

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
INCLUDING THE ANTIOCH CITY COUNCIL
ACTING AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING SUCCESSOR
TO THE ANTIOCH DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

**Special/Regular Meeting
5:30 P.M.**

**March 25, 2014
Council Chambers**

Mayor Harper called the meeting to order at 5:34 P.M., and City Clerk Simonsen called the roll.

Present: Council Members Wilson, Rocha, Tiscareno, Agopian and Mayor Harper

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

STUDY SESSION – SPECIAL MEETING

1. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF BUDGET DEVELOPMENT FOR THE GENERAL FUND, RECREATION FUND, PREWETT WATER PARK FUND AND ANIMAL SERVICES FUND FOR THE 2014-15 FISCAL YEAR

City Manager Duran introduced the Budget Study Session. He explained Measure C funding and clarified that staff was recommending that 100% of the funds were committed for Police and Code Enforcement services.

Finance Director Merchant presented the staff report dated March 13, 2014 and gave an PowerPoint presentation recommending the City Council provide direction and feedback.

Following discussion Council requested staff provide the following information:

- Data on property tax trends
- A report on business license tax collection
- A report of non-police department overtime
- Report on continued funding of library maintenance

Mayor Harper voiced his support for reinstating the City's earthquake insurance and developing a strategy for the Lone Tree Golf Course funding a portion of their water service

Hans Ho, Antioch resident, expressed concern that the City was trimming the current police budget in order to wait for Measure C funds. He explained they had campaigned for Measure C funding to be on top of the current Police budget.

Catherine Walker, Antioch resident, expressed concern regarding the methodology used for Measure C funding. She suggested the City not fund vacant positions and avoid salary increases with reclassifications. She spoke to the city's need for additional law enforcement services.

Marty Fernandez, Antioch resident, spoke in support of the City hiring an Economic Development Director.

Mayor Harper read written comment from Antioch resident, Martha Parsons, who indicated it was her understanding Measure C funding was for twenty-two (22) officers above the one-hundred two (102) authorized positions. She urged the City to reduce the budget in non-police department areas and use 100% of Measure C funds on police and code enforcement services.

John Sullivan, Antioch resident, questioned if revenues from the northeast area annexation were considered in the budget.

In response to public comment, City Manager Duran explained the police budget indicated projected funds in fiscal year 2014-2015 not spent, would be moved into fiscal year 2015-2016 and the 2013-2014 allocation of one-hundred two (102) officers were not fully funded. He clarified an Economic Development Director was not budgeted; however they had created an Economic Development Program Manager position, with the reclassifications. He reported annexation revenue had been estimated and included in budget projections.

Councilmember Agopian discussed the importance of effective communication and ensuring Measure C funds were used as intended. He voiced his support for freezing salaries on all employees and not approving any new positions unless paid for with existing money. He requested staff provide the following information:

- Police Department staffing level 30-days prior to the election
- Net cost for every sworn and unsworn officer hired in the last 4 months
- How many police officers Measure C funding represented
- Explanation of the static baseline budget for police department for fiscal years 2015-2017

Mayor Harper stated after reviewing all documentation the message was Measure C was the City would hire, as close to twenty-two (22) additional officers, as possible, with the funding available. He committed that all Measure C funding would be spent on police and code enforcement services.

City Manager Duran reported in August 2013 the City had eighty-two (82) sworn officers, which staff indicated was the number that could be sustained without Measure C.

Mayor Harper suggested the budget document state the appropriate use of Measure C funds.

Councilmember Tiscareno stated he was optimistic revenue projections would improve and suggested the City focus more on economic development.

Councilmember Rocha supported payment of 300k to the office equipment and vehicle replacement funds. She stated she does not support reinstating the earthquake insurance.

Following discussion, Councilmember Agopian suggested staff provide a cost benefit analysis for the proposed reclassifications.

City Manager Duran stated staff would bring back the information the City Council requested. He encouraged Council and the public email him any questions to his office.

Director of Finance Merchant stated she would update Council on the items requested at the April 8, 2014 City Council meeting.

Mayor Harper adjourned the special meeting and declared a recess at 7:11 P.M.

Mayor Harper called the meeting to order at 7:21 P.M., and City Clerk Simonsen called the roll.

Present: Council Members Wilson, Rocha, Tiscareno, Agopian and Mayor Harper

2. PROCLAMATIONS

American Red Cross Month, March 2014

On motion by Councilmember Rocha, seconded by Councilmember Tiscareno, the Council unanimously approved the Proclamations.

Mayor Harper presented the proclamation to Christopher Pilot representing the American Red Cross who thanked the City Council for the recognition and acknowledged everyone who assisted them during disasters.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CIVIC AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Hans Ho, representing the Keep Antioch Beautiful Day committee stated the Citywide Cleanup event would take place from 8:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M., April 26, 2014. They announced there would be 1st (\$500), 2nd (\$300) and 3rd (\$200) cash prizes for the elementary, middle and high schools with the most volunteers. Contact information was provided for anyone wishing to participate.

Mayor Harper announced the City Council had received a certificate of appreciation from Ruah Community Outreach Ministries for supporting the Black History Art and Artifacts Exhibit at the Nick Rodriguez Community Center.

Lucia Trujillo invited the community to attend the Cesar Chavez Multicultural Celebration beginning at 10:00 A.M. on March 29, 2014 at Pittsburg City Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF BOARD AND COMMISSION OPENINGS

City Clerk Simonsen announced the following Commission opening.

- *Economic Development Commission: One (1) vacancy; deadline date is April 10, 2014*
- *Planning Commission: One (1) vacancy; deadline date is April 24, 2014*

He noted applications were available on the City's website and at the City Clerk and Deputy City Clerk's office.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Fred Hoskins, Antioch resident, requested the City follow up with Governor Brown regarding the efforts of the Friends of Roswell Butler Hard House to restore the property.

Darlene Dawson, Antioch resident, requested the City provide a tentative date for an informational meeting on the temporary emergency barriers the Department of Water Resources was planning to install at Sutter Slough, West False River and Steamboat Slough.

Mayor Harper requested City Manager Duran provide a response to Ms. Dawson.

Mike Bates, Brentwood resident and owner of Delta Vacuum, urged the City Council to dedicate 100% of Measure C funding to police and code enforcement services.

Francisco Munoz, Antioch resident, expressed concern for people who engaged in illegal activity after hours at Mountaire Park. He suggested the City charge a fee for after-hour use or turn sprinklers on at 8:00 P.M. He urged the City to assist them to resolve the issues.

Mayor Harper requested Deputy Director of Community Development/Recreation Graham follow up with Mr. Munoz regarding his concerns.

Bill Cook, Antioch resident and Chair of the Police Crime Prevention Commission, stated during the Measure C discussions, he was informed there were one hundred two (102) funded police officer positions. He questioned why that number had been reduced to eighty-two (82). He spoke to the need for more police officers and better communication from the City Council.

Taylor Donaldson, student at Dallas Ranch Middle School, stated it had been difficult for students to adjust to the recent staffing changes in the Physical Education. She stated she would present a petition to the City by the next meeting and requested Council help resolve the issues at the school.

Mayor Harper stated he was proud of Taylor and offered to go with her to the Antioch School Board to discuss her concerns.

Sam Kern, Pittsburg resident, expressed concern that after many years of volunteering at the Antioch Senior Center he was no longer allowed to play religious songs. He reported that he had been suspended from the meal program and he would like those rights restored.

Josh Young, parent of a child at Dallas Ranch Middle School, expressed concern regarding bullying and harassment that had occurred at the school. He stated he had gone to the School Board regarding his concerns and he felt their response was not appropriate. He stated he would like more clarity as to what had occurred so he can address the situation with his child.

Mayor Harper explained that issues at the schools are not under the City Council's purview and encouraged Mr. Young to continue to work with the School Board.

Mary Lopez, Antioch resident, complimented the Antioch Police Department for doing a great job and urged citizens to work cooperatively with law enforcement. She offered her services as an interpreter for the City, free of charge.

COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Agopian suggested City Manager Duran and a representative from the City Council meet with the School District to discuss the increasing amount of complaints.

Mayor Harper reported on his meeting with Antioch Unified School District Superintendent Gill.

Councilmember Tiscareno reported on his attendance at a meeting with Republic Waste Management workers to thank them for participating in the *We're Looking Out for You* program.

City Manager Duran announced he was in the process of setting up a meeting with Chief Cantando and representatives from the Antioch School District to discuss various issues.

Councilmember Rocha reported on her attendance at the Homeless Task Force meeting and requested staff bring back costs analysis for installing a bathroom downtown.

Councilmember Wilson stated she and Councilmember Agopian serve on the School District subcommittee and suggested scheduling a meeting.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Harper thanked Mayor Pro Tem Rocha for facilitating the March 11, 2014 City Council meeting, while he was in Washington D.C. with Tri-delta Transit discussing transportation funding.

3. COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

A. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES FOR MARCH 11, 2014

B. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL WARRANTS

C. APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2014

D. REJECTION OF CLAIM

1. **Mayrdawna Davis 14/15-2162 (civil rights)**

E. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (Introduced on 03/11/14)

A) **ORDINANCE NO. 2079 C-S AND ORDINANCE NO. 2080 C-S AND RESOLUTION NO. 2014/21 THE CITY OF ANTIOCH IS PROPOSING TO ADOPT DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES AND UPDATE PARK IN-LIEU FEES PURSUANT TO THE GOVERNMENT CODE**

B) **ORDINANCE NO. 2081 C-S THE CITY OF ANTIOCH IS PROPOSING ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS TO REVISE THE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ALLOCATION PROGRAM (GROWTH MANAGEMENT PROGRAM).**

F. ORDINANCE NO. 2082 C-S AMEND TITLE 3, CHAPTER 1, OF THE ANTIOCH MUNICIPAL CODE TO UPDATE PROCEDURES REGARDING BUSINESS LICENSING (Introduced on 03/11/14)

G. RESOLUTION NO. 2014/22 APPROVAL OF THE FREEWAY MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR STATE ROUTE 4 LOVERIDGE ROAD INTERCHANGE/CENTURY BOULEVARD OVERCROSSING (04-CC-4-PM 24.9/25.8)

H. AMENDMENT TO THE CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH FLOW SCIENCE INCORPORATED

I. RESOLUTION NO. 2014/23 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AMENDED AGREEMENT FOR DISPATCH SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITIES OF ANTIOCH AND BRENTWOOD

City of Antioch Acting as Successor Agency to the Antioch Development Agency

J. APPROVAL OF SUCCESSOR AGENCY WARRANTS

On motion by Councilmember Agopian, seconded by Councilmember Tiscareno, the City Council unanimously approved the Council Consent Calendar.

Following discussion, the City Council agreed to move Agenda Items #6-9 to the next items of business.

COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

6. APPOINTMENTS TO THE SALES TAX CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Mayor Harper announced he had interviewed twenty (20) candidates with Councilmember Agopian and made the following recommendations: Hansel Ho, Barbara Herendeen, Melvin Chappel and Catherine Walker to four (4) year terms; and Ralph Garrow, Joseph O. Adebayo and; Salvatore Sbranti to two (2) year terms.

On motion by Councilmember Rocha, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, the Council unanimously appointed the following individuals to the Sales Tax Citizens' Oversight Committee:

- Hansel Ho – 4 Years
- Barbara Herendeen – 4 Years
- Melvin Chappel – 4 Years
- Catherine Walker – 4 Years
- Ralph Garrow – 2 Years
- Joseph O. Adebayo – 2 Years
- Salvatore Sbranti – 2 Years

7. BOARD OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Harper recommended Frederick Rouse to fill one (1) unexpired term and Ademuyiwa "Ade" Adeyemi to fill the one (1) alternative term.

On motion by Councilmember Rocha, seconded by Councilmember Tiscareno, the Council unanimously appointed the following individuals to the Board of Administrative Appeals:

- Frederick Rouse - 1 unexpired term
- Ademuyiwa "Ade" Adeyemi - 1 alternative

8. CONTRA COSTA MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPOINTMENT

Mayor Harper recommended Lola Odunlami for the Contra Costa Mosquito and Vector Control Board of Trustees.

On motion by Councilmember Rocha, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, the Council unanimously appointed Lola Odunlami to the Contra Costa Mosquito and Vector Control Board of Trustees.

9. CONTRA COSTA COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Mayor Harper recommended Walter Ruehlig for the Contra Costa County Library Commission.

On motion by Councilmember Agopian, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, the Council unanimously appointed Walter Ruehlig to the Contra Costa County Library Commission.

Mayor Harper recognized the appointees in attendance and thanked them for their willingness to serve.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 4. PD-13-03 – A.I. HOLDING, LLC IS PROPOSING TO ADD RETAIL TO THE PERMITTED USES OF AN AREA DESIGNATED MEDICAL/PROFESSIONAL OFFICE WITHIN THE WILLIAMSON RANCH PLAZA AT 4851, 4849, 4847, AND 4839 LONE TREE WAY (APN 055-011-048, -055, -056, -057). THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THIS ITEM ON MARCH 5, 2014 (5-0 VOTE).**

Community Development Director Wehrmeister presented the staff report dated March 6, 2014 recommending the City Council: 1) Motion to introduce the ordinance by title only; and 2) Motion to introduce an ordinance modifying the Williamson Ranch Plaza Planned Development.

Mayor Harper opened the Public Hearing.

City Clerk Simonsen reported since the publication of the agenda, the City had received a letter from Jack Khouri regarding this item. He noted that copies of that letter were made available to Council, staff and in Council Chambers this evening.

Al and Jamie Abhari, A.I. Holdings, LLC, gave a brief history of Williamson Ranch Plaza and urged the Council to approve adding retail to the permitted uses to improve marketing of their property.

Mayor Harper closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Agopian suggested the applicant not add smoke shops or fast food establishments to Williamson Ranch Plaza and spoke to the importance of maintaining the surrounding area.

Mayor Harper agreed that a smoke shop would be inappropriate adjacent to the skate park.

On motion by Councilmember Agopian, seconded by Councilmember Wilson the Council unanimously 1) Motion to introduce the ordinance by title only; and 2) Motion to introduce an ordinance modifying the Williamson Ranch Plaza Planned Development.

- 5. GP-13-01, SP-13-01, Z-13-01, PD-13-02, V-13-01, UP-13-04, AR-13-04 – STANTEC, ON BEHALF AUTOZONE, INC. REQUESTS THE APPROVAL OF A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT; AN AMENDMENT TO THE EAST LONE TREE SPECIFIC PLAN; A REZONE; A FINAL PLAN DEVELOPMENT; A VARIANCE; USE PERMIT; AND DESIGN**

REVIEW IN ORDER TO BUILD A 7,766 SQUARE FOOT RETAIL STORE LOCATED ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF LONE TREE WAY AND FAIRSIDE WAY (APN: 056-120-086). AN INITIAL STUDY AND MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION ARE ALSO BEING CONSIDERED FOR ADOPTION. THE PLANNING COMMISSION DID NOT ACT ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT AND BY WAY OF A 5-1 VOTE, WITH ONE VACANCY, RECOMMENDED THE CITY COUNCIL DENY THE REQUESTS.

Senior Planner Gentry presented the staff report dated March 19, 2014 recommending the City Council approve: 1) Motion to adopt the resolution denying the General Plan amendment; 2) Motion to adopt the resolution denying the East Lone Tree Specific Plan amendment; 3) Motion to adopt the resolution denying the rezoning of the subject property from Medium High Density Residential (RH) to Planned Development (PD); and 4) Motion to adopt the resolution denying the Final Development Plan, Variance, Use Permit and Design Review.

City Attorney Nerland reviewed the speaker rules for the Public Hearing.

In response to Councilmember Tiscareno, Senior Planner Gentry stated she would provide Council with the site plan for the Auto Zone located on Somersville Road.

Mayor Harper opened the public hearing.

APPLICANT

Jeff Halbert, speaking on behalf of Auto Zone thanked the City Council for the opportunity to present the project. He gave a history of their discussions with staff regarding the project and the submission of their formal application. He reported studies conducted have concluded minor changes to the circulation plan and the conditions of approval had mitigated all impacts from the project.

PROPONANTS

Fred Hoskins, Antioch resident voiced his support for the Auto Zone project and suggested the City work with the applicant to resolve any outstanding issues.

Donald Freitas, Antioch resident, spoke to the value of the Auto Zone project and urged the City to be business friendly and approve the project.

Ralph Garrow, Antioch resident, discussed the importance of the City becoming more business friendly and suggested Council direct staff to work cooperatively with applicants to bring new projects to Antioch. He encouraged Council to approve the project.

Sean Wright, Antioch Chamber of Commerce, spoke in support of the project and urged the City to change their reputation and become business friendly. He suggested moving the right turn lane on Lone Tree Way down fifty (50) feet to accommodate an entrance into the property.

Joel Keller, representing Auto Zone, stated that they intended to offer sixteen to eighteen (16-20) permanent jobs and the project would increase tax revenue for the City. He reported other Auto Zones had recently been approved with similar square footage and lot size. He urged Council to support the proposal and send a positive message to the business community.

Bob Abbott, STANTEC Architecture, stated they had responded to direction from City staff and developed a building that had been designed and modified to be complimentary to surrounding uses. He stated if Council approved the project, he would suggest adding a condition of approval that stated if Auto Zone were to leave any subsequent uses would require a use permit. He also noted the Council could add a condition that mandated a right turn out onto Lone Tree Way.

John Stansbury representing Auto Zone, stated the site was adequate in size to be successfully developed for the project. He noted they had provided studies and modified the building per staff's requests. He reported other Auto Zones had been approved with similar square footage and lot size.

OPPONENT

Norm Dyer, LCA Architects, stated he feels the location was inappropriate for the project and staff was correct in their analysis as it pertained to the City's planning guidelines. He suggested Council heed the recommendation of staff and the Planning Commission and deny the project.

Mayor Harper closed the public hearing. He reopened the public hearing to allow the applicant to provide a rebuttal.

REBUTTAL

Jeff Halbert, responded that there were no residential projects proposed for the property and he did not believe it was a viable option.

In response to Council, Mr. Halbert reviewed the parking analysis and circulation plan noting with the conditions of approval, there would be no impacts to surrounding properties. He stated the typical process was to source local construction teams and entertain union based contractors who bid on projects. He stated they were committed to providing competitive wages and benefits to their employees. He supported adding conditions of approval to limit turning movements onto Lone Tree Way with an exit only driveway and requiring subsequent uses of the site to acquire a use permit.

Mayor Harper closed the public hearing.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014/24
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RESOLUTION NO. 2014/26
RESOLUTION NO. 2014/27

On motion by Councilmember Rocha, seconded by Councilmember Agopian, the Council unanimously 1) Motion to adopt the resolution approving and adopting the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) as adequate for the Project; 2) Motion to adopt the resolution approving the General Plan amendment; 3) Motion to adopt the resolution approving the East Lone Tree Specific Plan amendment; 4) Motion to introduce the ordinance by title only; 5) Motion to adopt the ordinance rezoning the subject property from Medium High Density Residential (RH) to Planned Development (PD) amending section 3 to state: "The permitted use shall be an auto parts store. Any other commercial use requires a Use Permit"; and; 6) Motion to adopt the resolution approving the Final Development Plan, Variance, Use Permit and Design Review. Amending Site and Project Design condition 5e to state: "The driveway on Lone Tree Way shall be designed to permit one-way right-out turning movements and discourage illegal right-in movements, as approved by the City Engineer" and "As Applicant indicated it intended to do, Applicant shall engage in a demonstrable effort to hire employees locally."

Mayor Harper welcomed Auto Zone to the City.

Mayor Harper declared a recess at 9:33 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 9:46 P.M. all Councilmembers present.

COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA - Continued

10. ADOPTION OF A REVISED ORDINANCE TITLE 6, CHAPTER 1, OF THE ANTIOCH MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING ANIMALS

City Manager Duran gave a brief background of the Animal Ordinance and stated he was in support of staff's recommendation. He reported they had informed representatives of the Trap Neuter and Return (TNR) groups of staff's recommendations and offered to continue to work toward developing a TNR program, if they were interested

City Attorney Nerland stated following the meeting on January 12, 2014, staff had revised the ordinance with a redline version of the changes staff had proposed regarding the overall limit on animals.

Lieutenant Kelley gave a overhead presentation and presented the staff report dated March 18, 2014 recommending the City Council: 1) Motion to read the ordinance by title only; and 2) Motion to introduce an ordinance amending in its entirety Title 6, Chapter 1, Animals, of the Antioch Municipal Code.

Nancy Fernandez, Antioch resident, thanked Lieutenant Kelley and Supervisor of Animal Services Helgemo for the comprehensive report. She urged the City Council to pass the ordinance and provided photos of a neighborhood park showing an area that needed to be professionally cleaned.

Kirk Conkel and Lois Conkel, Antioch residents, stated the feeding of feral cats had interfered with the general public being able to use public areas. Mr. Konkel, speaking as a member of the Dow Wetlands team, discussed the negative impact of feral cats on wildlife.

Susan Smith, Antioch resident and member of Homeless Animals Response Program (HARP), stated they would appreciate the community's support and acceptance of the abandoned cats. She reported they had provided TNR services for over one-hundred seven (107) cats and urged the City to work with them on implementing a TNR program for Antioch. She urged the Council to not impose a ban on feeding feral cats on public property.

Justine Charley, Antioch resident, expressed concern that a feeding ban would cause animals to starve and suggested the City extend the time they keep cats at the shelter. She offered to help work toward a solution and urged the City Council to oppose the provisions pertaining to cat limitations.

Barbara Sobalvarro, Antioch resident and President of Friends of Animal Services, urged the City Council to oppose the provisions pertaining to cat limitations and the feeding ban. She suggested Council allow time to work with the rescue groups who had proven their interest in helping the City's cat population.

Karen Kops, President of Homeless Animal Response Program (HARP) and Spay Neuter Impact Program (SNIP), stated TNR programs do not work with a feeding ban. She reported they had provided TNR for one-hundred four (104) cats and nine (9) kittens were placed in their adoption program. She requested a six (6) month trial period to allow them to work with staff and other rescue groups on a humane solution.

Julie Carlson, Antioch resident, provided Council with a list of national organizations that oppose feeding bans and support TNR programs.

Mike Heckathorn, Antioch business owner, stated he was opposed to the ban on feeding feral cats and he felt the issue needed to be studied in more detail.

Lori Cook, Antioch resident and member of the Riverview Garden Club, stated they cleaned up the downtown area for the 4th of July celebration and the impacts from the feral cat population and the garbage left behind from those who were feeding them, were major concerns.

Mary Lou Wood, Antioch resident, stated the problem was the people abandoning animals and TNR could humanely address that issue.

Ray Zeeb, Antioch resident and member of HARP, stated the issue was people abandoning their cats downtown. He urged the City Council to deny the ban on feeding feral cats.

Mara Lyde, Antioch resident, spoke in opposition to the restrictions of feeding feral cats and the provisions pertaining to cat limitations.

Tracy Farrington, Paul Schorr, Nancy Schorr, and Ariana Rickard, representing the Mount Diablo Audubon Society, expressed concern regarding the negative impact the feral cat population had on wildlife and urged the City Council to adopt the revised ordinance making it illegal to harbor and feed a feral cat except on one's own property.

Lisa Kirk, Bethel Island resident, urged the City to contact the Sacramento SPCA and other organizations to gather information on successful TNR programs. She questioned what the City's plan was for the cats if the ban were in effect.

Fred Hoskins, Antioch resident, discussed the negative impact of feral cats to the economic development in downtown Antioch. He thanked staff for the report and suggested the rescue organizations build a cat sanctuary and feed the cats on their own property.

Councilmember Tiscareno suggested allowing for a window of time for the organizations to work toward the prevention of public feeding. He stated the ban could go into effect, if all remedies were exhausted.

Councilmember Agopian stated the ordinance would not prevent interested parties from moving forward with a TNR program. He made a motion to 1) Read the ordinance by title only; and 2) Introduce the ordinance amending in its entirety Title 6, Chapter 1, Animals, of the Antioch Municipal Code, which was seconded by Mayor Harper.

Following discussion, the motion was amended as follows:

On motion by Councilmember Agopian, seconded by Mayor Harper, the Council 1) Motion to read the ordinance by title only; and direction given to staff to work with groups that are interested in looking at effective TNR (Trap, Neuter & Release/Return) solutions which may include a place to isolate feeding cats and, 2) Motion to introduce an ordinance amending in its entirety Title 6, Chapter 1, Animals, of the Antioch Municipal Code. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Harper, Rocha, Wilson, Agopian

Noes: Tiscareno

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Duran reported on his attendance at the Relay for Life team rally and a meeting with Director of the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development Kish Rajan.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Rocha requested staff update the Council on the status of the play structure at Mira Vista Park.

Councilmember Agopian reported he would have a brain scan on April 7, 2014 and he would be reporting back to Council on those results.

Mayor Harper thanked everyone for their patience this evening.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Harper adjourned the meeting at 11:18 P.M. to the next regular Council meeting on April 8, 2014.

Respectfully submitted:

Kitty Eiden

KITTY EIDEN, Minutes Clerk