

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Regular Meeting**  
**7:00 P.M.**

**June 9, 2015**  
**Council Chambers**

Mayor Harper called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M., and City Clerk Simonsen called the roll.

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

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CIVIC AND COMMUNITY EVENTS**

Director of Park and Recreation Kaiser, announced summer programs had started and she encouraged families to join the activities. She noted there was also an open gym basketball program available for youth at the Prewett Park Community Center. She announced the Leo Fontana Lifetime Achievement Foundation had also provided a grant to provide open sports opportunities.

Harry Thurston, Antioch resident, invited the City Council and staff to a public informational meeting on Community Choice Energy sponsored by the Contra Costa County Clean Energy Alliance at 6:00 P.M. July 7, 2015 at the Antioch Public Library.

Kip Stephens, Antioch resident, expressed concern for the level of crime occurring in Antioch. He provided Council with copies of the speed table conditions and stated he felt they were unrealistic. He committed his group to continue working to improve safety in his neighborhood.

Councilmember Rocha announced the following events:

- Care and Share Fair from 10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. on June 13, 2015 at the Salvation Army
- Rivertown Block Party from 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. on June 20, 2015

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF BOARD AND COMMISSION OPENINGS**

City Clerk Simonsen announced the following Commission opening:

- Economic Development Commission: Four (4) vacancies; deadline date is June 12, 2015

He reported applications would be available in Council Chambers, online at the City's website and at the City Clerk's offices.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Loretta Sweat, Antioch resident, spoke in support of the City developing quality high density residential development in downtown Antioch. She stated when qualitative circumstances present themselves; she is in favor of changing the alphabetical street names and soliciting restaurants to

occupy vacant buildings. She acknowledged the Antioch Police Department, Council, and staff for their service.

Linda Hudson, Antioch resident, stated following her request to the City for speed bumps in her neighborhood, they were installed by a group of citizens; however, the day of her son's funeral, the City removed them. She stated speed bumps, stop signs and/or traffic enforcement could have prevented the accident that took her son's life. She reported traffic strips had been placed in her neighborhood. She stated she has installed video cameras and would be providing the tapes to elected officials.

Gerald Hudson, Antioch resident, stated he felt the Council should have responded to their request for speed bumps in a more professional manner.

Paula Knight, Antioch resident, stated she did not support Mayor Harper and felt he was not adequately addressing crime in Antioch.

Karl Dietzel, Antioch resident, questioned when the Crime Subcommittee would be meeting and requested an update with regards to the City's partnership with the U.S. postal service and Republic Waste to report criminal behavior. He expressed concern the Antioch Police Department could not follow up on Cold Cases and requested the City hire the 15 funded sworn police officer positions.

Mayor Harper requested City Manager Duran respond to Mr. Dietzel regarding the status of the subcommittee.

## **COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilmember Ogorchock reported on her attendance at the East County Water Management Association and League of California Cities.

## **MAYOR'S COMMENTS - None**

### **1. COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **A. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES FOR MAY 26, 2015**

#### **B. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL WARRANTS**

#### **C. REJECTION OF CLAIM**

##### **1. Trina Gill**

#### **D. CURB, GUTTER, AND SIDEWALK REPAIR INCLUDING TREE REMOVAL AND STUMP GRINDING AND INSTALLATION OF CONCRETE CURB RAMPS AT MISCELLANEOUS LOCATIONS (2014-2015), (P.W. 507-15)**

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

Mayor Harper declared a recess at 7:28 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 7:33 P.M. with all Councilmembers present.

## **COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA**

### **2. REVIEW AND APPROVE CONCEPTUAL PLANS FOR THE PREWETT COMMUNITY PARK FINAL PHASE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE THE DEVELOPMENT OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR PUBLIC BIDDING IN FALL 2015**

Director of Park and Recreation Kaiser and Lonnie Karste presented the staff report dated June 9, 2015 recommending the City Council review and approve conceptual plans for the Prewett Community Park Final Phase Development Project and authorize the development of plans and specifications for public bidding in fall of 2015.

Dennis Berkshire, Aquatic Design Group, gave an overhead presentation of Spray Park options.

In response to Council, Mr. Berkshire clarified the theme of the features could be discussed further as each slide was handmade providing the opportunity to change illustrations within the budget.

Director of Parks and Recreation Kaiser reported the Parks and Recreation Commission recommended option "B" for the look it would bring to the Water Park as well as for the opportunity it would provide young children to interact with children with disabilities.

On motion by Councilmember Tiscareno, seconded by Councilmember Rocha, the City Council unanimously supported the option "B" conceptual plan for the Spray Pad/Splash Pad.

Cordy Hill, Royston Hanamoto Alley & Abey, gave an overhead presentation of playground, picnic and sport court options.

In response to Council, Park and Recreation Director Kaiser explained that the park system provided 12 basketball courts throughout the community. She reported the Parks and Recreation Commission recommended option "A" and removal of the basketball court so the project would fall within the budgetary guidelines. She noted the all access playground was one of the highest priorities in the City's strategic plan.

Lori Cook, Antioch resident, spoke in support of option "A" for the all accessible playground and option "B" for the spray park/splash pad area. She suggested the City consider the need for more handicapped parking in the area.

Bernice Sweeney Lucero, speaking on behalf of Beverly Knight, spoke in support of Option A, for the all accessible playground.

Mr. Karste reviewed the current project budget.

Chief Cantando reported there were 69 calls for service last year at Prewett Park, which included alarms calls as well as assaults, thefts, and weapons violations at the Skate Park. He added that the City of Brentwood did not open their Skate Park unless a member of staff was present to supervise. He expressed concern for the compatibility of the all access playground with the basketball area. He reported the Antioch Police Activities League (PAL) was developing a drop-in supervised afterschool gym program for the community center.

Director of Park and Recreation Kaiser reported Deer Valley High School had assessable basketball courts and she would be working with the School Administration to provide afterschool sporting amenities for the middle school and high school age groups.

Councilmember Tiscareno stated he envisioned park improvements to provide activities for all ages and suggested the basketball courts be staffed or closed after hours.

In response to Mayor Harper, Mr. Karste responded that fencing the basketball court would be very expensive and commented that if it was Council's desire to support the basketball court, it should be included now to get the best possible bid estimate.

In response to Councilmember Ogorchock, Interim City Attorney Cole explained that this particular park would not create any new liabilities the City would not have by simply maintaining a City owned park.

Councilmember Rocha stated she understood the need for the basketball court; however, she could not support placing it next to the special needs population. She stated there were other resources available for basketball programs in the City.

Following discussion, Mayor Harper reported the youth in the community had requested more activities and felt it was important to provide a location for them to play basketball at the Prewett Park. He stated he would not support the following motion to exclude the basketball courts.

Councilmember Tiscareno agreed with Mayor Harper and noted that while he supported option "A", he would not support the motion to exclude the basketball court.

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Rocha, the City Council approved option "A" expanded playground/picnic area with no basketball court. The motion carried the following vote:

*Ayes: Wilson, Ogorchock and Rocha*

*Noes: Harper, Tiscareno*

**3. APPROVE THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE OUT OF AGENCY SERVICES AND PROJECT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ANTIOCH AND NRG ENERGY**

Director of Park and Recreation Kaiser presented the staff report dated June 9, 2015 recommending the City Council approve the Second Amendment to the Out of Agency Services

and Project Agreement between the City of Antioch and NRG Energy that established the Antioch Community Foundation.

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Tiscareno, the City Council unanimously approved the Second Amendment to the Out of Agency Services and Project Agreement between the City of Antioch and NRG Energy that established the Antioch Community Foundation.

**4. AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONSULTANT CONTRACTS WITH PLANNING FIRMS PMC, LOEWKE, AND RANEY PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT EXTENDING THE TERM FOR THREE YEARS, AND AMENDING THE CONTRACT VALUE TO A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000) EACH**

Director of Community Development Ebbs presented the staff report dated June 9, 2015 recommending the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend the contracts for PMC, Loewke, and Raney Planning and Management to extend the agreements for three (3) years, and amend the contract value by \$100,000 each, bringing the total to \$200,000 each.

On motion by Councilmember Tiscareno, seconded by Councilmember Rocha, the City Council unanimously authorized the City Manager to amend the contracts for PMC, Loewke, and Raney Planning and Management to extend the agreements for three (3) years, and amend the contract value by \$100,000 each, bringing the total to \$200,000 each.

**5. WATER TREATMENT PLANT DISINFECTION IMPROVEMENTS (P.W. 246-29)**

Assistant City Engineer Filson presented the staff report dated June 9, 2015 recommending that the City Council approve the proposal and authorize the City Manager to sign an agreement with CDM Smith, Inc. for engineering services related to the Water Treatment Plant Disinfection Improvements project in the amount of \$493,423.

On motion by Councilmember Rocha, seconded by Councilmember Ogorchock, the City Council unanimously approved the proposal and authorized the City Manager to sign an agreement with CDM Smith, Inc. for engineering services related to the Water Treatment Plant Disinfection Improvements project in the amount of \$493,423.

**6. WATER TREATMENT CHEMICALS PURCHASE**

Deputy Director of Public Works Bechtholdt presented the staff report dated June 9, 2015 recommending the City Council authorize the joint agency cooperative purchase arrangement, and issuance of purchase orders for bulk water treatment plant chemicals to the overall lowest bidders Airgas Specialty Products Inc, BHS Specialty chemical Products, Chemtrade Chemicals, Sierra Chemical, and Univar USA not to exceed \$1,200,000 and authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with these companies to provide these products.

On motion by Councilmember Tiscareno, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, the City Council unanimously authorized the joint agency cooperative purchase arrangement, and issuance of

purchase orders for bulk water treatment plant chemicals to the overall lowest bidders Airgas Specialty Products Inc, BHS Specialty chemical Products, Chemtrade Chemicals, Sierra Chemical, and Univar USA not to exceed \$1,200,000 and authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with these companies to provide these products.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Curtis Holzer, Antioch resident, provided written comment for City Council consideration.

### **STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

City Manager Duran announced he had met with Contra Costa County Transportation Authority who would be bringing a presentation forward for the July 28, 2015 City Council meeting. He stated he had also attended the Mayor's Golf Tournament fundraiser.

### **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Rocha reported on her attendance at the American Legion dinner recognizing State Commander Janet Wilson.

Councilmember Tiscareno reported on his attendance at the Mayor's Cup Golf Tournament.

Councilmember Ogorchock reported on her attendance at several graduations and the Mayor's Cup Golf Tournament.

Councilmember Wilson reported on her attendance at the Chamber of Commerce Mixer, the Opportunity Junction graduation, High School graduations, State of the City and Neighborhood Cleanup. She requested an update with regards to the 239 extension.

City Manager Duran responded that the update on the 239 extension could be included in the transportation discussion at the July 28, 2014 meeting.

Mayor Harper reported on his attendance at State of the City events and the Mayor's Cup Golf Tournament.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Mayor Harper adjourned the meeting at 9:21 P.M. to the next regular Council meeting on June 23, 2015.

Respectfully submitted:

*Kitty Eiden*  
KITTY EIDEN, Minutes Clerk