

CITY OF SANTA MONICA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

JULY 1, 2008

A special meeting of the Santa Monica City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Bloom at 5:50 p.m., on Tuesday, July 1, 2008, at City Council Chambers, 1685 Main Street.

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

Absent: Mayor Herb Katz
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 Pro Tem, the City Council convened at 5:50 p.m., with Councilmember Shriver and Mayor Katz absent. City Clerk Maria Stewart led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLOSED SESSIONS: Members of the public Pro Se and Brian Hutchings commented and opined on closed sessions.

On order of the Mayor Pro Tem the City Council recessed at 6:01 p.m., and reconvened at 6:45 p.m., with Councilmember Shriver and Mayor Katz absent, to report the following:

2-A: Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation: In the Matter of Compliance with Federal Obligations by the City of Santa Monica, California, FAA Docket No. 16-02-08 and City of Santa Monica v. Solco, et al., USCA 9th Circuit Case No. 08-72192.

ACTION: Heard. No reportable action taken.

2-B: Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation:

United States of America and Peters v. City of Santa Monica, USDC, Case No. CV08-02695 CW (Ex) and USCA 9th Circuit Case No. 08-55869.

ACTION: Heard. No reportable action taken.

COUNCIL ITEMS:

Councilmember McKeown was excused at 6:50 p.m.

On order of the Mayor Pro Tem, Item 13-A to be heard out of order to allow public comment by students present.

13-A: Request of Mayor Pro Tem Bloom that the City Council allocate \$12,000, or such amount as the council deems appropriate, to facilitate travel expenses for the Santa Monica High School's SAGE (Students for the Advancement of Global Entrepreneurship) team, that will be competing for the International World Cup to be held in Nigeria in July, 2008.

Councilmember McKeown advised he was recusing himself from this matter to avoid any appearance of a conflict of interest related to his employment by the School District.

Members of the public Alberto De Pablo, Brian Hutchings, Neil Carrey, and Anita Kemp spoke in support of the request.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Bloom, seconded by Councilmember Genser, to approve request. Recommendation to approve Contract No. 8964 (CCS) was approved by the following vote:

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

STAFF ITEMS:

Councilmember McKeown returned at 7:04 p.m.

8-A: Land Use and Circulation Element (LUCE) Strategy Framework and Supplemental Report - recommendation that Council review the LUCE Strategy Framework, and based upon the review and Planning commission and community input, endorse the Framework with appropriate comments and direct the staff to proceed with economic, transportation and environmental analysis and evaluation, was presented.

Members of the public Pro Se, Joey Fullmer, Brian Hutchings, Ted Winterer, Neil Carrey, Betsy Hiteshaw, Irene Zivi, Tom Larmore, Michael Faizam, Mike Feinstein, David Hibbert, Bruce Cameron, Reina Alvarez, Michael Folonis and Jao Katagiri commented on

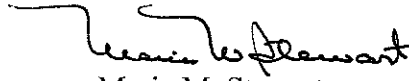
various aspects of the framework and their effects, provided suggestions and ideas, and expressed concerns.

Discussion was held on the presentation. After discussion, on order of the Mayor Pro Tem, the information was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT:

On order of the Mayor Pro Tem, the City Council meeting was adjourned at 10:46 p.m., in memory of Jane Sure.

ATTEST:



Maria M. Stewart
City Clerk

APPROVED:



Richard Bloom
Mayor Pro Tem