

## **I. WATERFRONT ALTERNATIVE ACCESS WORKSHOP**

Mayor Schroder opened the workshop at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers with all members present except Vice Mayor DeLaney who was excused.

City Engineer Tim Tucker provided a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the Martinez Waterfront Alternative Access Study. Mr. Tucker indicated that the Court Street Overcrossing was listed in the Contra Costa Transportation Authority Strategic Plan at the request of the City. City Engineer Tucker reviewed the background and funding provided to conduct the feasibility study and to identify potential environmental impacts. Mr. Tucker reviewed the vision, goals and objectives, and potential crossings and alternatives for the Court Street Overcrossing. He requested direction on the preferred alternative access.

*\*Councilmember Mark Ross arrived at 6:00 p.m.*

The Council discussed alternative accesses to the Court Street Overcrossing and answered questions from the public.

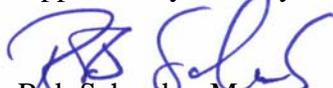
Mayor Schroder stated, for the record, that a communication was received from Kristin Henderson stating her preferred alternative for the project.

Motion to move forward with Alternative B which would provide the connection from the future Amtrak parking lot on the north side of the tracks to Berrellesa, but would not include the Berrellesa overcrossing; and try to seek monies from the Transportation Authority to commence construction. Moved by Michael Menesini, Councilmember, seconded by AnaMarie Avila Farias, Councilmember. The Council voted to approve.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m. to a Regular Council Meeting.

Approved by the City Council,

  
Rob Schroder, Mayor

Mercy G. Cabral, Deputy City Clerk -3/6/13

Regular Meeting  
February 6, 2013  
Martinez, CA

## **CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - ROLL CALL**

Mayor Schroder called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

**PRESENT:** AnaMarie Avila Farias, Councilmember, Michael Menesini, Councilmember, Mark Ross, Councilmember, Lara DeLaney, Vice Mayor, and Rob Schroder, Mayor.

**EXCUSED:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

## **PRESENTATION(S)**

A. Proclaiming March 13, 2013 as "Arbor Day".

Mayor Schroder read and presented the proclamation to Assistant City Manager Alan Shear.

B. Presentation by Mark Peterson, Contra Costa District Attorney.

Mr. Peterson indicated that he was visiting all the cities in the County to provide information about himself and the District Attorney's Office and to improve communication between the cities and the office. He provided a PowerPoint presentation reviewing his background, the mission and priorities of the office, including realignment, crime prevention, and restoring confidence and communication with the office. Mr. Peterson reviewed the work and programs of the office.

Mayor Schroder asked about budgeting trends in the future and whether the number of Deputy District Attorneys would increase. Mr. Peterson stated that the office was adequately staffed and they were working on increasing pay rates to be in line with regional averages.

Vice Mayor DeLaney thanked Mr. Peterson for his outreach to the cities. She asked for his thoughts and ideas on reducing gun violence, and Mr. Peterson stated he supported the Second Amendment but thought assault weapons could be restricted. He stated mental health care also needed to be addressed and there was no easy answer. He wanted to explore the possibility of a buy-back program similar to what was done in Marin. Vice Mayor DeLaney also asked for his thoughts on the issue of the death penalty, and he reported he was in favor, but he would be working on changes to improve the process to save money.

Councilmember Ross asked about enhanced penalties for gun use, and Mr. Peterson reported they were in place and enforced but did not seem to make a difference. Councilmember Menesini stated that most law enforcement people he knew favored them. He suggested ways to address the mental health issue.

Councilmember Avila Farias thanked Mr. Peterson for his presentation and stated she was looking forward to future collaboration to meet each other's needs.

Mr. Peterson provided brochures and a DVD on parental tracking of internet usage for each Councilmember.

- C. "Envision Tomorrow" educational partnerships between UC Berkeley and Martinez Unified School District presented by Isidro Farias & Vicki Gordon.

Ms. Vicki Gordon and Mr. Isidro Farias provided a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the "Envision Tomorrow" program, which assists struggling high school students with finding a career goal. Mr. Farias reviewed the program details and the concept of linked learning. "Envision Tomorrow" involves bringing together three traditional activities which are not usually linked: Career Days at high school, outreach pre-college programs, and internship programs, with the final goal to assist students to enter and graduate college. He explained specific details and goals of each phase and gave examples.

Mr. Farias indicated that they are beginning with 21 students from Alhambra and Vicente Martinez High Schools who will attend a two-week college experience at UC Berkeley, with the goal of motivating students toward college and a career. He reviewed the timeline of the pilot program and recognized the professional organizations that are supporting the program. Ms. Gordon stated that the program is searching for investors to fund the program. MUSD has opened a fund to which residents can donate by writing "Envision Tomorrow" in the memo line of their checks.

Councilmember Ross thanked them for the presentation. He asked if they had considered asking the DVC Foundation for support, since it had previously done programs like this to connect high school students to college. Ms. Gordon stated she would be in discussions with the Foundation. Councilmember Ross also suggested introducing the students to careers in government or law enforcement.

Vice Mayor DeLaney asked about the age of the targeted applicants, and Ms. Gordon stated they would mostly be sophomores or juniors. Vice Mayor DeLaney stated it would be good to target the students before they had given up. She suggested that the City could offer internships to the participants, and that mentor relationships are key to the students' professional development. She commended Mr. Farias and Ms. Gordon for their work.

Councilmember Menesini thanked them for the presentation and wished them luck on the program.

Councilmember Avila Farias stated the hands-on learning would be really helpful for students with whom abstract learning doesn't connect, and who sometimes fall through the cracks. She said the program was innovative and had a lot of potential for expanding to other professions and industries.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (COMPLETE SPEAKER CARD AND GIVE TO CLERK)  
Reserved only for those requesting to speak on items not listed on the Agenda.**

Tom Lewis reiterated his concerns with the conditions of the bus stops and lack of bus shelters in Martinez. Mayor Schroder suggested that he contact the County Connection Board with his concerns.

Mike Alford suggested that the City provide a workforce program for prisoners so that they can gain experience.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **MOTION WAIVING READING OF TEXT OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES.**

1. Motion approving City Council Minutes for December 19, 2012. [M.Cabral]
2. Motion rejecting Claim(s) against the City by Alex Mauricio, #13-01. [M.Cabral]
3. Motion approving Check Reconciliation Register(s) dated 01/24/2013. [C.Spinella/2.1.0]
4. Resolution No. 002A-13 supporting the renewal of the Contra Costa Recycling Market Development Zone (CCRMDZ). [M.Chandler/30.13.01]
5. Resolution No. 003-13 accepting the 2012 Martinez Marina Maintenance Dredging Project per the contract documents and instructing the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion. [D.Salts/14.05.05]
7. Resolution No. 004-13 allocating funds for the Water Treatment Plant Electrical Upgrade Project and authorizing the City Manager enter into an agreement for consultant services with Carollo Engineers to provide the design. [T.Tucker/15.16.13]

Councilmember Avila Farias requested that Item #6 be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Mayor Schroder opened Items #1 through #5 and #7 for public comment.

Mike Alford spoke on #5, asking if the dredging on C Dock was completed. Mayor Schroder stated that there had been delays in the permitting process and there had not been enough time to complete it.

Seeing no further speakers, Mayor Schroder closed public comment on the Items.

On motion by Michael Menesini, Councilmember, seconded by Lara DeLaney, Vice Mayor, to approve Items "1 through #5 and #7 of the consent calendar. Motion unanimously passed 5 - 0.

6. Resolution establishing a new salary range for the job classification of Water Treatment Plant Superintendent. [A.Shear/04.05.00&04.05.01]

Councilmember Avila Farias asked why staff had used particular cities in establishing the salary range for the position. City Manager Alan Shear stated that the position is very highly specialized and the job description matches those in the cities used for the comparison. Staff had wanted to ensure we are competitive. Councilmember Avila Farias requested more analysis and an updated job description compared with the job descriptions in other cities. City Manager Philip Vince commented on the importance of this position and of getting a quality employee soon.

Item continued to the next meeting. The Council directed staff to research more comparable cities in establishing a salary range.

Mayor Schroder opened public comment on the Item.

Mike Alford asked what the proposed salary range and increase was and thanked the Council for investigating it.

Kathy Riecher suggested determining which cities and districts would be the most likely competition for the employee the City wanted.

Tom Lewis stated he knew of jobs at the same skill level paying in the suggested range, and encouraged the City to stay competitive.

Seeing no further speakers, Mayor Schroder closed public comment on the Item.

## **PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

### **CITY MANAGER**

8. Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Budget and approving the recommended Mid-Year Budget Adjustments. [P.Vince/2.10.00]

Assistant City Manager Alan Shear presented the staff report. Adjustments to revenue include increases in licenses, permits, and fees; charges for services; and other revenue for the workers compensation rebate, and a decrease in other revenue for a missed loan payment from the Marina Fund. Adjustments to expenditures include increases in public works and community development. The unassigned General Fund balance is estimated to be \$3,950,823 at the end of the fiscal year.

Vice Mayor DeLaney thanked Finance Manager Cathy Spinella for her work on the budget. She commended staff for the small amount of adjustment needed and the unassigned fund balance available. She stated that the City seems to be in good shape. The Council agreed.

On motion by Lara DeLaney, Vice Mayor, no second required to approve Resolution No. 005-13 amending the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Budget and approving the recommended Mid-Year Budget Adjustments. Motion unanimously passed 5 - 0.

9. Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Marina Enterprise Fund Budget and approving the recommended Budget Adjustments. [P.Vince/2.10.00]

Assistant City Manager Alan Shear presented the staff report. Adjustments to revenue include a decrease in guest dock revenue and an increase in rent. Adjustments to expenditures include increases due to electrical damages needing repairs and the need for technical consulting for re-scoping. Staff recommends the Marina Fund not make its annual loan payment to the General Fund.

Vice Mayor DeLaney asked how the budget shortfall would be absorbed. Finance Manager Cathy Spinella stated the Marina Fund had enough cash available to absorb it.

Councilmember Ross asked about the purpose of the consulting, and Mr. Shear stated the technical expertise would assist in improving the Marina and working with DBAW.

On motion by Michael Menesini, Councilmember, seconded by AnaMarie Avila Farias, Councilmember, to approve Resolution No. 006-13 amending the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Marina Enterprise Fund Budget and approving the recommended Budget Adjustments. Motion unanimously passed 5 - 0.

10. City Manager Comment(s)/Update(s)/Report(s).

City Manager Philip Vince reminded that the State of the City Breakfast will be on February 12th at Creekside Church. He thanked staff for providing information for the Mayor's presentation. Mayor Schroder also expressed his appreciation to staff.

### **CHIEF OF POLICE**

11. Chief of Police Comment(s)/Update(s)/Report(s).

Chief of Police Gary Peterson announced that Sergeants Glenn Walkup and Lisa Maloney have completed the Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute. He also stated that the MUSD completed four lockdown drills and the Martinez Police were present at each drill.

Chief Peterson commented on District Attorney Peterson's Daytime Curfew Ordinance. He did research on the issue of truancy and found that Martinez really does not have a problem. It was clarified that less than five were from Martinez schools.

Chief Peterson reported that Doug Stewart participated in the homeless count on January 30. In Martinez there were 24 homeless, 18 men and 6 women. In the past year the Homeless Outreach housed 106 people from Martinez.

### **APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS AND/OR AGENCIES**

#### **CITY COUNCIL**

12. Council Subcommittee Reports.

13. City Council Comments.

Vice Mayor Lara DeLaney reported out on her attendance at the League of California Cities Employee Relations Policy Committee meeting and her interest in receiving additional information on the City OPED status. She commended the Chief's monthly newsletter and Sergeants Walkup and Maloney on receiving their certification, and announced the commemoration in honor of Sergeant Thomas Tarantino, who died in the line of duty. Vice Mayor DeLaney mentioned the upcoming retreat for goal setting at the Yacht Club on Saturday, February 9th followed by a Centennial celebration at the Martinez Library.

Councilmember Mark Ross requested that the retreat include a general overview of the Water Treatment Plant, including reservoirs and what our water is tested for.

Councilmember AnaMarie Avila Farias announced Supervisor Glover's Youth Summit in Bay Point. She also commented on the importance of community wellness.

Councilmember Michael Menesini agreed with Councilmember's Ross' request for information on the Water Treatment Plant. He requested information on policies for individuals who cannot pay their utilities.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at 9:35 p.m. to a Special Meeting.

Approved by the City Council,



Rob Schroder, Mayor

Mercy G. Cabral, Deputy City Clerk -3/6/13

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Schroder opened the meeting at 9:35 p.m. in the Council Chambers with all members present. He indicated that the Council would be convening in Closed Session with respect to the following:

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION pursuant to Cal. Government Code Section 54956.9 (a).

Name of Case: City of Brentwood, et.al. v. Campbell

**PUBLIC COMMENT (only on items listed on the agenda)**

There being no public comments, the Council adjourned to Closed Session in the City Manager's Office.

The Council reconvened at 10:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Mayor Schroder reported that by a unanimous vote, the City Council authorized participation in an appeal conditioned on the participation of a percentage of the other plaintiff jurisdictions.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at 10:00 p.m. to a Council Goal Session Retreat on February 9, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. at the Martinez Yacht Club, 111 Tarantino Drive, then to a Downtown Neighborhood Meeting on February 20, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center, 818 Green Street, Martinez, California.

Approved by the City Council,



Rob Schroder, Mayor

Mercy G. Cabral, Deputy City Clerk – 2/20/13