaint is Filed in Accordance with Administrative Policy No. 311 – Code of Ethics Policy and Procedures for City Council Members, Commission Members and City Employees. **Recommended Action: Appoint two City Council Members and one alternate for the remaining 2013 calendar year.** (City Clerk)

M/S Azevedo/Hanna to appoint Council Member Higgins and Mayor Pro Tem Hanna, and Mayor Azevedo as the alternate for the remaining 2013 calendar year.

Council Member Sullivan, under discussion, questioned why the “accuser” was not interviewed as part of the process.

The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: AZEVEDO, HANNA, HIGGINS
NOES: SULLIVAN
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: BASH

- B. Discussion Regarding Council Member Harvey Sullivan’s Appointment to the Zoning and Development Issues Working Group. (Mayor Azevedo)

Mayor Azevedo addressed her support of the City’s Charter and General Plan, noting her concerns regarding Council Member Sullivan serving on this Working Group.

Council Member Sullivan commented on his support of the City’s Charter and General Plan.

M/S Higgins/Bash for the Mayor Azevedo to review all City Council appointments to regional boards, City standing committees and other City committees and come back to the Council with her recommendations for appointment.

Council Member Sullivan, under discussion, stated that he cannot support this at this time, noting that he could support this being considered at a different time.

The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: BASH, AZEVEDO, HANNA, HIGGINS
NOES: SULLIVAN
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

4. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS:

- A. **Ordinance No. 960 Second Reading:** Zone Code Amendment 2013-02; Specific Plan 85-1, Amendment 8; Specific Plan 90-01, Amendment 12; and, Specific Plan 91-02, Amendment 6 regarding the Allowance of Massage Businesses as Ancillary Uses in Commercial Zones. **Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance No. 960.** (City Clerk)

City Attorney Harper commented on the need to review this ordinance as it applies to state law.

M/S Higgins/Bash to continue the second reading to June 5, 2013, or approximately 60 days. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: BASH, AZEVEDO, HANNA, HIGGINS. SULLIVAN
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

5. CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Zone Code Amendment 2013-01 Amending Chapter 18.32 "Home Occupations;" and Code Amendment 2013-01: Amending Chapter 10.16 "Commercial Vehicles/Trucks" of the Norco Municipal Code, regarding the use and parking of commercial vehicles in residential zones.

The proposed changes to the Norco Municipal Code are to Chapter 10 (Vehicles and Traffic) and to the "Home Occupations" section of the Zoning Code (Chapter 18). The purpose for the changes is to clarify how and when a Residential Exemption Permit issued for the purpose of parking a commercial vehicle in a residential zone (otherwise prohibited) can be used when a home occupation business exists in the same location. The Planning Commission adopted Resolution 2013-06 on March 13, 2013, following clarification that any restrictions on commercial vehicles would not be applicable to horse trailers.

Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance No. 961 for first reading. (Planning Director)

Planning Director King presented the public hearing item.

Council Member Higgins commented on comments he had sent to staff regarding this proposed ordinance, noting that his main concern is storage of construction equipment and what is seen from the right-of-way.

M/S Higgins/Bash to receive and file.

Council Member Sullivan, under discussion, asked if this proposed ordinance needs to go back to the Planning Commission. City Attorney Harper and Planning Director King responded that it probably will need to go back to them for review and recommendation.

The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: AZEVEDO, BASH, HANNA, HIGGINS, SULLIVAN
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS:

Ann Bedwell. Ms. Bedwell commented on the State of the City to be held on Thursday, April 4th at the Performing Arts Center at Norco High School.

Vern Showalter. Mr. Showalter commented on the new sign code that was passed, noting some discrepancies for placement in the parkway.

7. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS ON REGIONAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Mayor Pro Tem Hanna:

- Reported on the lawsuit regarding the Perris Valley Line.

Council Member Bash:

- Reported on the RCA Board meeting he attended.
- Noted that the Norconian Strategic Plan Committee is being brought back together.
- Commented on the event to be held on April 16th – George Alan Ingalls Day – at which time a ceremony will take place in front of City Hall (time to be determined).

Council Member Sullivan

- Commented on the RTA Board he serves on, noting that an item came back to them regarding the busses purchased and delivered that required additional sales tax to be paid.

Mayor Azevedo:

- Noted that Saturday and Sunday is Relay for Life at Pikes Peak Park.
- Stated that on April 9th, Eastvale will be presenting its State of the City.
- Stated that UNLOAD will be hosting the annual Town Hall Meeting on May 8th at the CNUSD Learning Center, focusing this year on smokeless tobacco.
- Reported that the WRCOG General Assembly will be held on June 13th, at which time George W. Bush will be the key note speaker.
- Commented on the proposed change of name in Corona from Mayor Pro Tem to Vice Mayor.

8. CITY MANAGER / STAFF COMMUNICATIONS: **NONE**
9. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Azevedo adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

BRENDA K. JACOBS, CMC
CITY CLERK