

CITY OF SANTA MONICA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

JULY 22, 2008

A special meeting of the Santa Monica City Council was called to order by Mayor Katz at 5:33 p.m., on Tuesday, June 22, 2008, at City Council Chambers, 1685 Main Street.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Herb Katz
Mayor Pro Tem Richard Bloom
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 5:33 p.m., with all members present. City Attorney Marsha Jones Moutrie led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLOSED SESSIONS:

Member of the public Jerry Rubin commented on the closed evaluation and complimented City employees.

On order of the Mayor, the City Council recessed at 5:41 p.m, to the closed session and reconvened at 7:21 p.m., with all members present to report the following:

2-A: **Public Employee Evaluations.**
Title of Employee: City Manager

ACTION: Heard. No reportable action taken.

**MAIN STREET LIGHT
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT**

On order of the Mayor and with consensus of Council, this matter was heard out of order.

9-B: **Main Street Lighting Assessment District - recommendation**

to hold a public hearing, accept the results of the certified canvass, and adopt Resolution No. 10325 (CCS) entitled: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA CONFIRMING THE RESULTS OF THE BALLOT TABULATION FORMING THE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS FOR FY 2008-09"; and authorize a loan in the amount of up to \$132,000 for the acquisition of replacement bulbs for the festoon lighting, was presented.

On order of the Mayor, the public hearing was opened.

Members of the public Joe Pipersky, Gary Gordon, Anthony Schmidt, Jerry Rubin and Olivia Brown spoke in support of the project.

On order of the Mayor, the public hearing was closed.

On order of the Mayor, this matter was continued to later in the meeting to allow the City Clerk's staff to tabulate the ballots received and report the results.

STAFF ITEMS:

8-A: Land Use and Circulation Element (LUCE) Strategy Framework - 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 Joey Fullmer, Marc Luzzalto, Jeanine Harrington, Ellen Brennan, Jim Ries, Jay Johnson, Tom Larmore, Catherine Eldridge, Jerry Rubin, Neil Shekhter, Adam Swendrak, Patricia Hoffman, Gleam Davis, Todd Flora, Sonya Sultan, Michael Tarbet, Susan Hartley, tom Cleys, Greg Ames and Evelyn Pandey commented on various aspects of the proposed framework, expressed concerns, and provided ideas and suggestions.

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Mayor Katz, that for the purpose of proceeding to the environmental, economic and transportation analysis of the LUCE Strategy Framework, the Department of Planning and Community Development's (PCD's) revised concept for Wilshire Boulevard, as depicted on Slides 30 and 34 of the PowerPoint presentation as posted on the City Council agenda web site for July 22, 2008, at:
(<http://www01.smgov.net/cityclerk/council/agendas/2008/20080722/s2008072208->

A-5.pdf) shall be considered the outside physical parameter(s) for the purpose of analysis of the LUCE. These include evaluating the reduced building heights, lower building heights at the street front, building stepbacks consistent with the existing zoning and office limitation above the first floor (except at the 14th Street and Centinela Activity Centers and the south side of Wilshire from 14th Street to 23rd Street within the proposed Healthcare Specific Plan boundaries). The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Mayor Katz, that for the purpose of proceeding to the environmental, economic and transportation analysis of the LUCE Strategy Framework, PCD's revised concept for Santa Monica Boulevard and Broadway, including the reduced height recommendation for Mixed Use Boulevard Low and General Commercial; and for Broadway, the Mixed Use Boulevard Low and the Activity Center Low; as depicted in slides 38, 41, 45 and 48 of the Powerpoint presentation shall be considered the outside physical parameter(s) for the purpose of analyzing of the LUCE. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Mayor Katz, that for the purpose of proceeding to the environmental, economic and transportation analysis of the LUCE Strategy Framework, PCD's revised concept for reduced height for Colorado Boulevard, as depicted in slide 52 of the Powerpoint presentation shall be analyzed as the outside parameter for the LUCE. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Mayor Katz, that

for the purpose of proceeding to the environmental, economic and transportation analysis of the LUCE Strategy Framework, PCD's revised concept for reduced height for Mixed Use Boulevard Low and Neighborhood Commercial along Pico Boulevard, as depicted in slide 52 of the Powerpoint presentation shall be considered the outside physical parameter(s) for the purpose of analyzing of the LUCE. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bloom, that for the purpose of proceeding to the environmental, economic and transportation analysis of the LUCE Strategy Framework, PCD's revised concept for Ocean Park Boulevard (excluding the Santa Monica Business Park) to maintain the current Neighborhood Commercial (32' height) shall be considered the outside physical parameter(s) for the purpose of analyzing the LUCE. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Mayor Katz, that for the purpose of proceeding to the environmental, economic and transportation analysis of the LUCE Strategy Framework, PCD's revised concept for reduced height for the site at the intersection of Ocean Park Boulevard and Lincoln Boulevard, as depicted in slide 59 of the Powerpoint presentation shall be considered the outside physical parameter(s) for the purpose of analyzing the LUCE. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Mayor Katz, that

for the purpose of proceeding to the environmental, economic and transportation analysis of the LUCE Strategy Framework, PCD's revised concept for the Bergamot Transit Village District, as depicted in slide 67 of the Powerpoint presentation shall be considered the outside physical parameter(s) for the purpose of analyzing the LUCE. The concept is amended to analyze: 1) an average height range from 55 to 65 feet, limiting the area above 55' to 35% to 50% of the building footprint; 2) the mix of commercial to housing ratio ranging from 60/40 to 40/60 percent; and 3) inclusion of dedicated bike routes and shuttle connections. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Mayor Katz, that for the purpose of proceeding to the environmental, economic and transportation analysis of the LUCE Strategy Framework, PCD's revised concept for Mixed Use Creative District, as depicted in slide 72 of the Powerpoint presentation shall be considered the outside physical parameter(s) for the purpose of analyzing the LUCE. This concept is amended to evaluate a mix of creative arts and light industrial uses with some level of residential and neighborhood serving commercial in ratios ranging from 60/40 to 40/60 percent. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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

NOES: Councilmembers Shriver, Genser, McKeown

ABSENT: None

On order of the Mayor, this portion of the Council meeting to be continued to Thursday, July 24.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

DOWNTOWN

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

9-A: **Property Based Assessment District (PBAD) Election results (Downtown Management Plan)** - recommendation to accept the certified canvass of the results of the assessment district election; adopt resolution approving Engineer's Report and Levying Assessments; direct staff to return for authorization to enter into agreements necessary to implement the PBAD.

On order of the Mayor, this matter to be continued to July 24, 2008.

MAIN STREET LIGHT ASSESSMENT DISTRICT (CONT'D) Having received a certified copy of the canvass of the election from the City Clerk, the Mayor reopened this matter:

9-B: **Main Street Lighting Assessment District** - recommendation to hold a public hearing and adopt Resolution No. 10325 (CCS) entitled: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA CONFIRMING THE RESULTS OF THE BALLOT TABULATION FORMING THE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS FOR FY 2008-09"; and authorize a loan in the amount of up to \$132,000 for the acquisition of replacement bulbs for the festoon lighting.

Staff presented the results of the election and recommended Council take action based on the majority vote in favor of the project.

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

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

WRITTEN REQUESTS: 12-A: **Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District summary of the activities to date and planned future activities to support students with special needs and their families and request that the City release the \$529,779 withheld in the FY2007/2008 Budget.**

On order of the Mayor, and at the request of the School District, this matter was withdrawn.

COUNCIL ITEMS:
APPOINTMENTS 13-A: **Annual Appointments to Boards and Commissions for terms ending June 30, 2008.**

Board/Commission	No. of Appts.	Term Ending
Airport Commission	1	6/30/2012
Architectural Review Board	2	6/30/2012
Arts Commission	6	6/30/2012
Bayside District Corporation	1	6/30/2012

Building and Safety	2	6/30/2012
Comm. Senior Community	2	6/30/2012
Comm. Status of Women	2	6/30/2012
Disabilities Commission	3	6/30/2012
Housing Commission	1	6/30/2012
Landmarks Commission	2	6/30/2012
Library Board	1	6/30/2012
Personnel Board	1	6/30/2012
Planning Commission	2	6/30/2012
Recreation & Parks Commission	3	6/30/2012
Social Services Commission	2	6/30/2012

On order of the Mayor, this matter was continued to July 24.

**CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE**

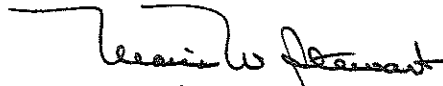
13-B: Request of Mayor Herb Katz that the City become a member of the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce.

On order of the Mayor, this matter was continued to July 24.

ADJOURNMENT:

On order of the Mayor, the City Council meeting was adjourned at 10:54 p.m., in memory of Arlene Morgan, Joseph Lutz, and Madeleine Stoner.

ATTEST:



Maria M. Stewart
City Clerk

APPROVED:



Richard Bloom
Mayor Pro Tem