

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 24, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Highland was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor McCallon at the Donahue Council Chambers, 27215 Base Line, Highland, California.

The invocation was given by Tim Evans of The Unforgettables Foundation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilwoman Scott.

ROLL CALL

Present: Lilburn, McCallon, Racadio, Scott, Timmer
Absent: None

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

No reportable action

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Mayor McCallon presented Assistant Public Works Director Zamano with a Proclamation proclaiming April 27, 2012, as Arbor Day.

Mayor McCallon recited a proclamation proclaiming April 24, 2012, and each year after as a day of remembrance of the Armenian Genocide in the City of Highland.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

A MOTION was made by Councilman Racadio, seconded by Councilman Timmer, to approve the consent calendar as submitted with the exception of Item #3 being pulled for further discussion and with Councilwoman Scott abstaining from Item #4 and dissenting on Item #6. Motion carried on a roll call vote, 5-0.

1. Waive the Reading of All Ordinances
Waived the reading of all Ordinances in their entirety and read by title only.

2. Minutes – April 10, 2012 City Council Special Meeting
Approved the Minutes as submitted.
4. Warrant Register
Approved Warrant Register No. 540 for April 24, 2012, in the amount of \$2,207,250.20 and Payroll of \$78,446.45.
5. Treasurer’s Report for March
Received and filed the Treasurer’s Report for March 2012.
6. Application for State Grant Under the Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA) Program
Adopted Resolution No. 2012-010 approving the application for grant funds from the State Bicycle Transportation Account grant program for the Bikeway Circulation, Signage and Way-Finding Improvements Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-010
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND,
CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM
THE STATE BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION ACCOUNT FOR BIKEWAY
CIRCULATION, SIGNAGE AND WAY-FINDING IMPROVEMENTS

ITEM PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

3. Minutes – April 10, 2012 City Council Regular Meeting

Councilwoman Scott stated on page 5 of 6, the last sentence, states staff and Council Members attended the City County Conference in Lake Arrowhead in March. She believes this should be clarified because not all staff nor did all Council Members attend.

Councilman Timmer suggested changing the sentence to read some staff and some Council Members attended the City County Conference in Lake Arrowhead.

Councilwoman Scott agreed.

A MOTION was made by Councilwoman Scott, seconded by Councilman Racadio, to approve the Minutes as amended. Motion carried, 5-0.

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

7. Resolution No. 2012-011 Fixing the Highland Paramedic Special Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2012-13

Mayor McCallon opened the public hearing.

City Manager Hughes stated this is our annual fixing of the Highland Paramedic Special Tax. This tax was approved back when fire and paramedic services were provided under County Service Area 38 and were provided under this District. As the Council is aware, the City of Highland detached from CSA 38 and taxing authority for this paramedic special tax came to the City. Staff is recommending the tax rate stay the same which is \$19 per individual dwelling unit and \$38 per commercial unit.

Mayor McCallon called for any speakers in favor or in opposition of this item. Hearing none, he closed the public hearing.

Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn stated she knows about three years ago a special committee was formed to possibly bring together a special tax for the residents to make up the difference needed. Due to the economy, it was decided to put this item aside. Is there any thought of revisiting this item?

Councilman Timmer stated the issue is warranted and we need to continue to think about this but we have to recognize the way the economy is and having to spend \$40,000 to \$50,000 to run a special election is not a good idea.

Councilwoman Scott stated also in 1986 the population was 25,000 and so we have had a tremendous growth in residency and businesses which are helping to pay for the tax. Since our paramedics are the ones that answer the call and it's their supplies they use and then there's another company who transports to the hospitals. She would like to see our paramedics be the transport and cut out the middle man.

Councilman Racadio stated in 1985 or 1986, how much of the paramedic cost did the tax generate. Now it is a third, was it 100%?

City Manager Hughes stated it actually created a reserve fund. When we detached from CSA 38, we actually got the reserve fund. Now we calculate the way those funds are expended differently. We consider all the fully burdened costs.

A MOTION was made by Councilman Racadio, seconded by Councilwoman Scott, to adopt Resolution No. 2012-011 fixing the Highland Paramedic Special Tax rate for Fiscal Year 2012-13. Motion carried, 5-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-011
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF HIGHLAND, CALIFORNIA,
FIXING THE HIGHLAND PARAMEDIC SPECIAL TAX
RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-13

CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE

8. Funding of City Staff for World Changers 2012

Community Development Director Jaquess gave a brief review of the staff report.

Councilman Racadio stated he feels the way the economy is and the loss of redevelopment that a program such as this is what we need to continue doing.

Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn inquired if this item went before the Finance Subcommittee for consideration.

City Manager Hughes stated this will have to be funded from reserves.

Councilman Timmer stated he too feels this is a good program for our City. Under the project costs, it lists a whole bunch of items, more than \$6,000, where does the difference come from.

City Manager Hughes stated those are project costs which would no longer be incurred. That list reflects when we did the full program but we are not going to be doing those things now.

Councilman Timmer stated essentially the \$6,000, which World Changers will be providing, is for the paint, paint brushes and covers. They will do everything cost wise within the \$6,000 budget.

Community Development Director Jaquess stated correct.

Councilwoman Scott stated so we are paying for the staff time in the amount of \$4,640 and is the \$6,000 from World Changers going to take care of the materials.

City Manager Hughes stated all they are going to do is paint exteriors of homes.

Economic Development Specialist Stater stated staff is looking at two areas. The World Changers Construction Crew Chief is coming out next week but the areas which are being considered are south of Base Line and west of Victoria. It would be a continuation of the NPG program.

A MOTION was made by Councilman Racadio, seconded by Councilwoman Scott, to approve the administrative costs in the amount of \$4,640 for staff to support the administration of World Changers 2012. Motion carried, 5-0.

9. Interlocal Agreement Concerning Distribution of the 2012 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Award

Councilwoman Scott stated Item #3 the expenditure of \$9,900 for two large screen monitors, laptop computers, etc. Last month we approved \$3,504.78 for a 70-inch Sharp television which she was told was going to do the same thing these monitors are going to do.

City Manager Hughes stated the 70-inch screen is located in the training room and the monitors will be located in the multi-purpose room and will also be used in our EOC.

A MOTION was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn, seconded by Councilman Racadio, to:

1. Authorize the City Manager to sign the Interlocal Agreement Concerning Distribution of the 2012 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Award;
2. Authorize the Director of Administrative Services to complete any necessary documentation to complete the grant process;
3. Authorize the expenditure of the grant award of \$9,900 for the purchase of two (2) large screen monitors, a laptop computer, speakers, etc., and Special Project over-time (\$8,026) in the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) 2012/2013 budget; and
4. Authorize the following budget adjustment for 2012/2013: Revenue - 026.8480.9360 \$17,926 (JAG grant revenue) & Expenditures - 026.8480.4203 \$9,900 (Office Equipment) & 026.8480.4560 \$8,026 (Contract Services-Sheriff). Motion carried, 5-0.

10. Disposal of 1982 American LaFrance Fire Engine

City Manager Hughes gave a brief review of the staff report.

Councilwoman Scott asked why we are still spending funds on this engine.

City Manager Hughes stated we are disposing of the engine; we are not spending funds on this engine.

Councilwoman Scott stated when she sent the email and she asked for the breakdown; which engine is 541?

Administrative Analyst Rissmiller stated 541 would be about a 2002 or 2003 American La France. This engine is about 20 years older than that. The one Councilwoman Scott is referring to is the American La France which we bought after the City took over fire protection from CSA 38. He believes that was the second new engine we bought. We have not spent any funds on this engine in four years.

A MOTION was made by Councilman Racadio, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn, to:

1. Declare the 1982 American LaFrance fire engine (California License Plate 786853 and VIN# 1AFAD1186C1A17570) as surplus to the needs of the City; and
2. Determine that the value of the vehicle is minimal; and
3. Authorize the disposal of the vehicle by any of the following methods:
 - a. Competitive bid or auction; or
 - b. By donation to a governmental entity; or
 - c. By donation to a community non-profit organization; or
 - d. Selling the vehicle for scrap metal value. Motion carried, 5-0.

11. Update on SANBAG, SCAG, Omnitrans, Work Program and Regional/Legislative Issues/Development Issues/Subcommittees/AB 1234 Updates

None

12. San Bernardino International Airport Authority and IVDA

Councilman Racadio stated the City was actively engaged in trying to join IVDA and be a part of it. The City made a very reasonable proposal of an area to be put in the IVDA bearing in mind that if it was in there we could not put it into our redevelopment agency. That amount of land was more than Loma Linda and Colton combined and we were told by the two co-chairs that it was not enough. SBIAA has a new auditing firm Brown, Armstrong Accountancy Corporation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 25, 2012	Walk to School Day - Cypress Elementary
April 26, 2012	Arbor Day - Community Park
April 28, 2012	Dedication – Police Station
May 19, 2012	Highland Improvement Team Clean up
May 21, 2012	Blood Drive – Jerry Lewis Community Center

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Mayor McCallon adjourned the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

Submitted By:

Approved By:

Betty Hughes, MMC
City Clerk

Larry McCallon
Mayor