

MINUTES

SARATOGA CITY COUNCIL JANUARY 3, 2007

The City Council of the City of Saratoga held a Joint Session with the Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) in the Administrative Conference Room, 13777 Fruitvale Avenue, at 5:30 p.m.

The following Heritage Preservation Commissioners were present: Joan Gomersall, Steve Kellond, Chair Norm Koepnik, Bob Loudon, Peter Marra, Rita McCarty, and Beth Wyman.

Also present was Chuck Schoppe, President of the Historic Foundation.

The Commissioners discussed the following items:
Landmark and National Registry Plaques
Mustard Festival
Heritage Lanes/District

HPC members requested funding for the historic plaque program and requested that Council agendaize this item for discussion.

Mayor Kao directed staff to place this item on a future meeting to discuss funding options.

In regards to the yearly monetary contribution the City makes towards the Mustard Walk, City Council directed staff to include the funds in the next budget cycle.

Mayor Kao thanked the members of the HPC and Mr. Schoppe for attending tonight's meeting.

Mayor Kao called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Councilmembers Jill Hunter, Kathleen King, Chuck Page,
Vice Mayor Ann Waltonsmith Mayor Aileen Kao,
ABSENT: None
ALSO Dave Anderson, City Manager
PRESENT: Richard Taylor, City Attorney
Cathleen Boyer, City Clerk
Sandra Sato, Interim Administrative Services Director
John Livingstone, Community Development Director
John Cherbone, Public Works Director

REPORT OF CITY CLERK ON POSTING OF AGENDA FOR JANUARY 3, 2007

Cathleen Boyer, City Clerk, reported that pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, the agenda for the meeting of January 3, 2007, was properly posted on December 22, 2006.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following people requested to speak at tonight's meeting:

Cheriel Jensen invited everyone to join the new on-line newspaper, which is described as an open forum of discussion and information. Mrs. Jensen reported that the email address was www.saratogaletters.yahoo.com.

Marty Goldberg, spokesperson for Citizens for Parks Preservation, voiced a desire to explore additional ways of resolving their concerns other than the initiative process.

Citizen Ray reported dead pines on Highway 9.

COUNCIL DIRECTION TO STAFF

In regards to Mr. Goldberg's comments Councilmember King requested an item be agendize to discuss the proposed parks initiative.

Councilmember Page and Councilmember Hunter both concurred with Councilmember King.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Chair Koepernik stated that prior to the City Council meeting the Heritage Preservation Commission met with the City Council. Chair Koepernik briefly highlighted the discussion and reminded everyone that the 6th Annual Mustard Walk was on February 5, 2007.

COUNCIL DIRECTION TO STAFF

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember King reminded everyone that Boy Scout Troop 535 would be holding an E-Waste Recycling Event at the North Campus on January 5, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.

Councilmember Hunter announced the 2nd Annual Village Fashion Show which is scheduled for held on February 11, 2007 at the Foothill Club. Councilmember Hunter noted that tickets could be purchased at most of the stores in the Village.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1A. COMMENDATION HONORING LOCAL HERO KEVIN DONOHOE

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Present commendation.

Mayor Kao read the commendation and presented it to Mr. Kevin Donohoe.

**1B. PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2007
“VOLUNTEER BLOOD DONOR MONTH”**

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Present proclamation.

Mayor Kao read the proclamation and presented it to Mona Helmhold representing the American Red Cross.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

2A. CHECK REGISTER FOR 11/14/06

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Accept check register.

WALTONSMITH/KING MOVED TO **ACCEPT CHECK REGISTER FROM 11/14/06.** MOTION PASSED 5-0.

2B. CHECK REGISTER FOR 11/28/06

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Accept check register.

WALTONSMITH/KING MOVED TO **ACCEPT CHECK REGISTER FROM 11/28/06.** MOTION PASSED 5-0.

2C. SARATOGA-SUNNYVALE ROAD GATEWAY PROJECT- NOTICE OF COMPLETION

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Accept Notice of Completion.

Councilmember King requested that this item be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Councilmember King asked Director Cherbone to explain the various grant the City received to fund this project.

Director Cherbone explained the various funding sources in which funded the project 100%.

KING/WALTONSMITH MOVED TO ACCEPT NOTICE OF COMPLETION. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

2D ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11 OF THE CITY CODE ADDING SECTION 11-05.053 ALLOWING SIGNS IN CONGRESS SPRINGS PARK

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt ordinance

ORDINANCE 248

WALTONSMITH/KING MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11 OF THE CITY CODE ADDING SECTION 11-05.053 ALLOWING SIGNS IN CONGRESS SPRINGS PARK. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

2E BEAUCHAMPS PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve purchase of playground replacement equipment from Kompan, Inc. for Beauchamps Park in the amount of \$23,699.17.

WALTONSMITH/KING MOVED TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT FROM KOMPAN, INC. FOR BEAUCHAMPS PARK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,699.17. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

2F SEVENTY FOOT (70') ANTENNA POLE FOR EMERGENCY RADIO SYSTEMS – APPROVAL OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

1. Move to declare Radian Communication Services of Vacaville to be the lowest responsible bidder on the project.
2. Move to award an Independent Contractor Agreement with Radian Communication Services in the amount of \$19,371.53.
3. Move to authorize staff to execute change orders to the Agreement up to \$1,937.00.

RESOLUTION: 07-006

Vice Mayor Waltonsmith requested that this item be removed from the Consent Calendar and asked City Manager Anderson for an explanation of the purchase.

City Manager Anderson briefly highlighted the report and the reason for the purchase.

**WALTONSMITH/HUNTER MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION
APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INDEPENDENT
CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SARATOGA
AND RADIAN COMMUNICATION SERVICES. MOTION PASSED 5 -0.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADHOC & AGENCY ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

None

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

Referring to her appointment on the Santa Clara County Cities Association Councilmember King requested that the Mayor approve her appointment to also serve on the Santa Clara County Cities Selection Committee.

Mayor Kao approved the appointment.

OTHER

None

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Mayor Kline adjourned the regular meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathleen Boyer, CMC
City Clerk