

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular Meeting
7:00 P.M.

November 13, 2012
Council Chambers

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M., and City Clerk Skaggs called the roll.

Present: Council Members Kalinowski, Harper, Rocha, Agopian, and Mayor Davis

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PROCLAMATION

National Elevator Escalator Safety Awareness Week, November 11-17, 2012

On motion by Councilmember Harper, seconded by Councilmember Agopian, the Council unanimously approved the Proclamation.

Mayor Davis announced the *National Elevator Escalator Safety Awareness Week* proclamation would be sent to the organization.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CIVIC AND COMMUNITY EVENTS - None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tony Griffin, Antioch resident, expressed concern regarding various code enforcement violations that occurred in his neighborhood and noted calls to the City regarding these issues had not resulted in any action taken to remedy the situation.

Mayor Davis directed Mr. Griffin to give the information to Deputy Director of Community Development/Recreation/Code Enforcement Graham.

Julie Hass Wajdowicz, representing the City of Antioch, announced the City was hosting an Energy Upgrade California Homeowner and Business Owner Workshop from 5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. on November 16, 2012, at the Antioch Community Center.

Beverly Knight, Antioch resident, congratulated Councilmember Rocha and Mayor Pro Tem Harper for their election success. She questioned how Councilmember Harper, serving as Mayor, would address crime in Antioch.

Councilmember Harper responded the community working with the Police Department would improve crime statistics in Antioch. He reported he had participated in a ride-along with the Antioch Police Department, reached out to the Railroad Police, and toured troubled areas in the City. He stated he would work hard to make the community safe, improve staffing levels, and noted his law enforcement background gave him insight in understanding the issues.

Barbara Sobalvarro, representing Friends of Animal Services, stated she was disappointed during the campaign that none of the candidates addressed animal welfare in the community. She expressed concern for any unkindness shown toward the community's homeless cats and their human caretakers.

Mr. Antrim, expressed concern regarding blight and safety issues along the Mokelumne walking trail and questioned who was responsible for maintenance of the area.

Melody Graves, representing Maya Cinemas, invited the Council and community to an event at the theater on November 14, 2012.

Brittney Gougeon, Antioch resident, reported *Take Back Antioch* had held and participated in fundraisers to benefit the City Park rebuilding efforts and to date, over \$8,600.00 had been raised.

Mayor Davis thanked all those who helped, participated, and contributed to fundraising efforts.

Romano Marchetti, Antioch resident, congratulated Councilmembers Rocha, Harper, Agopian, and Mayor Davis for running a great campaign. He suggested the City require all grocery stores to install locks on their carts to help eliminate blight and safety issues related to their use by the youth, in the community.

Willie Mims, representing the East County NAACP and the Black Political Association, requested the City proceed with caution and declare a moratorium on gun permits.

Valerie Byrne, Antioch property owner, expressed concern regarding criminal and safety issues which occurred in the Sycamore area. She noted the Police Department had indicated they do not have the resources to address these types of calls. She suggested the City Council drive through the neighborhood to view her concerns and requested this item be placed on a future agenda for discussion.

Joy Motts, representing the Antioch Unified School District, thanked the voters for supporting "Measure B".

COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Rocha reported on her attendance at the Veteran's Day parade and Quail Lodge Veterans event.

Councilmember Harper reported on his attendance at the Veterans Day parade and Veteran's Day Celebration at Diablo Vista Elementary School. He encouraged residents to report drug activity through the tipsoft program, or anonymously, through Antioch Police Department Dispatch.

Councilmember Kalinowski reported on his attendance at Transportation subcommittee meetings. He noted the next meeting would be held at 6:30 P.M. on December 13, 2012 at the Tri-Delta Transit Board Room.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Davis stated contact information for the shopping cart issue was available on the City's website. He requested City Engineer Bernal provide Mr. Antrim information regarding the maintenance of the Mokelumne Trail. He reported on his attendance at the Diablo Vista Elementary School Veteran's Day event.

PRESENTATIONS

Antioch Senior Center, Gina Lombardi-Gravert

Gina Lombardi-Gravert, Antioch Senior Center Recreation Specialist, acknowledged and thanked the Rotary Club of the Delta, Sherman Williams Paint, and Infinity Painting – Tom Hartrick for their generosity and support in painting the dining room at the Senior Center.

Judy Norceen, President of the Board of Directors and on behalf of the senior members, thanked the Rotary Club, Sherman Williams, and Infinity Painting for painting the dining hall. She invited the Council to come to the center to view the improvements and socialize with the members.

Laurna Bloxsom presented a plaque to be hung in the dining hall recognizing the Rotary Club, Antioch Sherman Williams Paint, and Infinity Painting.

Tom Hartrick, representing Infinity Painting and the Antioch Rotary Club, stated this was a great opportunity and he was glad they were able to partner with Sherwin Williams to complete the project.

The City Council thanked those who participated in the community service. Recognitions were presented.

Rising Sun Energy

Julie Haas-Wajdowicz introduced Rising Sun Energy representatives in attendance this evening.

Julia Hatten, Director of Youth Programs at Rising Sun Energy Center, gave a brief overhead presentation of the Rising Sun Energy Center/California Youth Energy Services program.

Christina Chan, Marketing and Outreach Manager at Rising Sun Energy Center, gave a brief overhead presentation of the services provided to Antioch residents. She thanked Julie Haas-Wajdowicz, Antioch Police, Fire Departments, and the City for their support.

Julie Haas-Wajdowicz reported the program was covered by the climate budget and DOE grant.

Nicole Garcia, Youth Energy Specialist and William Spivey, Energy Specialist and Leader In Field Training (LIFT) spoke to the value of the program.

Mayor Davis thanked the representatives of Rising Sun Energy Center/ California Youth Energy Services for the presentation.

Police Stats Third-Quarter 2012, Chief Allan Cantando

Chief of Police Allan Cantando gave a brief overhead presentation of Police Stats Mid-Year 2012 which included the following:

- Part 1 Crime Statistics
- Bureau of Support Services – Volunteer Program, Animal Services, Internal Affairs, General Investigations Division, and Specialized Units
- Bureau of Field Services – Calls For Service, Priority 1 Response Times, Arrests and Citations, Traffic, and K-9 Program
- New Developments – Facebook, Staffing, Recruitments and Hiring, Community Outreach, Police Activities League (PAL)

He thanked Human Resources Director Fitzer for working diligently to expedite processes for recruitments and hiring.

Discussion ensued regarding the details of the report with Council agreeing the issues were budgetary and the Council had attempted to address them under fiscal constraints. They expressed their appreciation for the work that had been done and the team assembled to improve safety in Antioch. They spoke in support of the development of a strategic plan for the Antioch Police Department (APD).

Chief Cantando stated the APD did great work and he was proud of them. He noted as the budget improves and staff was increased, he was optimistic about the future.

Councilmember Agopian requested direction to information on the trends for other cities, similar in size.

Councilmember Kalinowski spoke in support of a future sales tax measure to address public safety issues in the community.

Mayor Davis thanked Chief Cantando for his dedication to the APD and the report this evening.

Willie Mims, representing the East County NAACP and the Black Political Association, commended Chief Cantando for the comprehensive report.

Brittney Gougeon, Antioch resident, spoke in support of fully staffing the APD with sustainable staffing and partnering with local property owners and landlords to help reduce crime on their properties. She suggested bringing Crime Free Multi-Housing and Crime Free Rental Housing programs to Antioch.

1. COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR
 - A. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 23, 2012
 - B. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL WARRANTS
 - C. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS A/V SYSTEM RENOVATION (P.W. 247-0)
 - D. AMEND THE FY 2012-2013 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT REVOLVING LOAN FUND BUDGET TO INCLUDE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED RENTAL HOUSING REHAB PROGRAM
 - E. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR THE JAMES DONLON AND LARKSPUR WATER STORAGE RESERVOIR REHABILITATION (P.W. 246-24)
 - F. RESOLUTION NO. 2012/67 AMENDMENT TO COUNCIL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR A CALRECYCLE GRANT FOR THE RUBBERIZED CHIP SEAL PAVEMENT PROJECT AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS (P.W. 328-6)
 - G. APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH RMC WATER AND ENVIRONMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR UPDATING THE CITY'S WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM MASTER PLAN (P.W. 620-3)
 - H. AMENDMENT TO THE CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH FLOW SCIENCE INCORPORATED
 - I. PURCHASE OF POLICE PATROL VEHICLES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013

On motion by Councilmember Kalinowski, seconded by Councilmember Harper, the City Council unanimously approved the Council Consent Calendar.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Jakel announced the following meeting and holiday schedules:

- Regular City Council Meeting – November 27, 2012
- New Council Special Meeting Swearing-In Ceremony – December 4, 2012
- Regular City Council Meeting – December 11, 2012
- Closed Session Special Meeting – Status of pending and existing Litigation – December 18, 2012

He announced City offices would be closed November 21 - 23, 2012 and open December 26, 27, and 31, 2012.

City Manager Jakel reported Wells Fargo was participating in the City Lift First Time Homebuyers program and Antioch residents and homes in Antioch were eligible. Contact information was provided.

Councilmember Harper announced the Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration would be held on January 21, 2012. He requested Council consider the use of the City logo for the Cesar Chavez Day and Martin Luther King, Jr. events.

City Manager Jakel responded he would put the item on the next agenda, if approval had not already been given.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Davis requested staff agendize traffic calming measures for the intersection of Lone Tree Way and Terra Nova Way. He congratulated Councilmembers Harper and Rocha for running successful campaigns.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Davis adjourned the meeting at 9:00 P.M. to the next regular Council meeting on November 27, 2012.

Respectfully submitted:

DENISE SKAGGS, City Clerk