

**CITY OF SANTA MONICA**  
**CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**JANUARY 6, 2007**

A special meeting of the Santa Monica City Council was called to order by Mayor Bloom at 9:05 a.m., on Saturday, January 6, 2007, at City Council Chambers, 1685 Main Street.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Richard Bloom  
Mayor Pro Tem Herb Katz  
Councilmember Ken Genser  
Councilmember Robert T. Holbrook  
Councilmember Kevin McKeown  
Councilmember Pam O'Connor  
Councilmember Bobby Shriver

Also Present: City Manager P. Lamont Ewell  
City Attorney Marsha Jones Moutrie  
City Clerk Maria M. Stewart

**CONVENE/PLEDGE** On order of the Mayor, the City Council convened at 9:05 a.m., with all members present. Santa Monica Library Director Greg Mullen led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** The following members of the public spoke to issues related to outsourcing of city services and funding for the School District: Mona Gandarra, Lauralee Asch, Joey Fullmer, Jerry Rubin, Shari Davis, Ken Ward, Rebecca Kennerly, Siobaan Schenz and Arlene Kelekian.

**PURPOSE AND GOALS OF THE WORKSHOP** Mayor Richard Bloom and City Manager Lamont Ewell reviewed the purpose and goals of the workshop.

Staff provided status reports on the following subjects:

School District Joint Use Agreement  
Homelessness  
Transportation management issues  
Economic Forecast and Mid-Year Budget

**PROGRESS FOR** City Manager Ewell and staff presented initiatives on the following

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subjects and received feedback and direction from Councilmembers::

- Human Resources changes, business system improvements, and customer service
- Citywide organization restructuring
- Coordination among departments regarding capital projects
- Strategy for Planning and Community Development

**COUNCIL POLICY CLARIFICATION**

**Contracting Policy for City Services.**

Considerable discussion ensued over the benefits and detriments of outsourcing city services and the need to develop a fair and practical city-wide policy.

It was the consensus of all present that substantial time was needed to further discuss this matter and take appropriate action. The matter is to be placed on a future City Council agenda for continued discussion.

**Advertising and Sponsorship.**

Due to the shortness of time, and on order of the Mayor, this matter was not discussed.

**CLOSED SESSIONS**

On order of the Mayor, the City Council recessed at 12:15 p.m., to considered closed sessions and returned at 1:30 p.m., with all members present to report the following:

**Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation: Melin Cardenas v. City of Santa Monica, Case No. BC 342 198.**

Motion by Councilmember Shriver, seconded by Councilmember O'Connor to approve Settlement Agreement No. 8669 (CCS) in the amount of \$75,000. The motion was approved by the following vote:

- AYES: Councilmembers Shriver, Genser, McKeown, Holbrook, O'Connor, Mayor Pro Tem Katz, Mayor Bloom
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: None

**Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation: Mary Ann Sheridan, et al. v. City of Santa Monica, Case No. SC 088 571.**

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Councilmember

Holbrook, to approve Settlement Agreement No. 8670 (CCS) in the amount of \$285,000 and appropriation from account number 58234.522010. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Shriver, Genser, McKeown, Holbrook,  
O'Connor, Mayor Pro Tem Katz, Mayor Bloom  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

**Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation: City of Santa Monica v. Baron & Budd, P.C., Case No. BC 315 186.**

ACTION: Not Heard.

**Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation: Or Khaim Hashalom v. City of Santa Monica, Case No. CV 06-06932 ABC (FFMx).**

ACTION: Not Heard.

**Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation: Shopper Shuttles, LLC v. City of Santa Monica, et al., Case No. CV 06-07977 SVW (FFMx).**

ACTION: Heard. No reportable action taken.

**Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation: Santa Monica Food Not Bombs, etc., et al. v. City of Santa Monica, Case No. CV 03-0032 R.**

ACTION: Not Heard.

**Anticipated Litigation: Anticipate significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b): 6 matters, including update on meetings with Federal Aviation Administration re Airport; claim of Rose Demetriou; and 4 matters involving disputes at real property at 161 Ocean Park Boulevard, 1047 11<sup>th</sup> Street, 1522 6<sup>th</sup> Street, and 1432 7<sup>th</sup> Street.**

Motion by Councilmember Shriver, seconded by Councilmember

O'Connor, to approve Settlement Agreement No. 8671 (CCS) related to project at 1047 11<sup>th</sup> Street as follows:

- all existing tenants to be fully protected
- no Ellis or owner-occupancy evictions
- no individual rent increases for existing tenants, only annual general adjustment will be applied
- existing tenants will be given the right of first offer to purchase
- provide market-rate tenants with a 90-day right of first refusal to purchase unit at market price
- provide long-term tenants a one-year right of refusal
- owner will make a one-time contribution of \$25,000 to the City's Affordable Housing Fund.

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Shriver, Genser, McKeown, Holbrook,  
O'Connor, Mayor Pro Tem Katz, Mayor Bloom  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

**AGENDA AND COUNCIL MEETING FREQUENCY MANAGEMENT**

Discussion ensued on finding ways and setting policy to facilitate the management and frequency of City Council meetings. Several suggestions were considered and discussed. After discussion, and on order of the Mayor, this matter to be put on a future agenda for continued Council discussion and consideration.

**EFFECTIVENESS OF INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE COUNCIL**

On order of the Mayor, due to the lack of time, the information provided on this matter was received and filed.

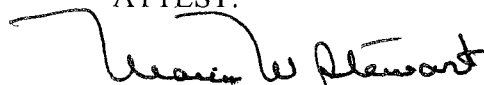
**USES OF COUNCIL CONTINGENCY FUNDS**

On order of the Mayor, and due to the lack of time, this matter was not discussed. It was the consensus of Council that this matter will be placed on a future Council agenda.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On order of the Mayor, the Special City Council meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m., to Tuesday, January 9, 2007.

ATTEST:



Maria M. Stewart  
City Clerk

APPROVED:



Richard Bloom  
Mayor