

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Highland was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn at the Donahue Council Chambers, 27215 Base Line, Highland, California.

The invocation was given by Blake Withers of Immanuel Baptist Church and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn.

ROLL CALL

Present: Lilburn, Racadio, Scott, Timmer
Absent: McCallon

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

No Reportable Action

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Joel Chesley stated he came before the Council last August and spoke about a situation on Pacific and Palm. There are two businesses there, the Smog business and the transmission shop. He has spoken to the smog business and was informed they had been cited once and were instructed to camouflage the eyesore of old boats, trucks and motorhomes. Nothing has been done since the cheap covering they installed disintegrated and now it looks worse than it did before. The transmission shop looks like it hasn't been painted since it's been built. The whole intersection there has a great deal of traffic passing through there and they are looking at these dilapidated buildings. Now he does realize some of these buildings are historic, but something needs to be done. Secondly, the section of Boulder between Atlantic Avenue south to Beaver Medical Center, the median has never been landscaped or maintained. He would like to know if there are any plans to update this area.

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

A MOTION was made by Councilman Racadio, seconded by Councilman Timmer, to approve the consent calendar as submitted. Motion carried on a roll call vote, 4-0, with Mayor McCallon being absent.

1. Waive the Reading of All Ordinances
Waived the reading of all Ordinances in their entirety and read by title only.
2. Minutes – September 10, 2013 City Council Regular Meeting
Approved the Minutes as submitted.
3. Warrant Register
Approved Warrant Register No. 569 for September 24, 2013, in the amount of \$386,941.64 and Payroll of \$74,984.78.

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

No Public Hearing.

CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE

4. Appoint Two (2) Members of the Public to the Community Trails Committee (CTC)

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

A MOTION was made by Councilman Racadio, seconded by Councilwoman Scott, to reappoint Anne Viricel and Margaret Wright to the Community Trails Committee. Motion carried, 4-0, with Mayor McCallon being absent.

5. Municipal Code Amendment 013-004 – Land Use and Development Code Amendment Related to Modifying Provisions for Non-Conforming Single Family Residential Uses

A MOTION was made by Councilman Timmer, seconded by Councilman Racadio, to conduct the second Reading of Ordinance No. 384. Motion carried, 3-1, with Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn dissenting and with Mayor McCallon being absent.

City Clerk Hughes introduced Ordinance No. 384:

ORDINANCE NO. 384
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND ALLOWING
NONCONFORMING HOUSES TO BE REHABILITATED, ALTERED, MOVED
OR SLIGHTLY ENLARGED OR EXPANDED ANYWHERE IN THE CITY,
APPROVING AN ENVIRONMENTAL EXEMPTION, AND AMENDING THE
HIGHLAND MUNICIPAL CODE

which title was read.

6. Acquisition of Property From San Bernardino County Flood Control District for Greenspot Road at the SR 210 Freeway Interchange

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

A MOTION was made by Councilman Racadio, seconded by Councilwoman Scott, to approve the Purchase Agreement and authorize acquisition of property from San Bernardino County Flood Control District for Greenspot Road at the SR 210 Freeway Interchange subject to final approval of the Purchase Agreement and Title Report by the City Attorney. Motion carried, 4-0, with Mayor McCallon being absent.

7. Agreement with Omnitrans Regarding Funding of Transit Stop Access Improvements in Highland

Public Works Director/City Engineer Wong gave a brief review of the staff report.

Councilman Timmer stated he assumes all these improvements are in the current City right-of-way.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Wong stated correct.

Councilwoman Scott stated the bus stop at Base Line and Central is very difficult and also the one between McDonald's and Boulder. Many times the bus will go all the way to the curb cut going into McDonald's and traffic going west cannot see the cars coming out of McDonald's because the bus is stopped there.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Wong stated the design of this bus path location would also be built by Omnitrans so they will make sure it works for them.

A MOTION was made by Councilman Racadio, seconded by Councilwoman Scott, to:

1. Approve the agreement with Omnitrans regarding Funding of Transit Stop Access improvements in Highland; and subject to City Attorney's final review; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement on behalf of the City. Motion carried, 4-0, with Mayor McCallon being absent.

8. Bid Award – Bid No. 2013-03, “Olive Street Improvements” (Project No. str09003)

Public Works Director/City Engineer Wong gave a brief review of the staff report.

Councilwoman Scott asked when will this project be completed?

Assistant Public Works Director Zamano stated the project should be completed approximately within five months from now.

Councilman Racadio stated he appreciates staff noticing the cost difference and making it an option for the City.

A MOTION was made by Councilman Timmer, seconded by Councilman Racadio, to award the bid to the low bidder, Patriot Paving, Inc., in the amount of \$497,554.00 for Bid No. 2013-03, “Olive Street Improvements.” Motion carried, 4-0, with Mayor McCallon being absent.

9. Bid Award – Bid No. 2013-04, “Highland Basin Drainage and Storm Drain Line “A” Outlet Repairs” (Project No. sdr13001)

Councilman Racadio stated he has a conflict and will be excusing himself as he is a resident of East Highlands Ranch and pays dues to the Ranch.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Wong gave a brief review of the staff report.

A MOTION was made by Councilman Timmer, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn, to award the bid to the low bidder, Scorpion Backhoe, Inc., in the amount of \$69,330.75 for Bid No. 2013-04, “Highland Basin Drainage and Storm Drain Line “A” Outlet Repairs.” Motion carried, 3-0, with Councilman Racadio abstaining due to a conflict of interest and with Mayor McCallon being absent.

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

City Manager Hughes stated he received a phone call today from Bob Pepler, who used to be the Undersheriff for the Sheriff's Department and he has been elected as President of the Redlands Bicycle Classic. Mr. Pepler inquired if Highland would be interested in reinstating the loop in Highland. While it is not a formal item, would the Council be interested in considering this request.

Councilman Racadio stated he attended the League of California Cities Annual Conference in Sacramento from September 18 to September 20. He registered and due to his shuttle reservation back to the airport, he missed the voting session and was not able to vote.

11. San Bernardino International Airport Authority and IVDA

Councilman Racadio stated invitations were sent out for the ribbon cutting ceremony of Mountain View Bridge.

ANOUNCEMENTS

American Legion Post 421 donated nine POW flags to the City

September 26
October 5

20th Annual Volunteer Dinner
Highland Sheriff Station Open House

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Mayor Pro Tem Lilburn adjourned the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

Submitted By:

Approved By:

Betty Hughes, MMC
City Clerk

Penny Lilburn
Mayor Pro Tem