

ANTIOCH CITY COUNCIL

**Budget Study Session/Regular Meeting
6:00 P.M.**

**June 22, 2004
Council Chambers**

6:00 P.M. - BUDGET STUDY SESSION

Mayor Freitas called the meeting to order at 6:07 P.M., and Deputy City Clerk Chalk called the roll.

Present: Council Members Kalinowski, Davis, Conley, Simonsen and Mayor Freitas

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Davis led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

BUDGET STUDY SESSION

1. REVIEW OF PROPOSED 2004/05 BUDGET

#410-02

City Manager Jakel reported Calpine had been billed and they had agreed to submit the amount owed. He stated the funding for the temporary use of the baseball stadium had been clarified and staff would be scheduling a City Council field trip.

Finance Director Tasker presented the staff report dated June 16, 2004.

Medical After Retirement

Mayor Freitas stated if the City anticipated the retiree portion of the insurance to increase, they inform all retirees of the possibility. He encouraged there be one or two meetings for retirees so they could be briefed on any increase and could discuss the item.

Equipment Replacement Fund

Mayor Freitas requested the vehicle replacement schedule come back to the City Council with more detail regarding the methodology.

Councilmember Kalinowski requested a placeholder be put on the vehicle replacement schedule. He felt the City needed to fully fund four replacement vehicles in this year's budget and requested a discussion of the item with the final budget numbers.

Mayor Freitas expressed concern the vehicle replacement costs would go into a (\$704,000) deficit in the year 06-07 with the possibility the money would not be coming back from the State to the City. He supported the schedule be a placeholder and suggested a study session

in the next 60 days to review the item in more detail.

Office Equipment Replacement Fund

Mayor Freitas requested the item return to the City Council with more detail along with the Vehicle Replacement Fund.

Councilmember Kalinowski requested a detailed list of the proposed replacement items.

Councilmember Conley expressed concern regarding the costs of take home vehicles and requested staff develop a policy with regards to the assignment of City vehicles.

Director of Public Works Harrington clarified there was a policy being completed and he would bring it forward to the City Council. He stated take home vehicles are used everyday in business and some vehicles are taken home for security reasons.

Councilmember Kalinowski agreed commuting in take home vehicles added unnecessary costs.

Mayor Freitas stated he felt there were too many take home vehicles.

Membership Dues and City Support

City Manager Jakel recommended the National League of Cities be deleted for \$6,800 and the Economic Development Alliance for Business be modified to \$8,740 for 04-05.

Economic Development Director Uriyu reviewed the contract of services with the Chamber of Commerce regarding City Support (Business Retention). City Manager Jakel stated if it was included as part of the budget, the contract would come to the City Council in late July or early August.

Councilmember Conley stated he had questions and concerns regarding the proposal. He noted he would support the item in the budget as a placeholder until the City Council considered the issue.

Community Benefit Contributions

Councilmember Kalinowski requested the projects recently approved be included in Attachment J.

Police Salaries and Citywide vacancies

Mayor Freitas requested the item and vehicle replacement return to the City Council with the budget adoption.

Animal Services

Barbara Sobalvarro, speaking on behalf of herself and the Friends of Animal Services, reported the Animal Shelter program was working well and there had been a steady improvement in services, revenues, volunteer hours and adoptions. She felt Animal Services and the community deserved to have a manager that was skilled and experienced. She expressed concern the quality of the services would be impacted with the elimination of the Animal Services Manager and requested the City Council retain the position.

REAP Officer Program

Chief of Police Moczulski recommended the City Council maintain two REAP positions, one officer assigned to Antioch High School, Antioch and Park Middle Schools, and the second officer assigned to Deer Valley High School, Black Diamond and Dallas Ranch Middle Schools.

Councilmember Simonsen suggested the City Council direct staff to develop a new memorandum of understanding with the School District for a period of one year.

City Attorney Galstan stated he felt it would be advantageous to have a written document outlining non-monetary items.

Per Council direction, City Attorney Galstan would review the agreement and come back to the City Council if there was a need for changes.

Report Transcription Services

Chief of Police Moczulski presented the staff report dated June 18, 2004 recommending the City Council maintain the reduced funding of \$30,000 for FY 2004/05.

Councilmember Kalinowski stated he understood it would take 90-120 days for the officers to become efficient with the new report writing system although since the City had invested heavily in it, he believed the system should be used at the street level.

Chief Moczulski stated transcription service is critical for administration and investigations as well as some of the more complicated, involved and lengthy cases at the street level. He noted it would save on overtime costs and allow officers more time to serve the community.

In response to Mayor Freitas, Chief Moczulski clarified the primary source for report writing would be the new computer report writing system, which would be used to capacity.

Mayor Freitas requested Chief Moczulski provide a mid-year report to the City Council with the types of reports being used by the transcription service.

School Crossing Guards

Mayor Freitas suggested the City provide partial funding up to \$60,000 for the fiscal year while working with the PTA for fundraising activities and the School District to insure sites where there was a safety issue have crossing guards. He further noted within one year, options should be explored for the School District to become 100% responsible for the activity.

Councilmember Conley suggested working with the School District to evaluate all school sites to assure they were needed and if so, he would be willing to fund up to 50%.

Mayor Freitas stated he realized state law indicated the issue is the School District's responsibility, although he felt it was a safety issue for the most vulnerable members of the community.

Councilmember Simonsen stated in light of the School District no longer participating in the REAP program and the City Council spending \$60,000 in security and vandalism repairs at the skate park, the City could not afford to keep funding those type of programs. He voiced his support for the police department working with the PTA within the various schools. He stated he could not support supplementing funding of the crossing guard program out of the General Fund reserve.

Councilmember Kalinowski discussed the importance of recognizing the need to have a safe environment for the children of the community.

Following discussion the Council consensus supported:

- § Up to \$60,000 appropriated for crossing guards with the money coming out of the General Fund for FY 2004-05
- § The police department working with the Antioch Unified School District to review existing and other traffic areas in the City that had safety components needed to be addressed, which may mean coming back to the City Council regarding supplemental funding,
- § City staff, Police Department and City Council work with the PTAs immediately to identify the funding shortfall and develop a program for the School District to be fully responsible.

§ Joint Meeting with the School Board to discuss issues relating to the REAP and Crossing Guard program.

Automated External Defibrillators

Doug Avery discussed the importance of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) and suggested the patrol cars be equipped with the units, which would immediately provide eight additional first response people in the community. He announced the Veteran's have committed to funding two defibrillators for the Antioch Police Department.

Following discussion the City Council agreed to fund \$25,000 for AEDs for FY2004-05.

Mayor Freitas stated the City Council would be adjourning to a special meeting on June 29, 2004. He declared a recess at 7:39 p.m.

Mayor Freitas called the meeting to order at 7:53 P.M., and Deputy City Clerk Chalk called the roll.

Present: Council Members Kalinowski, Davis, Conley, Simonsen and Mayor Freitas

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, Concord #15, led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Rainbow girls introduced themselves and thanked the City Council for allowing them to present the flag this evening.

On behalf of the Antioch/Brentwood Masonic Lodge, Councilmember Simonsen thanked the Rainbow Girls for their appearance.

PRESENTATIONS

Tom Rood, Vincent Manual and Lisa Bazan - Crime Prevention Commission
Chief Moczulski recognized and presented plaques to Vincent Manual, Lisa Bazan and Tom Rood, for their service on the Police Crime Prevention Commission.

Mr. Manuel, and Ms. Bazan thanked the City Council for the recognition and noted it had been an honor to serve the City of Antioch. Mr. Rood thanked the community for their support of the

police department and stated it had been a pleasure to serve the Commission, City Council and Police Department.

Mayor Freitas on behalf of the City Council thanked the Commissioners for a job well done.
PROCLAMATION - RELAY FOR LIFE, June 26 and 27, 2004

On motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Conley, the Council unanimously approved the proclamation.

Councilmember Conley presented the proclamation proclaiming June 26 and 27, 2004 as Relay for Life - A Team Effort to Fight Cancer, to Denise Skaggs and Tammy Leach who accepted the proclamation and thanked the City Council for their support. They invited the community to participate at the Relay For Life event to be held on June 26-27, 2004 at Antioch High School beginning at 10:00 a.m. and thanked everyone for their participation. The committee members present introduced themselves

Mayor Freitas invited the community participate in the Relay For Life event to raise money for the eradication of cancer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CIVIC AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Rick Carraher announced the Antioch 4th of July celebration would be held on July 4th beginning at 4:00 p.m. and ending at 9:30 p.m. with a fireworks spectacular. He reported the El Campanil Theater would open to the public on July 4, 2004 and reviewed upcoming events to be held in the theater. He announced Debbie Reynolds would be performing at the theater in December.

Mayor Freitas stated the investment in the purchase of the building and first phase of the renovations project had been very successful. He felt it would be a catalyst for the revitalization of the downtown area.

Ken Lee announced there would be a NERT program to practice emergency rescue training on July 7, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at the Antioch Police Department.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Elvin Scott stated he had invited the citizens of Pittsburg to walk in the 4th of July parade with him and encouraged everyone to participate. He announced he received a letter and plaque from the Consulat General of De France. He stated his intent was to make sure all soldiers

who were entitled to medals and certificates receive them. He noted he would start a march to advocate for Veteran's benefits.

Douglas Tokes reported the Planning Commission had approved the Cornerstone Christian Church expansion, which he had appealed to City Council. He expressed concern the heavy equipment would cause extensive and costly damage to his property. He extended an invitation to the City Council to come view the potential impacts to his property. He stated he had a discussion with the church regarding an alternative location for the building on East 18th Street and St. Claire so it would not impact residential property.

Emil Stein questioned the status of the razor wire on the soundwall at the Nokes property. He urged the City Council not to expand the Urban Limit Line.

Kenneth Lee expressed concern for the commercial garbage pick-up during the week, completion of the retaining wall, garbage in the area from the dealership and maintenance between various residences properties and the soundwall. He felt the southern driveway on the Nissan dealership be redesignated as an entrance only.

Clinton Fields congratulated the residents who assisted in the passing of Measure C. He expressed concerned for the development of FUA#1 and stated the residents do not want any more housing approved prior to the infrastructure being built and the establishment of the Urban Limit Line.

City Manager Jakel requested item J be pulled for discussion at the end of the agenda.

- 8. RESOLUTION APPROVING A LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT BETWEEN DAVIDON HOMES (TRISTAR LAND INVESTMENTS) PARCEL "B" [170 PM 12, APN 053-060-021] AND JACUZZI ET AL, PORTION OF SE1/4 SECTION 34, T2N, R2E, MDBM [APN 053-072-013] (PW 443-1-04) #802-03**

Mayor Freitas stated item #8 would be pulled and be brought back for City Council consideration on July 13, 2004.

- 9. RESOLUTION APPROVING GUIDELINES FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF COMMUNITY BENEFIT CONTRIBUTIONS (RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ALLOCATION) #409-02**

Following discussion, the City Council agreed item #9 be pulled and held over to July 13 or 27,

2004.

2. COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES FOR MAY 18 AND 25, 2004 #301-02**
- B. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL WARRANTS #401-02**
- C. REJECTION OF CLAIMS #704-07**
1. LaRon Johnson, #04/05-1489
 2. John Kallander, #03/04-1453
 3. Vernon Lee Johnson, #04/05-1485A
 4. LaTonya Elaine Lea, #04/05-1485B
 5. Richard Vaughn, #03/04-1483
- D. LEGISLATION AND ADVOCACY #701-04**
- E. ORDINANCE NO. 1022-C-S REZONING APPROXIMATELY 4.7 ACRES, MAKING UP THE ARB INC PROJECT SITE TO THE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PD) #202-03**
- F. RESOLUTION NO. 2004/67 ESTABLISHING THE APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR THE 2004-05 FISCAL YEAR #410-01**
- G. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER TO REPLACE AND LOWER EXISTING WATER SERVICES ON LONGVIEW ROAD (PW 503-9) #1202-03**
- H. RESOLUTION NO. 2004/68 ACCEPTING WORK AND AUTHORIZING CITY ENGINEER TO FILE A NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE CITY HALL REMODEL PROJECT (PW 247-K) #1001-04**
- I. RESOLUTIONS NO. 2004/69, 2004/70, 2004/71 ACCEPTING QUITCLAIM OF PROPERTY FROM CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO THE CITY OF ANTIOCH; QUITCLAIM OF**

**PROPERTY FROM MCBAIL HOMES TO THE CITY OF ANTIOCH; AND
QUITCLAIM OF PROPERTY FROM CITY OF ANTIOCH TO MCBAIL HOMES ALL
RELATED TO EAST ANTIOCH CREEK #814-03**

**J. RESOLUTION APPROVING SECOND AMENDMENT TO RENTAL AGREEMENT
FOR 1811 "C" STREET AND 301 WEST 10TH STREET (Delta 2000) #1001-05**

On motion by Councilmember Conley, seconded by Councilmember Simonsen, the Council unanimously approved the Council Consent Calendar with the exception of item J, which was removed for further discussion at the end of the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

**3. RESOLUTION ORDERING IMPROVEMENTS AND LEVYING ANNUAL
ASSESSMENTS FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS FOR THE
2004/2005 FISCAL YEAR AND RESOLUTION (PW 500) #806-03**

Administrative Analyst Hoffmeister presented the staff report dated June 10, 2004 recommending the City Council adopt the resolution ordering improvements and levying annual assessments for Landscape Maintenance Districts 1, 2A, 4, 5, 9, and 10 for Fiscal Year 2004/2005.

Mayor Freitas opened and closed the public hearing with no speakers requesting to speak.

RESOLUTION NO. 2004/72

On motion by Councilmember Conley, seconded by Councilmember Davis, the City Council unanimously approved the resolution.

COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

**4. APPOINTMENT TO POLICE CRIME PREVENTION COMMISSION - 4
VACANCIES #302-01**

Mayor Freitas stated the applications were exceptional and he had chosen a balance of residents to fill the terms. He nominated Rod Talavera to the unexpired term on the Police Crime Prevention Commission.

On motion by Councilmember Conley, seconded by Councilmember Simonsen, the City Council unanimously appointed Rod Talavera to the unexpired term on the Police Crime Prevention Commission.

Mayor Freitas nominated Constance Esters to a four-year term on the Police Crime Prevention Commission.

On motion by Councilmember Simonsen, seconded by Councilmember Conley, the City Council unanimously appointed Constance Esters to a four-year term on the Police Crime Prevention Commission.

Mayor Freitas nominated Daniel Vasquez to a four-year term on the Police Crime Prevention Commission.

On motion by Councilmember Simonsen, seconded by Councilmember Conley, the City Council unanimously appointed Daniel Vasquez to a four-year term on the Police Crime Prevention Commission.

Mayor Freitas nominated Joseph Espinda Jr. to a four-year term on the Police Crime Prevention Commission.

On motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Conley, the City Council unanimously appointed Joseph Espinda Jr. to a four-year term on the Police Crime Prevention Commission.

Mayor Freitas thanked all applicants who applied and commended the residents for volunteering.

5. RENTAL AGREEMENT FOR CHRISTMAS TREE LOT, DELTA FAIR AND CENTURY BOULEVARDS #1001-02

City Attorney Galstan presented the staff report dated May 26, 2004 recommending the City Council approve the rental agreement with rent of \$25,600 for the upcoming season.

Pete and Sharon Elliott, owners of Pete's Tree World, discussed the quality of their business and noted 3000 residents purchased trees yearly from their lot. Mr. Elliott felt the second highest bid was artificially high and noted it would be financially infeasible to continue their business following the year if the City accepted their proposal for \$25,600. He noted they believed the old lease would continue on until the City needed the property and further noted

he had spent \$35,000 to improve the lot.

In response to Mayor Freitas, City Attorney Galstan clarified purchasing a tree from the lot is not a conflict of interest due to the fact it is not a source of revenue for the Council.

Councilmember Kalinowski stated he would support rejecting all bids and entering into an agreement with Pete's Tree World for 5-years for the amount of \$15,000 per year due to the fact he had improved two lots, he had been a good business owner in the community and increasing the rent would add costs to the trees sold in the community.

City Attorney Galstan stated the City Council could reject the bids and consider an auction system in which each bidder is notified there is a minimum bid and if the high bidder does not execute a contract then it automatically goes to the next lowest bidder.

Councilmember Simonsen stated he supported an auction occurring with a refundable deposit at the earliest convenience.

Councilmember Conley recommended accepting the highest bidder and look at options after the current season.

A motion was made by Councilmember Conley, seconded by Councilmember Davis, to approve the rental agreement with rent of \$25,600 for upcoming season.

Beverly Jones discussed Pete's Tree World charitable contributions to the citizens of East County. She urged the City Council to be fair in their consideration of the matter.

Councilmember Kalinowski stated he would not support the previous motion due to the fact the City was attempting to maximize the revenue of the property irrespective of the track record of the business.

Councilmember Conley stated he felt the City has a fiduciary responsibility, they had sent out the proposal with stipulations, and the City needed to move forward based on those proposals.

Mayor Freitas stated he would be voting against the previous motion and if it failed, he would suggest rejecting all bids and proceeding with the auction with a minimum \$15,000.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Davis, Conley

Noes: Kalinowski, Simonsen, Freitas

In response to Councilmember Kalinowski, City Attorney Galstan stated the improvements on the land are the property of Pete's Tree World.

Councilmember Kalinowski requested the following motion be amended to include "that if anyone other than Pete's Tree World is the high bidder that they be required to improve the property to its current standards."

Mayor Freitas accepted Councilmember Kalinowski's amendment to the following motion.

Councilmember Conley suggested the minimum bids be made in the form of cashier's checks payable to the City of Antioch.

In response to Councilmember Simonsen, City Attorney Galstan stated all bids were kept confidential and the RFP language would be incorporated into the agreement.

On motion by Mayor Freitas, seconded by Councilmember Kalinowski, the City Council unanimously 1) Rejected all bids, 2) Directed staff to conduct a public auction with a minimum bid in the form of a cashiers check of \$15,000 per year for a term of 2-years, 3) The \$15,000 can be used to improve the property to its current standards should Pete's Tree World not be the highest bidder.

**6. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CONSOLIDATION OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION WITH OTHER ELECTIONS TO BE HELD ON THE NOVEMBER 2, 2004 REGULAR ELECTION DATE AND RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POLICIES FOR CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 2, 2004 REGULAR ELECTION DATE
#702-02**

Deputy City Clerk Chalk presented the staff report dated June 15, 2004, recommending the City Council adopt the resolutions for consolidation with Contra Costa County for the General Municipal Election to be held on November 2, 2004 and establish the word count for the Candidate Statements.

RESOLUTION NO. 2004/73

On motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Conley, the City Council unanimously adopted the resolution establishing consolidation of General Municipal Election with other elections to be held on the November 2, 2004 regular election date.

In response to Mayor Freitas, Deputy City Clerk Chalk clarified for the 200-300 word statement the cost was estimated at \$970.00, which included the English and Spanish translation. The 400 word count was \$1940.00, which included English and Spanish translation. She added those costs did not include a 10% contingency.

RESOLUTION NO. 2004/74

On motion by Councilmember Kalinowski, seconded by Councilmember Davis, the City Council unanimously adopted the resolution establishing the word count at 300 for candidate statements.

7. CONSIDERATION OF PROGRAMMATIC FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE COUNTYWIDE COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND ADDENDUM; CONSIDERATION OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION EXPENDITURE PLAN AND; RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE EXTENSION OF CONTRA COSTA'S TRANSPORTATION SALES TAX #409-01

Director of Community Development Brandt presented the staff report dated June 14, 2004 recommending the City Council consider the Programmatic Final Environmental Impact Report and Addendum for the Countywide Comprehensive Transportation Plan; approve the Resolution adopting "findings, facts in Support of Findings, and Statement of Overriding Considerations; approve the Contra Costa County Transportation Expenditure Plan; and support the extension of the Contra Costa County transportation sales tax.

Mayor Freitas stated one recommendation was a Councilmember be chosen to meet in regards to the Urban Limit Line with the effective date of July 1, 2004.

Councilmember Conley stated he felt it was imperative the County moved forward in solving the transportation problems.

Councilmember Kalinowski expressed concern only safety improvements are allocated for areas that would be traveled outside the Urban Limit Line.

Councilmember Simonsen agreed improvements should be made to provide a backdoor out of East County and expressed concern the Contra Costa Transportation Authority gave away money for capital projects to gain the support of special interest groups. He commended Mayor Freitas for his diligence in advocating what was right for the City of Antioch.

Mayor Freitas stated throughout the process there were compromises, although the plan would resolve some major infrastructure and transportation problems in Antioch and Eastern Contra Costa County. He urged the City Council to support the measure.

RESOLUTION NO. 2004/75

On motion by Councilmember Conley, seconded by Councilmember Davis, the City Council unanimously approved the Programmatic Final Environmental Impact Report and Addendum for the Countywide Comprehensive Transportation Plan; approved the Resolution adopting "findings, facts in Support of Findings, and Statement of Overriding Considerations; approve the Contra Costa Transportation Expenditure Plan, and support the extension of the Contra Costa County transportation sales tax.

COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR - Continued

J. RESOLUTION APPROVING SECOND AMENDMENT TO RENTAL AGREEMENT FOR 1811 "C" STREET AND 301 WEST 10TH STREET (Delta 2000) #1001-05

City Attorney Galstan reported the item was pulled off for separate discussion due to the fact it had changed since it was published in the agenda. He noted the Bedford Center had found an alternative location in the La Fontana building on 3rd Street. He further noted Delta 2000 would need to have their lease extended, not withstanding how the Bedford Center moved forward.

Assistant to the City Manager Gegg discussed the Bedford Center expansion and noted they considered moving to 611 West 3rd Street. He stated they requested the City approve an encroachment agreement to allow them to remove two parking spaces and replace them with an outdoor patio for their senior daycare facility.

Craig King, representing the Rehabilitation Services of Northern California (Bedford Center), stated they requested the approval of the encroachment permit to provide a patio area for the seniors. He noted the patio was not required by the state, although they highly encouraged it. He further noted if not approved, they would have to provide a flex-plan to the state indicating which city park they would take participants to. He stated many participates are frail and have dementia which made taking them to an offsite facility very difficult.

In response to Mayor Freitas, Mr. King stated the governor intended to impose a moratorium on license expansion effective July 1, 2004 to limit the states fiscal exposure. He stated the

state was concerned and they would like the Bedford Center to take the opportunity to expand. He noted the state required them to name a location where they would be expanding.

Following discussion, the City Council expressed concern regarding the elimination of parking stalls and the placement of a patio in the parking lot. They requested Mr. King explore the viability of using the eastern or southern properties adjacent to the building for the patio location.

Councilmember Simonsen expressed concern for the loss of commercial space in the downtown area, with the Bedford Center using the La Fontana building for their senior daycare facility.

The Council held item J over to June 29, 2004, directing staff to perform a title search immediately to determine if there was another option for the placement of the patio, and work with Mr. King and Ms. Newell on the item to determine if there were other viable options.

Mr. King agreed if other options were available and affordable, they would be preferable.

Mayor Freitas stated he had concerns regarding the elimination of the parking stalls, noting it was critical in the downtown area.

Mayor Freitas directed staff to bring back the various options with regards to item J.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Donna Uriyu, speaking as an individual, stated she understood the City was contemplating the elimination of its Economic Development function contingent upon the budget discussions. She discussed the importance of Antioch to build an Economic Development Department to serve the community of 101,000 residents. She requested the City's recommitment and support.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Conley reported he attended the Deer Valley High School Graduation, which was a great event.

Mayor Freitas announced the Relay for Life would be held on June 26-27, 2004 at Antioch High School. He thanked Nancy Duarte for her organization of the Mayor's team. He reminded the community to attend the July 4th celebration in downtown Antioch.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Jakel announced the City Council would be meeting on June 29, 2004 at 6:00 p.m. for a closed session, followed by a special meeting to hear the Budget.

With no further business, Mayor Freitas adjourned the meeting at 10:17 p.m. to the next adjourned regular Council meeting on June 29, 2004.

Respectfully submitted

JANET CHALK, Deputy City Clerk

Approved:

DONALD P. FREITAS, Mayor

Attest:

JANET CHALK, Deputy City Clerk