

CITY OF SANTA MONICA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

MAY 22, 2007

A regular meeting of the Santa Monica City Council was called to order by Mayor Bloom at 5:45 p.m., on Tuesday, May 22, 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

Absent: 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 5:45 p.m., with Councilmember Shriver absent. Council Office Manager Sonia Ramos led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLOSED SESSIONS

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2-A: Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation: Abraham Supino v. City of Santa Monica (and consolidated cases), Superior Court Case No. SC080283.

ACTION: Heard. No reportable action taken.

2-B: Conference with Legal Counsel regarding Claim No. 06-1957 - Claimant's name: Robert Woolf.

Motion by Councilmember Holbrook, seconded by Councilmember Genser, to approve Settlement Agreement No. 8719 (CCS) in the amount of \$30,000. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

2-C: Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation: Batul Hadjian Torab v. City of Santa Monica, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. SC 085339.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Katz, seconded by Councilmember O'Connor, to approve Settlement Agreement No. 8720 (CCS) in the amount of \$300,054.14. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

Motion by Councilmember Genser, seconded by Councilmember O'Connor, to appropriate the funds to account number 57233.522010. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

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

ACTION: Not Heard.

2-E: Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation: City of Santa Monica, et al. v. City of Los Angeles (Playa Vista), Case No. B189630.

ACTION: Not Heard.

2-F: **Conference with Legal Counsel regarding Claim No. 07-2877 - Claimant's name: Jerome Nash.**

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Katz, to approve Settlement Agreement No. 8721 (CCS) in the amount of \$17,422.77 to reimburse the cost to repair a driveway. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

STUDY SESSION:
2007-2008 BUDGET
STUDY SESSION

The following members of the public spoke in support of funding for various projects: Joey Fullmer, M. Ross, Joe Natoli and Jerry Rubin.

City Manager P. Lamont Ewell provided an overview and context of the City's current economic state and a general status of the budget. Respective department directors presented individual departmental budgets as follows:

Budget Overview: Context
Budget Balancing Strategies/Results
Capital Improvements Program
City Council and City Manager
Airport
Records and Election Services
City Attorney
Fire
Police
Human Resources
Finance & Risk Management
Information Systems
Community Maintenance

On order of the Mayor, the information was received and filed.

ORDINANCES:
PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES AGMTS.

7-A: **Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 2228 (CCS) entitled: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA AMENDING SECTION 2.24.073 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE THE DOLLAR LIMIT THRESHOLD REQUIRING CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS FROM MORE THAN \$55,000 TO MORE THAN \$70,000,"** was presented.

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Katz, to adopt the ordinance reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

**PREFERENTIAL
PARKING - BUSINESS
EMPLOYEES**

7-B: Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 2229 (CCS) entitled: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA EXTENDING THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF PREFERENTIAL EMPLOYEE PARKING PERMITS FOR CERTAIN SPECIFIED BUSINESS," was presented.

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Katz, to adopt the ordinance reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

**DONATION OF FOOD,
CLOTHING, ETC., ON
PUBLIC PROPERTY**

7-C: Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 2230 (CCS) entitled: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA ADDING SECTION 4.55.075 TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE PROHIBITING THE DONATION OF FOOD, CLOTHING OR OTHER PROPERTY BY LEAVING IT IN CITY PARKS, PARKWAYS AND SIDEWALKS," was presented.

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Katz, to adopt the ordinance reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

TWO-LOT SUBDIVISION

7-D: Second reading and adoption of Interim Ordinance No. 2231 (CCS) entitled: "AN INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA MODIFYING THE CITY'S ZONING ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A TWO-LOT SUBDIVISION

THAT RETAINS A SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE WITH NONCONFORMING SETBACKS UNDER SPECIFIED CIRCUMSTANCES,” was presented.

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Councilmember Genser, to adopt the ordinance reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

**DEVELOPMENT
REVIEW THRESHOLDS**

7-E: Second reading and adoption of Interim Ordinance No. 2232 (CCS) entitled: “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA EXTENDING THE INITIAL INTERIM ORDINANCE MODIFYING THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW THRESHOLDS TO REQUIRE THAT ANY HOUSING PROJECT IN EXCESS OF FIFTY UNITS OBTAIN A DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PERMIT,” was presented.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Katz, seconded by Councilmember Genser, to adopt the ordinance reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

**FALSE FIRE ALARMS -
FEES**

7-F: Second reading and adoption of Interim Ordinance No. 2233 (CCS) entitled: “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 8.44,” and adoption of Resolution No. 10215 (CCS) entitled: “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA TO ESTABLISH FEES FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSES TO EXCESSIVE FALSE FIRE ALARMS,” was presented.

Motion by Councilmember Holbrook, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Katz, to adopt the ordinance reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

Motion by Councilmember Holbrook, seconded by Councilmember
McKeown, to adopt the resolution reading by title only and waiving
further reading thereof. The motion was approved by the following
vote:

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

PUBLIC INPUT:

Members of the public Joey Fullmer, M. Ross, Pro Se, and Joe Natoli
commented on various subjects.

ADJOURNMENT:

On order of the Mayor, the City Council meeting was adjourned at 11:38
p.m., to Wednesday, May 23, 2007.

ATTEST:

Maria M Stewart
Maria M. Stewart (as)
City Clerk

APPROVED:

Richard Bloom
Richard Bloom
Mayor