

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

**MARCH 11, 2008**

A special meeting of the Santa Monica City Council was called to order by Mayor Katz at 5:59 p.m., on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at City Council Chambers, 1685 Main Street.

Roll Call:     Present:     Mayor Herb Katz  
                                  Councilmember Ken Genser  
                                  Councilmember Robert T. Holbrook  
                                  Councilmember Kevin McKeown  
                                  Councilmember Bobby Shriver

                                  Absent:     Mayor Pro Tem Richard Bloom  
  Councilmember Pam O'Connor

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

**CONVENE**

On order of the Mayor, the City Council convened to a special meeting at 5:59 p.m., with Mayor Pro Tem Bloom and Councilmember O'Connor absent.

The following members of the public spoke in opposition to the proposed removal of ficus trees: Chris Paine, Jerry Rubin, Freida Rubin, Paul Sand, Gillian Ware, Cosmo Bua, Bill McCarthy, Jon Mann, James Quinn, Daniel Jansenson, Susan Hartley, Katy Dougherty, Michael Lindley, Liz Grenberger, Kathleen Hyden, Scott Smith, Charles Fredricks, Mark Gibney, Louise Steiner, and Lisa Bakewell.

On order of the Mayor, the City Council recessed at 6:34 p.m., to consider the following closed session:

**CLOSED SESSION:**

**2-A:   Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation:  
Treesavers v. City Of Santa Monica, SC Case No. BS 111 346.**


On order of the Mayor, the City Council reconvened at 7:42 p.m., with Mayor Pro Tem Bloom and Councilmember O'Connor absent.

The City Attorney reported that the closed session was discussed and no reportable action was taken.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On order of the Mayor, the Special City Council meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Maria M. Stewart  
City Clerk

APPROVED:

  
Herb Katz  
Mayor