

MINUTES of a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Redlands held in the Council Chambers, Civic Center, 35 Cajon Street, on October 28, 2008, at 7:30 A.M.

PRESENT Jon Harrison, Mayor
Pat Gilbreath, Mayor Pro Tem
Mick Gallagher, Councilmember
Pete Aguilar, Councilmember
Jerry Bean, Councilmember

ABSENT None

STAFF N. Enrique Martinez, City Manager; Daniel J. McHugh, City Attorney; Lorrie Poyzer, City Clerk; Jim Bueermann, Police Chief; David Hexem, Chief Information Officer; Daniel Hobbs, Redevelopment Agency Director; Rosemary Hoerning, Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director; Tina Kundig, Finance Director/City Treasurer; Jeff L. Frazier, Fire Chief; Oscar W. Orci, Community Development Director; Gary van Dorst, Quality of Life Director

Mayor Harrison called the special meeting of the City Council to order and provided an opportunity for the public to address them on the subjects which were scheduled on the agenda. There were no comments forthcoming.

RECESS

The meeting recessed at 7:31 A.M. to a closed session as follows:

1. Threat to public services of facilities - Government Code §54957 Consultation Redlands Police Department.

The meeting reconvened at 8:41 A.M. with the same attendance.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

There was no reportable action taken during the closed session.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Police Department Relocation - Community Development Director Orci reported the Safety Hall ad-hoc committee has been meeting weekly to address the various issues related to the Safety Hall facility, including evaluating numerous short (interim) and long term options. With the exception of dispatch, all Safety Hall personnel have been temporarily relocated to various

police facilities located throughout the City. This relocation has resulted in operational efficiency issues. There is an immediate need to create an interim solution in order to create a holding (jail) facility as well as one central patrol police area. The ad-hoc committee is maintaining a list of available properties for sale or lease within the City and will expand as further properties are identified. This does not address the immediate need for an interim facility; however, due to the City's financial limitations, the ad-hoc committee found that it would be a financial burden to purchase or lease property and improve it for the short term. The ad-hoc committee identified an option that would not involve purchase or leasing property; rather, it would involve the use of Fire Station No. 4 located at the Corporate Yard, for the patrol, holding facilities and related administrative functions. The Fire Department would occupy a temporary trailer that would be located immediately adjacent to the fire apparatus at the Corporate Yard. The public would be able to utilize the existing entry area for both the fire and police functions. Funding would be required for the acquisition of the trailer as well as a holding facility. Funding would come from the Public Facilities Fund for Police Facilities. Police Chief Bueermann explained the operational issues. Fire Chief Frazier expressed his willingness to relocate Fire Station No. 4 to a temporary trailer. Staff would like to bring this matter, with more specific information specifically funding, to the City Council at a regularly scheduled meeting. By consensus, Councilmembers were supportive of this proposal and asked for a detailed plan which would also include the Quality of Life Department's involvement at the Corporate Yard.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None forthcoming.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the special City Council meeting adjourned at 9:07 A.M. The next regular meeting will be held on November 4, 2008.