

MINUTES

JOINT GONZALES CITY COUNCIL, REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
AND PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 15, 2010
6:00P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Orozco called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The flag salute was recited by all present.

1. ROLL CALL-

CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Pro Tem Scott Funk, Matt Gourley, Liz Silva, Jose G. Lopez, and Mayor Maria Orozco.

STAFF PRESENT:

City Manager René L. Mendez, City Attorney Michael F. Rodriguez, Administrative Specialist/Deputy City Clerk Mary Villegas, Recreation Coordinator/Administrative Analyst Sara Papineau-Brandt, Building Official/Fire Marshal Michael Lechman, Acting Chief of Police Keith Wise, Public Works Director Carlos Lopez, and Emergency Services Director/Special Projects Analyst Harold Wolgamott.

- * Redevelopment Agency Item
- ◆ Financing Authority Item

PRESENTATION

2. NSP Program

Jane Barr, Monterey County Project Director, updated the Council on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program, which was part of the ARRA money that came out of the Obama Administration. She informed that the County was taking the lead to get the program moving, acquire the houses, and begin the next phase to give houses to the residents who needed help throughout the County. She gave a background on the grant awarded for this program. She informed that the Housing Resource Center was the first contact for people interested in buying a house, and an eight hour education course on home ownership was required for a family to participate in the program. She explained the eligibility process. Ms. Barr also explained what the NSP 3 Program consisted of.

Councilmember Gourley asked how a contractor could get on the list of contractors.

Ms. Barr responded that they had already done a RFP for the contractors and they had already hired the contractors. She added that she did not know if they would be looking for more contractors at this point for the NSP 3 Program, but they could contact her at 755-5389. She also said that if there were families interested in getting into the NSP Program, they could contact the Monterey County Housing Resource Center at 424-9186.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

3. There was none.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. Approve the November 15, 2010 Joint City Council and Redevelopment Agency Minutes
5. Approve City Accounts Payable Warrants #26018 - 26115
6. Departmental Activity Reports
 - a. Building/Fire Marshal Department
 - b. Fire Department
 - c. Public Safety Department
 - d. Public Works Department
 - e. Recreation Department
7. Consider Approval of Resolution No. 2010-71, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gonzales Rescheduling the City Council Meeting of December 6, 2010 to December 13, 2010 and Canceling the City Council Meeting of December 20, 2010
8. Goal Setting Session Update
9. Consider Approval of Resolution No. 2010-70, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gonzales in Support of Expanding the Salinas Valley Enterprise Zone to Include Castroville Industrial Park

Action: Councilmember Gourley made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Mayor Pro Tem Funk seconded the motion. Approved by vote; all ayes.

REGULAR AGENDA

- * 10. Reorganization of City Council – Election of Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chair

City Manager/Executive Director Mendez reported that a couple of things that were up for next year would be the election of the Mayor Pro Tem whether the Council wanted to change that or not, and also the Committee appointments, which they could either make the appointments today or bring them back.

Public Comment: There was none.

Councilmember Gourley asked if the Council could consider the Committee appointments until we got to Business from the Council later in the agenda as it was agendized.

In regards to the election of the Mayor Pro Tem, Councilmember Gourley believed that the things on the Council had been going quite well and Scott had been doing a great job as a Mayor Pro Tem.

Action: Council/Agency Member Gourley made a motion to appoint Mayor Pro Tem Scott Funk as the Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chair. Council/Agency Member Silva seconded the motion. Approved by vote; all ayes.

Mayor Pro Tem Funk was appointed as Mayor Pro Tem and Agency Vice Chair.

◆ 11. Annual Public Financing Authority Report

Executive Director Mendez presented the staff report.

Public Comment: There was none.

Action: Board Member Gourley made a motion to accept the 2010 Annual Public Financing Authority Report. Board Member Lopez seconded the motion. Approved by vote; all ayes.

12. Request to Use Fairview Gymnasium

City Manager Mendez presented the staff report.

Public Comment: Liz Modena, GUSD Superintendent, commented that she was the person who would say no about when the Gym could be used because she was trying to protect the City's side. She mentioned that she was trying to give the City a chance to build the program that they had not been able to offer, and that was why the school had to protect the time from 6:00pm on. She indicated she had told her staff to work through the regular process to request the facility use, which was very easy to do and was online. She explained that if the request was during City time, it went to Duane Wolgamott, and automatically routed through Sara for approval. She added that people were told that if they wanted to request it during City time, to put in a request and the City would look at their schedule and would advise based on what was available.

Ms. Modena believed they had it worked out at this point. She also indicated that she met with Mr. Rios regarding his concerns and explained that they were going to continue this way for at least two to three months to see how they were dealing with this. She mentioned that it was tough in the winter months because that was the time when a Gym was needed for any sporting events and everyone wanted to be indoors, but she was confident that it was going to work out for both parties. She added that they already had some kind of adjustments made on both sides. She said that one of the things they did not think about and anticipate was that the school promised they were going to have the Gym clean at the end of the school time. She indicated that meant that the school needed to cut back a little bit to allow the guys to do the cleaning so it was clean when the City used it. She mentioned there were some bugs in the system but not many, and she believed we would get past them. She appreciated the cooperation from staff.

Councilmember Silva asked if there was going to be a schedule of the use.

Ms. Modena responded that there was a facility calendar on the school's website showing what buildings were being used, which would include the Joint Use Gym as well.

Councilmember Silva asked if there was another way for citizens who did not use the internet.

Ms. Modena responded that was something they could look into doing, maybe posting it weekly.

Councilmember Gourley mentioned he had a great concern about this and that was why staff was asked to bring this item back to the Council, and also because we heard from people that were getting kicked out of the Gym, and there were no other programs set up. Hearing that, he believed we got a new Gym and after the fact we knew that we had these other programs with huge attendance, which that was what we all wanted and worked for. He believed we all just need to work together. He thought there were a lot of assumptions early on about who was using it, and there might have been some neglect on bringing everybody into the room, but we were all trying to fit so much into this. He appreciated Ms. Modena coming down and giving the City an opportunity for us not to have to build our own structure and to be able to have our programs there. He added that the City would not have anything to offer if the school had not let us in.

Mayor Orozco believed it was a great opportunity and as we moved forward to possibly work on future joint use projects, it was important to have those policies and procedures in place. She mentioned that it was difficult when the public came before the Council and complain about certain issues that we really did not have any control over, because we did not know what the schedule was. She believed this was a great policy and process and it set the tone for future projects. She was glad to be able to bring this forward.

It was the Council's consensus to continue moving forward and follow the policy, and if there were any concerns, we could always come back and review them.

13. Public Works Yard View Shed

Public Works Director Lopez presented the staff report. He went over the four recommendations.

Public Comment: There was none.

Councilmember Gourley mentioned that he had brought this up for the fact that it was in the middle of our residential area, and at the time of the workshop, he was wondering if there was anything we could do to clean it up. He said that the Police Department was not too excited about blocking off the view surrounding the yard.

Public Works Director Lopez explained that the four recommendations to improve the view from the street were 1) Clean and trim trees in the planter area; 2) Trim and develop a landscape plan; 3) Reconfigure the front of the yard as employee parking including item #1;

and 4) Add screening including the gate area, and install automatic gate opener to allow Police access.

Councilmember Gourley said that at this point, he asked the Public Works Director Lopez to be conscious of his concern.

Public Works Director Lopez mentioned that from time to time it got cleaned, but sometimes it got heavy use and we did not have a place to store things. He added that staff tried to use it to the best of their abilities and this week they were going to get rid of some stuff during the clean up week.

Councilmember Gourley added that you could see three or four old police cars from C Street, which he believed that it did not look right.

Public Works Directors Lopez indicated that the police cars had been towed except for one which staff was taking parts off of it, but the process slowed down because the Mechanic was on medical leave.

Mayor Orozco recognized it was a work yard and that people were there working, and believed we can just continue to maintain it and keep it clean. She thanked Public Works Director Lopez for his continued work on that.

14. Consider Approval of a Consulting Services Agreement Between the City of Gonzales and Social Outreach Services

City Manager Mendez presented the staff report.

Public Comment: There was none.

Mayor Orozco asked Mr. Stinson to give an update on the program.

Camilo Stinson, Clergy Counsel, informed that they not always did intervention in all the South County Cities, but prevention also. He explained that they were setting up afterschool programs in King City right now but would work their way up as they got volunteers trained and get them set up to be on campus or schools talking to the kids. He mentioned that they also provided incident response for any kind of gang related crime. He added that they were doing coalition programs throughout the cities, and were mobilizing the community members in all the cities to take streets back from the gang members and make it safer. He said that a lot of their efforts here would be more of prevention since the gang violence and crime was not that high. He indicated that they had afterschool programs called Hope Boys and Girls Clubs and would be working side by side with the police activities league.

Mayor Orozco thanked him and hoped to get a quarterly report on the agenda from Acting Chief of Police Wise. She also asked if Mr. Stinson could come back to give the Council an update once they started working in our City and the School District.

Mr. Stinson indicated that they would turn in a report every month for every activity that took place in the City and throughout the whole CalGrip process.

City Manager Mendez added that staff would incorporate those statistics in the monthly report that the Council received as part of the agenda.

Action: Councilmember Gourley made a motion to **a)** Approve the City Standard Contract with Social Outreach Services for Youth-Outreach/Gang-Intervention Consulting Services for a not to exceed amount of \$26,100, and authorize the City Manager to sign the Contract; and **b)** Authorize the City Manager to amend the FY 2010-2011 Police Department Budget (*Budget Unit 300*) by increasing appropriations in Other Contractual Services (*Object Code 6245*) by \$13,050, and increasing revenues in Other Income-Reimbursements (*Object Code 5821*) by \$13,050 for the first year of the contract. Mayor Pro Tem Funk seconded the motion. Approved by vote; all ayes.

BUSINESS FROM CITY COUNCIL

15. Consider City Council Committee/Board Appointments

The following appointments were made by the City Council:

<u>BOARD/COMMITTEE</u>	<u>APPOINTEE</u>	<u>ALTERNATE</u>
League of CA Cities Monterey Bay Division	Jose Lopez	Scott Funk
Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG)	Scott Funk	Matt Gourley
Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC)	Maria Orozco	Matt Gourley
Mayors Selection Committee/Mayors Association	Maria Orozco	None Permitted
Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District (MBUAPCD)	Mayors Association Appoints	
Association of California Cities Allied with Prisons (ACCAP)	Matt Gourley	Maria Orozco

City Manager Mendez indicated that ACCAP group had not been active and the City stopped paying the dues. Mayor Orozco said we could bring this back if it became active. City Manager Mendez did not know if they actually met with the prison or not. He mentioned that it was for the communities who had prisons near them. Mayor Orozco asked Councilmember Gourley to be the appointee until we found out if they actually met.

Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority (SVSWA)	Liz Silva	Matt Gourley
Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST)	Maria Orozco	Scott Funk
* ABAG Power Pool	René Mendez	Carlos Lopez
* ACJIS Policy Committee	Paul Miller	Matt Gourley
City & School Joint Steering Committee	Matt Gourley and Scott Funk	
Police Station Project	Completed	
Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)	Scott Funk and Liz Silva	

Mayor Pro Tem Funk asked about the committee for the future Community Center.

City Manager Mendez responded that staff had not put it on this list but it was Councilmember Gourley and Mayor Pro Tem Funk who were part of that committee. He said that staff could add it to this list if they chose too, but he believed we needed to bring it back. He added that the preliminary stuff was done and it was presented to the Recreation Commission, but he believed we needed to bring it back one more time. His thought was to gear it up at the beginning of next year whether we want to pursue grant opportunities. He said that Prop 84 had over a billion dollars of

projects and only had 134 million to hand out so we did not get funded. He asked if the Council wanted to add this to the list.

Mayor Orozco said yes.

Community Center Committee

Matt Gourley and Scott Funk

Councilmember Gourley asked if we were going to have at any point, a subcommittee to attract new businesses.

City Manager Mendez said we could have an Economic Development Committee if the Council wished to. He told them staff would bring back information on how we could make a committee and what we would be looking at. He informed them of what staff was currently doing. He said that staff could bring back something at the beginning of the year.

Councilmember Gourley asked about the status on the Community Development Position.

City Manager Mendez responded that the person that the City had made an offer to and accepted it took another opportunity with San Francisco. He mentioned that right now, Mr. Farrel had agreed to continue to work under contract for the City which was two to three days a week and finish the General Plan and D'Arrigo projects.

City Manager Mendez informed that he was in the process of meeting again with the next three candidates who were still interested in working for the City. He said he was trying to get information from the panel and make conclusion whether to make an offer to one of the candidates or go out again. He said going out again would not work now due to the Holidays. He told them he may talk to a couple of the Councilmembers to discuss things as far as the fit to the community.

Councilmember Gourley asked for a status on the Police Officer position.

City Manager Mendez responded that Acting Chief of Police Wise would provide an update under staff comments.

16. Oral Communication

Councilmember Silva wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Pro Tem Funk reported on the AMBAG meeting he attended regarding the blue prints that were under public review until mid December.

Mayor Orozco wished to have each Council member report back to the Council on their respective board or committee appointments. She believed the City Manager was going to list the committees on the agenda and she understood that sometimes there may be nothing to report, but she thought that it would be good to give an update on what was happening with the different agencies that the Council represented.

Mayor Orozco thanked City Manager Mendez for bringing back the Gym use issue so quickly. She believed it was important that when the public came before the Council under

public comment and asked questions or concerns, that we are able to report back at the following meeting to address them. She wished everyone Happy Holidays.

BUSINESS FROM CITY MANAGER

17. Oral Communication

City Manager Mendez reminded the Council that the Annual City Christmas Party was scheduled for December 10th and said invitations should have gotten out already. He asked them to RSVP so we had a head count.

Department Head Updates

Special Projects Analyst Wolgamott reported on the community clean up week this week. Monday – Friday between 4:00pm and 6:00pm. Saturday 10:00am to 6:00pm. He also reported on the State-wide earthquake drill which staff participated, and this month was State-wide Hospital drill.

Public Works Director Lopez reported on the Central Park tree project and the Centennial Park Lights Project.

Acting Chief of Police Wise reported on the Click it or Tick It Campaign through November 28th, as well as the State's Zero Tolerance Texting and Telephone Usage which was scheduled for November 22nd and 23rd. He reported that the department filled one of the three officer positions. He said Officer Cesar Castillo would be starting on November 18th and would be sworn in at the next Council meeting. He added that we still had two other positions that we were looking to fill and staff was holding Oral Testing on November 24th with a pool of ten candidates.

City Manager Mendez added that staff was going to fill the next position as soon as we have a good candidate, and would also maintain a list.

Building Official Lechman reported on the code enforcement for foreclosed homes.

Recreation Coordinator Papineau reported on the Holiday Lights set for December 4th, and said they were looking for bicycles and other raffle items, as well as canned food items. She also reported on the volleyball program, and basketball registration. She informed that the Relay for Life Executive Committee was looking for a member that would be specifically designated to outreach to the Hispanic community.

City Manager Mendez informed that we were still looking for two Planning Commissioners and we had not received letters of interest yet. He said that they met once a month and most meetings were short depending on the item. On another note, he reported that he was in Sacramento last week meeting with some departments, where he met on the Health/Wellness Center that we were working on. He indicated that staff was looking at asking Congressman Farr and Senators to give us direct appropriation. He added that staff would pursue grants, but would probably bring something back to formally request direct appropriation.

* **BUSINESS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

18. Oral Communication

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Funk made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Silva seconded the motion. Approved by vote; all ayes.

The Joint City Council, Redevelopment Agency, and Public Financing Authority meeting was adjourned at 7:04pm.

ATTEST:



Mary Villegas, Deputy City Clerk