

**CITY OF SANTA MONICA**  
**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 30, 2007**

A regular adjourned meeting of the Santa Monica City Council was called to order by Mayor Bloom at 5:46 p.m., on Tuesday, October 30, 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 5:46 p.m., with Councilmembers Genser and Shriver absent. Jory Wolf, Chief Information Officer, led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CLOSED SESSIONS:** Members of the public Joey Fullmer and Pro Se commented generally on Item 2-A.

On order of the Mayor, the City Council recessed at 6:03 p.m., to consider closed sessions and returned at 7:22 p.m., with all members present to report the following:

2-A: **Public Employee Evaluations.**  
**Title of Employees: City Attorney, City Clerk, City Manager**

ACTION: Heard.

2-B: **Conference with Labor Negotiator to discuss compensation.**  
**Unrepresented Employees: City Manager, City Clerk, City Attorney**

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Katz, to award a performance bonus to the City Clerk of 10% for

fiscal year 2005-06, and 10% for fiscal year 2006-007. Motion was approved by the following vote:

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

**STUDY SESSION:**  
**SOLID WASTE**  
**REQUEST FOR**  
**PROPOSALS**

**3-A: Review of responses to Solid Waste Request for Proposals to provide commercial collection and transfer and disposal services** - recommendation to receive request for proposal evaluation reports for commercial collection and transfer and disposal services; direct staff to proceed with developing an implementation plan for commercial collection; and based on the Evaluation Committee's initial analysis, direct staff to engage in formal discussions with private firms to further the evaluation of the alternative combination of services, was presented.

Members of the public Joey Fullmer, Linnea Hernandez, Joe Natoli, Mike Matosia, Douglas Johnson, Chip Clemats, Steven Frates and Eric Herbert spoke of various aspects of the proposal.

Discussion ensued on various aspects of the proposal and on the comments made by members of the public.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Katz, seconded by Mayor Bloom, to approve recommendation 3 of the staff report, which directs staff to engage in formal discussions with private firms to further the evaluation of the alternative combination of services referenced as Alternative A & C of the staff report, and to return in forty-five days with a progress report and in ninety days with deal points. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

The Mayor opened discussion on the commercial collection aspect of the proposal, immediately leading to a motion by Councilmember Holbrook to have the City's Solid Waste Division be the sole collector, excluding roll-aways. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion by Councilmember Genser, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem

Katz, directing staff to look into options for commercial collection of solid waste, including the City or the City and one or two private companies, specifically Athens Services and Southern California Disposal. The motion failed by the following vote:

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

**STAFF ITEMS:**  
**TRANSPORTATION**  
**STRATEGIES IN LUCE**  
**PROCESS**

**8-A: Planning principles for the industrial areas and transportation strategies in the Land Use and Circulation Element Update process** - recommendation to endorse the proposed "Industrial Lands Principles"; comment on the concepts presented at the first Transportation Workshop and endorse general approach for development of Principles for the next transportation workshop.

On order of the Mayor, and with consensus of Councilmembers, this matter was continued to November 13, 2007.

**COUNCIL ITEMS:**  
**SANTA MONICA BAY**  
**RESTORATION**  
**COMMISSION**

**13-A: Request of Councilmembers O'Connor and Shriver that the City Council: 1) Support the election of Mayor Bloom for an additional term as a voting representative to the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission Board of Governors, 2) support the election of Mayor Bloom to the position of Commission Chair, and; 3) direct staff to provide related assistance.**

There was no one present for public comment.

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Councilmember Shriver, to approve request. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**APPOINTMENT**

**13-B: Appointment to one unscheduled vacancy on the Pier Restoration Corporation Board of Directors for a term ending November 13, 2010.**

There was no one present for public comment.

On order of the Mayor, and with consensus of Councilmembers, this item was continued.

**APPOINTMENT**

**13-C: Appointment to one special vacancy on the Bayside District Corporation for a term ending June 30, 2010.**

There was no one present for public comment.

On order of the Mayor, the floor was opened for nominations to the Bayside District Corporation.

Councilmember Genser nominated Todd Daniel Flora.

Mayor Pro Tem Katz nominated David Howard Houston.

Mr. Flora was appointed by the following vote:

Flora: Councilmembers Genser, O'Connor, McKeown, Mayor Bloom  
Houston: Councilmembers Holbrook, Shriver, Mayor Pro Tem Katz.

Councilmembers Shriver, Holbrook and Mayor Pro Tem Katz requested to change their vote to Mr. Flora for a unanimous appointment.

**FREQUENCY OF  
COUNCIL MEETINGS  
AND COMPENSATION**

**13-D: Request of Mayor Bloom that the Council consider providing direction to staff regarding amending existing law relating to frequency of council meetings and evaluating city council compensation and staffing.**

Member of the public Joe Natoli discussed various aspects of the item.

Motion by Mayor Bloom, seconded by Councilmember Shriver, to direct staff to return with information on how to shorten the length of meetings and to provide an evaluation of Council compensation. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers McKeown, O'Connor, Genser,  
Shriver, Holbrook, Mayor Pro Tem Katz, Mayor  
Bloom

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

**OPPOSITION OF  
OCEAN WAY LNG  
TERMINAL**

**13-E: Request of Councilmember McKeown that the City Council oppose the Ocean Way LNG Terminal proposed for construction off Santa Monica Bay, and convey Santa Monica's opposition to appropriate authorities.**

Member of the public Joe Natoli expressed his concerns and Marc Carrel, representative of Jane Harman's office, spoke in support of the motion.

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem

Katz, to approve request. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

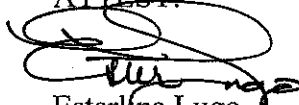
**PUBLIC INPUT:**

Members of the public Melvin Ross and Pro Se discussed various issues and concerns.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On order of the Mayor, the City Council meeting was adjourned at 11:52 p.m., in memory of Robert Ayres.

ATTEST:

  
Esterlina Lugo  
Acting City Clerk

APPROVED:

  
Richard Bloom  
Mayor