

CITY OF SOLANA BEACH
**SOLANA BEACH CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY,
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MINUTES

Joint SPECIAL Meeting
Wednesday, March 18, 2015 * 5:00 P. M.

City Hall / Council Chambers, 635 S. Highway 101, Solana Beach, California

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CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

Lesa Heebner, Councilmember

David A. Zito, Mayor

Peter Zahn, Deputy Mayor

Mike Nichols, Councilmember

Ginger Marshall, Councilmember

David Ott
City Manager

Johanna Canlas
City Attorney

Angela Ivey
City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

Mayor Heebner called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Lesa Heebner, David A. Zito, Peter Zahn, Mike Nichols, Ginger Marshall
Absent: None
Also Present: David Ott, City Manager
Johanna Canlas, City Attorney
Angela Ivey, City Clerk
Wende Protzman, Community Development Dir.
Mo Sammak, City Engineer/Public Works Dir.
Danny King, Sr. Management Analyst
Craig Miller, Marine Safety Captain

CLOSED SESSION REPORT: (when applicable)

FLAG SALUTE:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: Moved by Zahn and seconded by Nichols. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the City Council on items relating to City business and not appearing on today's agenda by submitting a speaker slip (located on the back table) to the City Clerk. Comments relating to items on this evening's agenda are taken at the time the items are heard. Pursuant to the

Brown Act, no action shall be taken by the City Council on public comment items. Council may refer items to the City Manager for placement on a future agenda. The maximum time allotted for each presentation is THREE MINUTES (SBMC 2.04.190). Please be aware of the timer light on the Council Dais.

Elizabeth Cramer stated that she wanted to start a children's community garden at a vacant lot on Rosa St. to create a place for families to grow plants and learn about gardening, however, a community garden on that lot would not comply with the City's current zoning codes. She stated that she had been in communication with Staff regarding the current zoning, the general plan update included allowing community gardens in the City, but that there was not a current ordinance allowing it. She said that the community had interest in community gardens requested that the section of the general plan update, regarding community gardens, be made a priority and expedited.

COUNCIL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS / COMMENTARY:

C. STAFF REPORTS: (C.1.)

Submit speaker slips to the City Clerk.

C.1. Workplan for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. (File 0410-08)

Recommendation: That the City Council

1. Review and discuss potential modifications to the draft Workplan for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

No Staff Report

David Ott, City Manager, introduced the item. He presented a PowerPoint (on file) reviewing the Workplan document.

Wende Protzman, Community Dev. Director, continued the PowerPoint presentation reviewing Community Character Priorities.

Council and Staff discussed the development of the traffic impact fee that would be prepared by a consultant, that other impact fees could also be reviewed by a separate consultant, and that applicants who utilized zero net energy use should be provided the incentive to move up in the project review process.

Discussion continued regarding that it had not been decided whether the parkland mitigation fee would be assessed only to commercial developers or to residential builders as well, and discussed that reviewing and updating the Highway 101 Specific Plan should be added to the workplan.

Council and Staff discussed adding to the Workplan an underground rail crossing at the lagoon for the Gateway property as a Highway 101 East / West connection. Discussion continued regarding the new lifeguard station and whether the consultant could determine if the current building could be salvaged and made safer in lieu of building an entirely new structure, and that perhaps a modular structure could be considered to potentially avoid some issues with the Coastal Commission.

Discussion continued regarding additional lighting needs at La Colonia Park, Caltrans landscaping of the I-5 Widening Project area, and whether Caltrans would provide ongoing maintenance of the area.

Council and Staff discussed that the two right hand turn lanes for the Santa Helena Project were in the approval process following the denial of the first submittal and a revised re-submitted, that traffic calming east of the 5 freeway should be revisited, to consider possible traffic calming solutions at Lomas Santa Fe and Nardo and at Hillman, Cedros / Lomas Santa Fe., and adding the Lomas Santa Fe Streetscape project to the Workplan.

Discussion continued adding to the Workplan including 1) the Highway 101 / Cedros Ave parking district ordinance, 2) examining parking and walkability options from the distillery lot to Plaza to the train station.

Council and Staff discussed reviewing a concept to close off Plaza St. how to the traffic would be routed in this area, that once the plan was finalized it would be presented to the Council standing committee for further review before returning to Council, partnering with private sector agencies to increase funds available for the Community Grant Program and the public art/recreation program, and to add monitoring of the One Paseo referendum effort to the workplan, and adding the RV / Oversized vehicle ordinance, and the Seascape Shores stairs to the workplan.

Council and Staff discussed reviewing the feasibility of providing free wi-fi at certain public areas within the City, the feasibility of a curbside compost and food scrap pickup, and discussed banning Styrofoam in the City.

Council and Staff discussed the NCTD site, how to make the downtown area more attractive to visitors such as highlighting historical landmarks with the use of an App, which would allow visitors to scan a barcode on the building to learn additional information and facts on the landmark.

David Ott, City Manager, stated that the Council should consider returning to a two-year budget cycle, which the City has passed in years prior to the economic downturn, that the City to project out further during this stronger economy, and that there would still be an annual budget review.

Council and Staff discussed reviewing the fire benefit fee, that 2/3 vote was needed to increase the fee, that the fee had not been increased since inception of the City, and that the current fee only funded about 11% of the Fire Department budget. Discussion continued that funding of the Cal Pers unfunded liability should be moved to a priority item.

Council and Staff discussed the new patch worn by Fire personnel to exhibit all 3 entities serviced by the Fire Department, Del Mar, Solana Beach, Encinitas, and that the cost for the new fire engine would return to Council at a later date.

Theresa Adams-Hydar, Sheriff Captain presented a PowerPoint (on file) reviewing the 2015 goals of the Sheriff Department.

David Ott, City Manager, stated that the additions to the Workplan made by Council would be incorporated into the document and would return to Council in April for another review.

COMPENSATION & REIMBURSEMENT DISCLOSURE: None

GC: Article 2.3. Compensation: 53232.3. (a) Reimbursable expenses shall include, but not be limited to, meals, lodging, and travel. 53232.3 (d) Members of a legislative body shall provide brief reports on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency at the next regular meeting of the legislative body.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADJOURN:

Mayor Heebner adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Angela Ivey, City Clerk

Approved Date: November 18, 2015