

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Schroder called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with all members present except Councilmember Avila Farias who arrived shortly after roll call.

## **CLOSED SESSION (Adjourn to City Manager's Office)**

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957:  
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT -- Title: Interim Chief of Police  
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Mayor Schroder indicated that the Council will discuss Item #1, Appointment of Acting Police Chief Eric Ghisletta as Interim Police Chief and those matters as listed on the agenda in Closed Session.

The Council adjourned to the City Manager's Office.

## **RECONVENE - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - ROLL CALL**

Mayor Schroder called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

PRESENT: AnaMarie Avila Farias, Councilmember, Lara DeLaney, Councilmember, Mark Ross, Councilmember, Michael Menesini, Vice Mayor, and Rob Schroder, Mayor.  
EXCUSED: None.  
ABSENT: None.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT (Comments are limited only to items listed on the agenda)**

No comments made.

## **CITY MANAGER/CITY COUNCIL**

1. City Council consider the following:
  - A. Appointment of Acting Police Chief Eric Ghisletta as Interim Police Chief through December 31, 2014.
  - B. That during this period of interim service that the Chief shall report to the City Manager rather than the City Council.
  - C. That staff be directed to draft a proposed code amendment that would make permanent the modification of the reporting relationship between the Police Chief and City Manager positions.
  - D. Direct staff to draft an agreement for services to be returned for Council action on September 3, 2014.
  - E. The Interim Chief will continue to staff the Public Safety Subcommittee of the City Council.

On motion by Michael Menesini, Vice Mayor, seconded by Lara DeLaney, Councilmember, to approve Appointment of Acting Police Chief Eric Ghisletta as Interim Police Chief through December 31, 2014; during this period of interim service that the Chief shall report to the City Manager rather than the City Council; that staff be directed to draft a proposed code amendment that would make permanent the modification of the reporting relationship between the Police Chief and City Manager positions; direct staff to draft an agreement for services to be returned for Council action on September 3, 2014; and the Interim Chief will continue to staff the Public Safety Subcommittee of the City Council.

Councilmember DeLaney questioned the adoption of Item #1C, proposed code amendment that would make permanent the modification of the reporting relationship between the Police Chief and City Manager. She agreed with the recommendation, however, she thought that it would be approved at a later date. Mayor Schroder clarified that they agreed to approve the recommendation immediately. It would not change how the Police Chief is hired, but would change the reporting process at this point. Vice Mayor Menesini stated that it was his understanding as well; and it was important that they move forward with this principle.

Motion unanimously passed 5 - 0. Yes: AnaMarie Avila Farias, Councilmember; Lara DeLaney, Councilmember; Mark Ross, Councilmember; Michael Menesini, Vice Mayor; Rob Schroder, Mayor.

## 2. City Council/Manager Comments.

Mayor Schroder expressed his congratulations to Interim Chief Ghisletta.

Councilmember Ross echoed the Mayor's comments and asked about the bench in the Council Chambers. Vice Mayor Menesini stated that it is one of the original benches from the old train depot and apparently someone donated it to the Martinez Historical Society.

Councilmember DeLaney congratulated Interim Chief Ghisletta and stated that it was well deserved and looked forward to his continued excellent service.

Mayor Schroder clarified that part of the recommendation was that a contract be negotiated with Interim Chief Ghisletta and be brought back to the next meeting of September 3rd.

Vice Mayor Menesini expressed his congratulations noting that he has worked very hard for this and that he will be a great Interim Chief and hopefully a permanent Chief.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m. to a Special City Council Meeting (Closed Session) on August 27, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall in the City Manager's Office, 525 Henrietta Street, Martinez, CA.

Approved by the City Council,



Rob Schroder, Mayor

Mercy G. Cabral, Deputy City Clerk - 9/3/14