

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2013 - 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 Bishop David Denkers of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor McCallon.

ROLL CALL

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

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

No Reportable Action

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

A MOTION was made by Councilman Racadio, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn, to approve the consent calendar as submitted with the exception of Item #3 being pulled for further discussion. 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. Warrant Register
Approved Warrant Register No. 557 for February 26, 2013, in the amount of \$843,786.56 and Payroll of \$74,257.28.

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

3. Bid Award – Bid No. 2012-12 “Landscape Maintenance Contract”

Councilwoman Scott asked how many landscape maintenance district contracts do we currently have? Do we have one or two? She is aware some take care of the medians and some take care of the other items.

Assistant Public Works Director Zamano stated we have two separate contractors. One who maintains the landscape maintenance districts and then we have a second contractor who maintains the City facilities.

Councilwoman Scott stated she is really concerned with the cost. Especially when the bid came in and we rejected it and then we are putting in all these medians down Base Line. This will just add to the cost of landscaping and maintenance for years and years. She would like to have a ballpark figure on what the new medians are going to cost, how much is going to be added to this contract as soon as the medians are finished.

City Engineer Wong stated we estimate the water and labor cost to maintain the new medians on Base Line would be about \$7,000 a year.

Councilwoman Scott stated about \$7,000 a year and this will come from Cole to the 210 Freeway.

City Engineer Wong stated yes. This project will also build parkway landscaping, but the parkway landscaping will be paid for by the property owners.

Councilwoman Scott stated this will be a cost to the City each year and this will come from the General Fund. Also, it states we will be short and a loan from the City's General Fund will have to be added to it. How much from the General Fund is going to be added to honor this contract of \$95,680.00?

City Engineer Wong stated every year the City has an annual report done for the landscape maintenance district and for the past few years there are certain annexations that have a negative balance and we know we have to deal with this situation. As a matter of fact, the current Work Program has a work item which will work on this issue.

Councilwoman Scott asked if we have been in the negative for several years and it is either cut down the service or raise the fees, why are we continuing to put in medians?

City Manager Hughes stated the new medians, we have learned from past errors, and have put in escalator quotes into the assessment amounts. The newer assessment districts actually pay for themselves. It is the older districts, when the City initially started; those are the ones who are upside down.

A MOTION was made by Councilman Timmer, seconded by Councilman Racadio, to award the contract for Bid No. 2012-12 "Landscape Maintenance Contract" to Common Area Maintenance Service, Inc., dba CAM Services. Motion carried, 4-0, with Councilwoman Scott abstaining.

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

4. Public Hearing for the Allocation of the City of Highland's Community Development Block Grant Funds for Fiscal Year 2013-2014

Mayor McCallon opened the public hearing.

Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn stated she would like to abstain and remove herself from the Dias due to a conflict of interest as her Agency, The Senior Center, submitted an application to receive funds.

Economic Development Specialist Stater stated the County on behalf of HUD accepted applications for CDBG in November and all eligible applications have been forwarded to the City for prioritization. The City's allocation was reduced by approximately 10% from last fiscal year. She would like to direct Council's attention to page 19 of the Staff Report. There are two tables listed on page 19, the first table is the non-public service, also referred to as the Capitol Projects and the second table is public service. The City's total allocation this year was \$351,607.00. HUD guidelines do not permit any more than 20% of this amount to be used for public service. You will notice on the second table at the bottom is an amount of \$52,741.00 which is the total permitted allocation for public service. You can allocate less but this is the maximum. As a reflection of this, the first table, the non-public service total, she would like to make a correction to this. On the table the bottom line reads \$298,886 and it should be \$298,866.

Councilwoman Scott asked regarding the Neighborhood Revitalization, reading the other things we have here, does this funding request include Staff?

Economic Development Specialist Stater stated yes, it does.

Mayor McCallon called for the speakers requesting to speak on this item.

Ms. Judy Sbardellati, Highland Library, stated she believes she doesn't need to present any kind of little convincing talk, because Highland has always supported literacy. She would like to speak about a new approach that they are taking to make literacy more effective, and to have a farther reach in the Community. Beginning March 7, 2013, she is going to be doing cross training with Staff. Up to this point only one staff person has been assigned literacy duties and if that person was absent and a literacy learner would happen to come in, there might be problems. So cross-training would provide a little sensitivity training to all staff, to extend the invitation, to help that learner or tutor through the elementary processes of filling out the application and the different requests we need. Also, they are extending the orientation process for tutors, making it more available for

them, as in the past there has been one set time per month, and we are moving into being flexible and letting them come in when they can. Also, we are getting greater support from Library Administration which the SBCL has not enjoyed in past times, and that is through providing each branch with poor curriculum materials. This is expensive curriculum and it's very particular and specific to the literacy needs of learners. It's called Voyager and will be augmented by another product which is called Lawbook. She urges to consider, once again, providing literacy support for the residents of Highland and working together with the Library as we reach out a little stronger, a little more proactive in contacting both literacy learners and tutors. The goals so far have annually been 36 per year and we have five months to go. Thirty-one have already met, and we are not talking about goals or target numbers anymore. We are talking about literacy services as a commitment of total library services.

Ms. Catrine Houston, Board President for Highland Senior Center, stated she would like to take this opportunity to update the City Council on the Center's current and ongoing activities to continue to be supported through the CDBG funds. Knowing the shortcomings of the State and their fiscal irresponsibilities they know how valuable the CDBG funds are to the City and those recipients that will be serving. Historically the Highland City Council has and continues to financially support the Center with CDBG funds. As you know, the Highland Senior Center receives no funding through the City of Highland's General Budget, therefore making these funds extremely vital to the Center, and with that being said, the Center continues to be recognized as the largest and most active Senior Center around. It was also Business of the Year in 2011 through the Highland Chamber of Commerce. This year has been extremely busy for the Center; Legislation was passed with efforts for the Senator Bob Dutton for a 20 year lease for the Center's lease with the State of California. This was a lengthy process and it was just approved. They feel it is due to the many quality of life programs the Center continues to offer and provide for the Community. Programs such as quality of life programs, physical fitness classes, social events and activities and there are transportation assistance services. This program is where they provide transportation for homebound seniors to doctor's appointments, the pharmacy, hair appointments, grocery store and many other vital appointments. In addition to the above-mentioned, other services are visitation and our phone pal program, nutritional daily lunch program with the new free food bank from Wal-Mart which is offered three days a week, twenty-five classes with a new class added in Genealogy which is taught by the Latter Day Saints Church in Highland. They participate in these many activities between the hours of 7am and 5pm. The Highland Senior Center had over 350 new members during their 2012 year, which has reached an all time high of 3,600 members. In an effort to keep each Council Member abreast of their activities and programs, a

monthly newsletter is mailed to them directly. Of course, they ask for Council to take the opportunity to read all the wonderful programs and activities offered to the seniors. Their Center remains to be the most active and largest participated Senior Center in the Inland Empire. They are the only Senior Center who offers a transportation assistance program and friendly visitor program. Again, she would like thank you all for the continued support to the Senior Center and to please continue their much needed fund request.

Councilwoman Scott inquired of the 3,600 members, how many are actually Highland residents?

Ms. Catrinea Houston responded actually 3,400 are current members and that does not include the people who come for the lunch and other activities that are not members, 70% are the City of Highland, which is approximately 2,380 people.

Mr. Tony CiFuentes, Highlanders Boxing Club, stated it is an honor to be here tonight. He is the founder and the head coach of the Highlanders Boxing Club and they are very appreciative of the grant from last year. They are moving forward to this year and really appreciate what the Council is doing with the Community and the kids. As it is, they are still helping out kids, and they are helping the Community and they keep going forward with the program. From last year to now, they have sponsored at least 24 more kids and that has helped a lot with Council's support. As far as them going forward, they are really happy the City of Highland keeps supporting these kids; these kids are fighting for this City and just are very thankful Council keeps supporting the team.

Councilwoman Scott inquired regarding the number of members, she knows something was written down, and how many are Highland residents?

Mr. Tony CiFuentes responded he believes 26 of those kids that are sponsored are from Highland.

Councilwoman Scott inquired okay, 26 out of how many?

Mr. Tony CiFuentes responded out of 60 kids.

Ms. Brenda Sillsbury stated she is a Highlanders Boxing Mom. Her family has been going to Highlanders for two years and she has two sons, 14 and 8. The little one has special behavior issues, and Highlanders Boxing Club is the only place that has never kicked him out. The changes in her older son's behavior since he has been going to the Highlanders Boxing Club have been at school which he is not getting into as many fights, he's not getting suspended as much and at home he has learned how to be more respectful, which is a really big deal in her house. In the Community, he has learned to help out and understand things better and to do his part. One time, an old coach didn't shake his hand for three months and she thought it was too harsh and he was disrespectful to the

coach. He finally broke down and apologized and admitted he was wrong and then the coach shook his hand. From that day forward, he learned respect. That's what Highlanders Boxing Club has done for her family. Mr. CiFuentes and his staff specialize in at-risk youth, and they don't turn anyone away because they can't pay. They are strict, they apply discipline techniques that really work, and they are mentors and father figures for kids that don't have those in their lives right now. They keep the youth off the streets, off drugs, they show them hard work and how to be in a Community.

Mr. Cole Murphy stated he has been going to the Highlanders Boxing Club for two years. He has learned respect, the value of hard work and how to dedicate himself to a team.

Ms. Michelle Williamson, Central Little League, stated she is excited to present tonight that they are entering their eighth season at Highland Community Park. As of last night, they started over 200 players and that has been a goal for several seasons for her, to get over 200 players. She was informed they are almost at 220, so she is super excited about that. Currently there are 18 teams and their practices have just begun. The CDBG fund has helped them be successful in continuing their Little League program for the Community, the Highland residents, the children in the community within their boundaries. They service about 180 of the 220 who are in Highland. Their boundaries go to Tippecanoe which of course is labeled San Bernardino. Their CDBG fund, which they have been getting for the last eight seasons, is the reason why they are successful. They only operate off the CDBG fund, their fundraiser and their sponsors. Currently their sponsors are only that of the City Council Members of Highland and a collision center. Steve starts pounding the pavement close to January each season and then when they start getting their parents in, they all get sponsor letters to bring in sponsors letters for their league. When the snack bar opens that is what helps continue the season. With the lights and usage and maintenance fees, they endure each season and it is very hard for them to re-cooperate each time. Through the CDBG fund they look forward to that check in the mail when they get to turn in their forms, because then they know they are able to order their uniforms, pay their charter and begin their season. Their fundraiser brings in money that usually begins the season along with the CDBG funds, but each year they are still paying for their lights and usage bill and in 2012 that reached nearly \$16,000 so that is a really big bill for them, and without the CDBG fund she is not sure they could continue to be successful. She would like to thank the City Council Members that did sponsor them. Last night she received another check which put a big huge smile on her face, and as always she would like to invite Council to their opening ceremony which is March 16, which will not interfere with the Citrus Harvest Festival this year. Central Little League is her passion and she would do anything for these kids and when she comes to stand before Council, it's getting easier each season, but without that check she doesn't know that they could be successful.

Mayor McCallon inquired how many sponsorships do they get by the end of the year?

Ms. Michelle Williamson stated maybe \$2,000 to \$2,500. Maybe right now monetary donations are at \$1,500. Their fundraiser ends this Friday, and they are collecting on that. They are crossing their fingers each season. This year they have told their teams that with 100% participation in their fundraiser, for each team and a \$500 sponsorship, they will get to use the fields for practicing, which they do get to use the schools, but it's much nicer to practice on the fields, but they are also trying to cut down on lights and usage bill because that kills them every year. They are trying to get the parents to see that without the help, they can't do this.

Councilwoman Scott asked under the expenses, \$800 utilities; now what other utilities are being paid?

Ms. Michelle Williamson stated they pay the phone bill for the snack bar which services their alarm.

Councilwoman Scott asked how many months are they at the field with the snack bar?

Ms. Michelle Williamson stated about five.

Councilwoman Scott asked and the phone bill is \$800?

Ms. Michelle Williamson stated they have to keep it active year round. The security system does not operate without phone service.

Councilwoman Scott asked the \$9,000 for lights, does the Little League pay the City for the lights?

Ms. Michelle Williamson stated for the lights and usage, and last year for the 2012 season it was almost \$16,000.

Councilwoman Scott stated the snack bar is doing well, about half profit.

Ms. Michelle Williamson stated they try to make 50% on everything they sell in the snack bar.

Councilwoman Scott stated there are 18 teams. How many members and how many are from Highland?

Ms. Michelle Williamson stated almost at 220, about 180 are from Highland.

Ms. Anne Viricel, Highland Family YMCA, stated she sincerely thanks the Council for the 2012-2013 allocation of CDBG funds for the YMCA. They currently serve 4,600 community members utilizing the cost-efficient methodologies, as does the City of Highland, because they are, in fact, an extension of the City's full suite of services. The Highland YMCA is more than just the City's recreation program. As you know, they also offer outreach services for low to moderate income seniors, families, and children, with the ongoing goal of providing value-centered programs and events to benefit the entire Highland community, events such as the Annual Highland Run and programs such as Silver Sneakers. Their services have grown as their membership has grown and they now see record crowds at City events including the Highland Halloween party which brought an evening of family fun to more than 900 and the Thanksgiving Dinner Outreach event which this year fed over 370 low-income Highlanders, and breakfast with Santa where dozens of Highland children received probably the only gifts they were going to get this Christmas. Thanks to local generosity every one of these events were provided to the community free of charge, and over 95% of their participants come from right here in Highland. A recent analysis of their Teen Zone program found that participants have increased their GPA's by at least one full grade point, and last summer their Leaders in Training program saw youth receiving character building lessons and job acquisition training, including resume preparation and job interview skills, so that they can use lifelong. They are keenly aware that they would not be nearly as successful without the financial partnership with the City of Highland or without the Council's continued leadership and support. They appreciate Council's consideration of the Highland Family YMCA and the allocation of this year's CDBG fund disbursements, and they look forward to continuing to serve the City of Highland in an efficient and proactive way. They have grown, and they thank the community for growing with them.

Councilwoman Scott asked of the 4,600 members, it was stated 95% are Highlanders, but how many of these are low-income where we are subsidizing their membership?

Mr. Rob Hinderer stated they offer approximately 75% to 80% within the programs. As far as membership itself, now realizing this includes the families, the kids, Teen Zones, you are looking at 65% to 70%. Again, it's all due to the generosity and partnership.

Councilwoman Scott inquired as to the number of scholarships, how many?

Mr. Rob Hinderer responded roughly around 3,000.

Councilwoman Scott stated so we are offering better than half scholarships, and these are Highland residents.

Mr. Rob Hinderer stated yes. When we go through the numbers every month we have to go through the map to make sure they are.

Councilwoman Scott asked are you going by zip code or the actual...

Mr. Rob Hinderer stated the boundaries, because they know some zip codes look like they are Highland and they aren't and some zip codes look like they aren't and they are in Highland.

Mr. Tony CiFuentes stated those kids who are being sponsored and are from Highland, they are actually going to be competing this Saturday at a big boxing event. They would like to invite the Council Members as special honorees, so if you are able to attend it would be an honor to have you there, because these kids are representing the City of Highland and will be competing to the fullest against people from Lompoc, San Francisco, New York and Montebello. They would love to have the Council there, and he has brought tickets to the event. Also, if they go to the Nationals they will be taking the kids from Highland to Honduras to fight and that is a big deal.

Mayor McCallon called for any other speakers in favor or in opposition of this item. Seeing none, the public hearing is now closed.

Mayor McCallon stated as usual we have more applications than we have money. The Government has been reducing the CDBG monies every year and this year we have taken another 10% cut. Obviously we can't fund all the requests but he thinks it is important the Council, in his personal opinion, fund seniors and kids; those are the important elements in the community. Therefore, he is proposing we continue to fund the Senior Center like we did last year at \$23,000, we continue to fund the Little League as we did last year at \$10,000, we continue to fund the YMCA at the same level of \$10,000, and he proposes we take the rest of the money and put it in against the Highlanders Boxing Club. The reason we do that is the Library, he knows, has a great program, but it doesn't directly affect the seniors or the kids, and he believes that this money that is provided goes towards paying for a staff person and he thinks that could be handled in a different way. He thinks the Highlanders Boxing Club is providing a valuable service to the community; it is recognized by our Fire Department, our Sheriff Department, our Police Department, the Probation Department at the County and by our Congressman and Supervisors as a valuable program. What they need this money for is to pay for the rent of the building, so that is the reason he would propose they put the \$9,741 that is left over against that program.

Councilwoman Scott requested the figures again.

Mayor McCallon stated \$23,000 to the Senior Center, \$10,000 to the Central Little League, \$10,000 to YMCA and the \$9,741 to Highlanders Boxing Club.

Councilman Racadio stated he would like to see the Council look at this. We have to make a decision, but he thinks it would be more effective when we approve our package for the City at that time to have some discussion about what it is we want to accomplish with the public services, targeted areas, things we want to look at, because we come here and he would like to have some workshop time where we could talk about what it is we want to fund and how do we want to focus the money. He thinks youth and seniors are a good target. What it is the percentage of allocation that we want to go with? Also is the number of kids served, is that something we want to factor in? Is it the type of kids, he would like to see more discussion about that and not at the pressure of when we do this, but when we approved back in November when we approved our contract. Maybe workshop it and talk about what we want to accomplish. He had a little different thought this time. Mayor McCallon is talking about not funding the literacy education, he was just assuming if everything was important to us because it's going to go down every year, it's going down 11% this year and we know it's going to keep going down so we are going to have to keep making these kinds of decisions. He was thinking, why don't we just reduce everybody by the same percentage, by 11%, and do an 89% funding. Now what this does, and the challenge it might create is, it brings four programs under the \$10,000 which the County can do, but that's just their guidelines and we could press that issue. If we funded everybody at 89% of what they got last year that would create less of a challenge for any one particular program.

Councilman Timmer stated he kind of supports what we are talking about with some exceptions. He thinks all these programs support children and adults and seniors, because he knows the library program and a lot of seniors are involved in the literacy. He has a little concern also about the continuing shrinkage of the dollars and how we are going to do that. Four of the programs, historically, have been doing for a lot of years and one is a new program which has a lot of merit, but he was thinking more along the lines going with what was suggested and split the remaining dollars between the Library and the Boxing Club and keep the others basically where they were before, with the exception of the YMCA coming down a little bit to make those numbers work. Or the other alternative is, all the ones funded in the past will be reduced by a percentage of what the reduction is all the way down the line. All of them would get some funds.

Mayor McCallon stated Ms. Houston brought up an interesting point; the Senior Center receives no General Fund support at all.

Councilman Timmer stated that is not necessarily correct. They have a grant of \$400 and something thousand dollars we pay for, he apologizes, that is YMCA he was referring to, he had the wrong agency.

Mayor McCallon stated he will object to cutting the Senior Center when they don't receive any General Fund monies and some of these others do.

Councilwoman Scott stated she was kind of going by the number of memberships, etc. She went Little League \$10,000, the Boxing Club \$7,241, the Library \$5,000, Senior Center \$15,000, and the YMCA \$15,000. They are all serving different citizens.

Mayor McCallon stated he is totally opposed to reducing the Senior Center for the reason he stated. They receive no General Fund support at all whereas the YMCA does.

Councilwoman Scott stated she decreased it, Mayor McCallon had it at \$23,000. Mayor McCallon stated he knows. He wanted \$23,000 not \$15,000.

Councilwoman Scott stated that is true, but you want to be fair to everybody don't you?

Councilman Timmer stated this is becoming more difficult every year, and normally we have 10 or 15 other requests. They know we support these basic ones so they haven't even showed up in the last couple years. We are pretty much focused on these particular programs. The number keeps shrinking every year.

Councilman Racadio stated we funded Del Rosa Little League, which wasn't even in our City limits at one time, Legal Aide and the Steel Workers in Fontana but they haven't come back. One point he would like to make, and it is something he has believed in for many, many years, is he doesn't look at the amount we are funding the YMCA as giving to the YMCA. He looks at it as providing a traditional service that Cities throughout this Nation provide, which is recreation. We are getting recreation at a phenomenal rate. When he was interim City Manager of Banning, they reduced the recreation budget from \$900,000 to \$450,000 and they are half our size. They had no full-time employees and this service we get, there are four or five full time employees and tons of volunteers.

Mayor McCallon stated and no one is arguing about it, it's great; we want them to do that.

Councilman Racadio stated but he doesn't look at it as subsidy or anything of that nature. He looks at it as we are getting the benefit of that, the City residents are.

Councilwoman Scott stated as a former literacy volunteer, that is very important. The literacy services, adults and children, and she doesn't think we should cut them completely out.

Mayor McCallon stated the only reason he did is because he believes providing the money for someone to be there can be handled in a different way. It's not like we are providing scholarships to kids.

Councilwoman Scott stated it's a volunteer service; she never got paid.

Mayor McCallon stated he knows, he volunteered too and they have a lot of volunteers, so maybe they could handle it with a volunteer rather than paid staff. That is his thinking as opposed to whether we provide scholarships for those who need, to provide a facility where needy kids can go and learn character in boxing, provides scholarships to the kids at they YMCA.

Councilwoman Scott stated okay, Mayor McCallon is still at \$10,000, \$9,000, \$23,000 and \$10,000.

Mayor McCallon stated that is what he proposed.

Councilwoman Scott asked what was Councilman Timmer's proposal?

Councilman Timmer stated let him throw one out here that is kind of in the middle a little bit, \$10,000 for the Little League, \$4,500 for Highlanders Boxing Club, \$4,500 for the Library, \$23,000 for Highland Senior Center and \$10,741 for the YMCA.

Councilman Racadio stated he will second that.

Councilwoman Scott stated that is not enough for the YMCA.

Councilman Timmer stated that was about \$400 or \$500 less than they had last year.

Councilman Racadio stated he will second that, and he would really like for the Council to consider some discussion with the people involved, the stakeholders, and have some discussion. We know a year from now it's going to be even less and we are going to be fighting over it again.

Mayor McCallon stated in fact they may even do away with it.

A MOTION was made by Councilman Timmer, seconded by Councilman Racadio, to allocate Community Development Block Grant funds in the following increments: \$10,000 for the Central Little League, \$4,500 for Highlanders Boxing Club, \$4,500 for the Library Literacy Program, \$23,000 for Highland Senior Center and \$10,741 for the YMCA. Motion failed, 2-2, with Mayor McCallon and Councilwoman Scott dissenting, and Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn abstaining.

Councilman Racadio stated he will propose 89% again. Take 11% off everybody.

Councilwoman Scott stated that will just create problems next year, everybody will figure you're going to do that and they will just make their wish list that much higher.

A MOTION was made by Councilwoman Scott, seconded by Mayor McCallon, to allocate Community Development Block Grant funds in the following increments: \$10,000 for the Central Little League, \$7,741 for Highlanders Boxing Club, \$2,000 for the Library Literacy Program, \$23,000 for Highland Senior Center and \$10,000 for the YMCA. Motion failed, 2-2, with Councilman Racadio and Councilman Timmer, dissenting and Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn abstaining.

Councilman Timmer stated he would move Councilman Racadio's motion which is across the board cuts.

A MOTION was made by Councilman Racadio, seconded by Councilman Timmer, to allocate Community Development Block Grant funds in the following increments to the Public Service Projects/Programs for Fiscal Year 2013-2014: \$8,918 for the Central Little League, \$4,459 for Highlanders Boxing Club, \$8,918 for the Library Literacy Program, \$20,511 for Highland Senior Center and \$9,935 for the YMCA. Motion carried, 3-1, with Mayor McCallon dissenting and Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn abstaining.

Mayor McCallon stated the reason he voted against it is because he doesn't believe we should cut the Senior Center.

A MOTION was made by Councilwoman Scott, seconded by Councilman Racadio, to allocate Community Development Block Grant funds in the following increments to the Construction and other Community Improvement Project for Fiscal Year 2013-2014: \$123,997 to Log Number 39037, Neighborhood Revitalization Southwest Highland, and \$174,869 to Log Number 39038, Street Improvements on Newcomb Street, 11th Street, Grape Street and Cypress Street. Motion carried, 4-0, with Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn abstaining.

Councilman Timmer stated he would like to throw out a challenge to the rest of the Council to see if they could get together and come up with personal dollars to make up the difference in the Senior Center's shortfall this year.

At 6:57 p.m., Council took a brief recess

At 7:00 p.m., Council reconvened into the regular session

CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE

5. An Ordinance of the City of Highland Regulating the Unauthorized Parking of Vehicles on Property when Signs are Posted that Establish Parking Restrictions Upon the Property

A MOTION was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn, seconded by Councilman Racadio, to conduct the Second Reading and adopt Ordinance No. 375 to add Section 12.07.050 to Chapter 12.07 of Title 12 (Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places) of the Highland Municipal Code. Motion carried, 5-0.

City Clerk Hughes introduced Ordinance No. 375:

ORDINANCE NO. 375
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND,
CALIFORNIA, REGULATING THE UNAUTHORIZED PARKING OF VEHICLES
ON PROPERTY WHEN SIGNS ARE POSTED THAT ESTABLISH PARKING
RESTRICTIONS UPON THE PROPERTY AND AMENDING THE HIGHLAND
MUNICIPAL CODE

which title was read.

6. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 376, Land Use and Development Code Amendment Related to "Emergency Shelters, Supportive and Transitional Type Housing" (MCA-012-003)

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

Mr. Sesario C. Perez stated he has lived in the City of Highland since 1978 and was stationed at Norton Air Force Base. Since this time he has seen a tremendous amount of activity going on within the City of Highland. The City is something to be proud of and the Council has made this City grow great and we are still making it great. He would like to speak about what is being addressed tonight, which is the community worries about our seniors and our children. A concern of his is homelessness, especially when the person is a Veteran and also a senior and is married with five children to care for. The world is changing and our kids are expecting the Grandparents to care for their grandchildren. This person has been homeless for about four weeks and was staying in a hotel. He was able to put him in a house right now and is currently seeking assistance from the City of San Bernardino, the City of Redlands and the City of Loma Linda Veteran's Hospital. Unfortunately, they were not able to provide assistance yet, although he was able to secure food for them from various different churches. This is what has happened to one family. The other side is the civilian side and this also happens to them as well. Can the City evict a family for a heater not working properly? Could we not give them a break and provide a space heater?

A MOTION was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn, seconded by Mayor McCallon, to conduct a second reading of Ordinance No. 376 amending Title 16, Land Use and Development Code Section 16.24, Employment Districts, and adding Section 16.44.270, related to "Emergency Shelters, Supportive and Transitional Type Housing" (MCA-012-003). Motion carried, 5-0.

City Clerk Hughes introduced Ordinance No. 376:

ORDINANCE NO. 376
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND,
CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 16 OF THE HIGHLAND MUNICIPAL CODE
ESTABLISHING PROVISIONS FOR EMERGENCY SHELTERS,
TRANSITIONAL HOUSING, AND PERMANENT SUPPORT TYPE HOUSING
FACILITIES [MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT MCA-012-003]

which title was read.

7. An Ordinance of the City of Highland Prohibiting the Possession, Sale, Storage, Manufacturing and Use of Unpermitted Fireworks in the City and Providing for Penalties and Enforcement

A MOTION was made by Councilwoman Scott, seconded by Councilman Racadio, to conduct the second reading of Ordinance No. 377 to add Chapter 58 to Title 8 of the Highland Municipal Code. Motion carried, 5-0.

City Clerk Hughes introduced Ordinance No. 377:

ORDINANCE NO. 377
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND,
CALIFORNIA PROHIBITING THE POSSESSION, SALE, STORAGE,
MANUFACTURING AND USE OF UNPERMITTED FIREWORKS IN THE CITY
AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT

which title was read.

8. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 378, Land Use and Development Code Amendment Related to the Density Bonus, and Reasonable Accommodations Ordinance (MCA-011-006)

A MOTION was made by Councilman Timmer, seconded by Councilwoman Scott, to conduct a second reading of Ordinance No. 378 amending the City's Land Use and Development Code (Title 16) Chapter 16.40, Section 16.40.090 Density Bonus, and adding Chapter 16.40, Section 16.40.490 Reasonable Accommodations (MCA-011-006). Motion carried, 5-0.

City Clerk Hughes introduced Ordinance No. 378:

ORDINANCE NO. 378

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 16 (THE LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT CODE) OF THE HIGHLAND MUNICIPAL CODE, PURSUANT TO POLICIES 6B AND 18A OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND GENERAL PLAN INCLUDING SECTION 16.40.090 DENSITY BONUS, PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 65915-65918, AS WELL AS THE ADDITION OF SECTION 16.40.490 REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE, PROVIDING A PROCEDURE FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION IN THE CITY'S LAND USE AND ZONING AND BUILDING REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO FAIR HOUSING LAWS AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF

which title was read.

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

Mayor McCallon stated his efforts and the Board at SANBAG are directed towards getting a settlement in this lawsuit that has been brought against SANBAG, and they have been discussing points on the Litigation Ad Hoc Committee for SANBAG. He will be going to Washington D.C. in March for SANBAG to lobby for our Legislative platform.

Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn stated Omnitrans is continuing a Board Workshop and took over several long-term goals and continuing to discuss the SBX project. They are also in negotiations with two different unions which seem to be an ongoing negotiation.

City Manager Hughes stated the Council should have received a hard copy of the 2013-2014 Work Program document as it has been completed.

10. San Bernardino International Airport Authority and IVDA

Councilman Racadio stated they are going to approve a contract which will be handling the Airport. They will not be affiliated with the IVDA.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 5	20th Anniversary Neighborhood Watch
March 14	League of California Cities Meeting
March 21-22	City County Conference
March 30	Citrus Harvest Festival

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Mayor McCallon adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m. in memory of John Gamboa.

Submitted By:

Approved By:

Betty Hughes, MMC
City Clerk

Larry McCallon
Mayor