

City Council, Regular Meeting
 Civic Center Council Chambers
 777 Cypress Avenue
 Redding, California
 April 17, 2007 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Council Member Jones.

The Invocation was offered by Police Chaplain Ray Foust.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dickerson with the following Council Members present: Bosetti, Jones, Murray, and Stegall.

Also present were City Manager Starman, Assistant City Manager Bachman, City Attorney Duvernay, Development Services Director Hamilton, Transportation and Engineering Director Tippin, Electric Utility Manager Keener, City Clerk Strohmayer, Assistant City Clerk Sherman, and Executive Assistant Stribley.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(L-010-045)

Jeff Morrow, Redding resident, related that his appeal regarding a construction project on Rose Avenue was denied by the City Council in 2005. However, he alleged that Council's denial was based on erroneous information regarding the cost of certain construction requirements imposed by the Fire Marshal. He indicated that these requirements are cost prohibitive and that he should be granted a second appeal based on this information.

PRESENTATION - Healthy Shasta

(A-050-060 & A-050-060-450)

James Finck, of Healthy Shasta, provided information regarding obesity in America, particularly in children, and its direct correlation to inactivity and poor nutritional habits. He stated that the YMCA, Shasta County Public Health, and Mercy Medical Center are partnering in the Healthy Shasta Program along with the City of Redding, Turtle Bay, the McConnell Foundation, and First Class Shasta to realize a goal to halt the rise of obesity and prevent chronic disease by stimulating people to be more physically active and to eat healthier. With that goal in mind, he invited everyone to participate in the "Walk with the Mayor" Program by meeting under the City Hall breezeway every Tuesday at noon beginning May 1, 2007, through the month of May. Additional walks are scheduled for May 14th at Mercy Oaks and May 23rd at Lema Ranch. He also invited everyone to attend a workshop regarding healthy lifestyles on May 31, 2007, at Mistletoe Elementary School, and to join in a walk led by Mayor Dickerson on June 30, 2007, at the Farmers' Market which will include other children's nutrition activities. Mr. Finck stated that on May 4, Mayor Dickerson will meet with the Mayors of Anderson and Shasta Lake to invite them to partner in this endeavor to improve the lives and health of the people throughout the community.

RESOLUTION -Commending Shasta High School Team 1 as the Redding 2007 Regional Science Bowl winners

(A-050-125)

Electric Utility Manager Keener related that the Redding Regional Science Bowl (Science Bowl) is sponsored each year by the U.S. Department of Energy, the Western Area Power Administration, and the Redding Electric Utility. In addition, local sponsors such as the of City of Shasta Lake, Coca Cola Bottling, Lassen Municipal Utility District, North Valley Bank, Simpson University, CH2M Hill, Skyway Machine, Inc., Trinity Public Utility District, Mercy Medical Center, Wallner Plumbing, and many others also support the Science Bowl to ensure its continued success.

Mr. Keener announced that the Shasta High School Team 1 won the competition which included 24 teams from 13 area high schools, and he introduced team members and coaches.

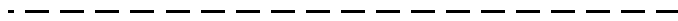
Mr. Keener recommended adoption of the resolution commending Shasta High School Team 1 for winning the Redding 2007 Regional Science Bowl.

Mayor Dickerson presented First Place plaques to the Shasta High School Team 1 winners of the Science Bowl.

MOTION: Made by Council Member Murray, seconded by Council Member Bosetti, adopting Resolution No. 2007-54, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding commending the Shasta High School Team 1 for winning Redding’s 2007 Regional Science Bowl Competition and thanking all of the participants, sponsors, and volunteers who made the Science Bowl a success. The Vote:

- AYES: Council Members - Bosetti, Jones, Stegall, Murray, and Dickerson
- NOES: Council Members - None
- ABSTAIN: Council Members - None
- ABSENT: Council Members - None

Resolution No. 2007-54 is on file in the Office of the City Clerk.



CONSENT CALENDAR

The following matters were considered inclusively under the Consent Calendar:

Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting of April 3, 2007, and Special Meetings of February 15, 2007, March 19, 2007 and April 3, 2007

Approval of Payroll and Accounts Payable Registers
(A-050-100-500)

It is recommended that Accounts Payable Register No. 19, check numbers 850326 through 850711 inclusive, in the amount of \$4,242,291.15, for the period of April 2, 2007, through April 13, 2007; and Payroll Register No. 20 electronic deposit transaction numbers 203803 through 204616 and check numbers 535284 through 535419 inclusive, in the amount of \$2,403,224, for the period of March 11, 2007, through March 24, 2007, be approved.
TOTAL: \$6,645,515.15

Resolution - Declaring April 2007 as “Fair Housing Month”
(A-050-060-600)

It is the recommendation of the City Manager that Resolution No. 2007-55 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding declaring April 2007 as “Fair Housing Month” in the City.

Assign 2007 Single-Family Private Activity Bond Fair Share Allocation - CRHMFA Homebuyers Fund (formerly California Rural Home Mortgage Finance Authority)
(R-030-100-400)

It is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council authorize that a letter be sent to the California Rural Home Mortgage Finance Authority’s (CRHMFA) Homebuyers Fund (CHF) assigning the City’s 2007 Single-Family Private Activity Bond Fair Share Allocation in the amount of \$335,489 to CHF in order to continue the City’s participation in the tax-exempt First-Time Homebuyers program (FirstHouse) administered by CHF and that a letter be sent to the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee (CDLAC) reflecting same.

Resolution - Granting final approval of General Plan Amendment GPA-2-01, for Stillwater Business Park
(G-030-010)

It is the recommendation of the Development Services Director that Resolution No. 2007-56 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding amending the General Plan Diagram of the City by adopting General Plan Amendment GPA-2-01, for Stillwater Business Park located north and south of Rancho Road and east of Stillwater Creek from “General Industry,” “Park,” “Residential, 5 acres,” and “Greenway” to “General Industry” and “Greenway.”

Resolution - Appropriating Fire Facilities Impact Fee funds for safety stop lights at Airport Road and Flight Avenue
(T-080-700/^B-130-070/C-050-275-070)

It is the recommendation of the Fire Chief that Resolution No. 2007-57 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding approving and adopting the 75th amendment to City Budget Resolution No. 2005-77 appropriating \$25,000 for safety stop lights at the intersection of Airport Road and Flight Avenue for fiscal year 2006-07.

Grant - Office of Traffic Safety for seatbelt enforcement
(G-100-170 & P-150-150)

It is the recommendation of the Police Chief that the City Council accept a Grant in the amount of \$8,000 from the Office of Traffic Safety for seatbelt enforcement during a 21-day period from May 14 through June 3, 2007.

Resolution - Proclaiming May 2 and 3, 2007, as "California Peace Officers Memorial Days," May 17, 2007, as "Shasta County Peace Officers Memorial Day," and May 13 through 19, 2007, as "National Peace Officers' Week"
(A-050-060-600/P-150-150/A-050-270)

It is the recommendation of the Police Chief that Resolution No. 2007-58 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding proclaiming May 2 and 3, 2007, as "California Peace Officers Memorial Days," May 17, 2007, as "Shasta County Peace Officers Memorial Day," and May 13 through 19, 2007, as "National Peace Officers' Week" in the City.

Notice of Completion - Bid Schedule No. 3966, Turtle Bay Restroom and Canoe Launch Facility
(B-050-020/P-050-650/C-070-250-250)

it is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that Bid Schedule No. 3966 (Job No. 9222), Turtle Bay Restroom and Canoe Launch Facility awarded to Randy Hill Construction be accepted as satisfactorily completed and that the City Clerk be authorized to file a Notice of Completion. The final cost was \$535,423.64.

Resolution - Approving Two Grant Applications to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for Capital Improvement Projects at Redding Municipal Airport; and
Resolution - Approving a Grant Application to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and State of California for Capital Improvement Projects at Benton Airpark
(G-100-070-095/^G-100-170/A-090-100/A-090-020)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that Resolution No. 2007-59 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding authorizing filing a grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Entitlement funds and a grant application to the FAA for AIP Discretionary funds in a total amount of \$3,149,250 to provide land acquisition for Airport-approach protection, possible modifications to the Terminal Building Rehabilitation/Expansion Feasibility and Concept Design (Phase II), rehabilitation of Taxiways "A" and "B", purchase of a FOD Boss Sweeper and 4X4 truck with a snowplow attachment, aircraft storage hangar taxilane, westside taxilane, and extension of Municipal Boulevard for fiscal year 2007-08. The City's matching funds in the amount of \$165,750 to be provided through the Passenger Facility Charges. The City Manager or his designee is authorized to execute all necessary documents.

It is further recommended that Resolution No. 2007-60 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding authorizing a grant application to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for AIP Entitlement funds in the amount of \$150,000 for capital improvement projects at Benton Airpark to include runway safety area improvement - Design (Phase II) for fiscal year 2007-08, approving a grant application to Caltrans in the amount of \$3,750 for a portion of the City's required matching funds with Airport Funds providing an additional \$4,145 of the required match, and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all necessary documents.

Award of Bid - Bid Schedule No. 3970, Benton Airpark Drainage Improvements, Phase I; and

Resolution - Appropriating funds for same
(B-050-020/B-130-070/A-090-020)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that Bid Schedule No. 3970 (Job No. 9200), Benton Airpark Drainage Improvements, Phase I, be awarded to Site Work Solutions in the amount of \$310,296.75, an additional \$41,000 be approved for administration and inspection fees, and an additional \$31,000 to provide a construction contingency fund for a total amount of \$382,296.75.

It is further recommended that Resolution No. 2007-61, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding approving and adopting the 74th amendment to City Budget Resolution No. 2005-77 appropriating \$157,900 for Benton Airpark Drainage Improvements Phase I for fiscal year 2006-07.

First Amendment to Authorization of Services #05-03 - Mead & Hunt, Inc.

(A-090-100)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that the City Council approve the First Amendment to Authorization of Service #05-03 with Mead & Hunt, Inc. in the amount of \$10,000 for design of the reconstruction of Taxiways "A" and "B" at the Redding Municipal Airport increasing the scope of work and extending the term to December 31, 2007.

Amendments to Site License Agreement - Clearwire LLC

(C-070-100)

It is the recommendation of the Municipal Utilities Director that the City Council authorize the Mayor to execute amendments to the Site Lease Agreement with Clearwire LLC for use of facilities at the City water reservoir site at 3100 Foothill Boulevard and the City water reservoir site at 941 Springer Drive to include site security, emergency and normal operation of Water Utility, future water tank replacement, permitting, and a payment of \$50,000 per site to the City for release of landscaping requirements

MOTION: Made by Council Member Stegall, seconded by Council Member Jones, that all the foregoing items on the Consent Calendar be approved and adopted as recommended.

The Vote:

- AYES: Council Members - Bosetti, Jones, Murray, Stegall, and Dickerson
- NOES: Council Members - None
- ABSTAIN: Council Members - None
- ABSENT: Council Members - None

Resolution Nos. 2007-55, 2007-56, 2007-57, 2007-58, 2007-59, 2007-60, and 2007-61 are on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

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PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION - Ordering Abandonment of an Open Space Easement A-5-06 at 3007 & 3049 Sunglow Drive and 3040 & 3052 Stonecrest Place

(A-010-040)

The hour of 7:00 p.m. having arrived, Mayor Dickerson opened the public hearing to consider a resolution ordering abandonment of an open space easement (A-5-06) at 3007 & 3049 Sunglow Drive and 3040 & 3052 Stonecrest Place, by Signature-Northwest Partnership.

The following documents are on file in the Office of the City Clerk:

- Affidavit of Publication - Notice of Public Hearing
- Affidavit of Mailing - Notice of Public Hearing

City Clerk Strohmayer advised that no protests were received.

Development Services Director Hamilton related that the original developer of the Country Heights Subdivision, Signature-Northwest Partnership, requested that the open space easement A-5-06 be abandoned as it does not meet the criteria established by the General Plan. He stated that when the final map was recorded, the easement was located behind lots 3007 and 3049 Sunglow Drive and 3040 and 3052 Stonecrest Place. However, during construction these lots were graded (with an approved grading plan) to less than 20% slope, fences were installed, and once these lots were sold, homeowners made improvements to the property. He added that those lots were never intended to meet the open-space easement requirements and it was an oversight during the final map process.

Mr. Hamilton explained that because the property now lacks the open-space easement slope criteria of 20% or more as set forth in the General Plan, and because the area would serve no public purpose, he recommended that a resolution be adopted abandoning a portion of a public open-space easement located on property at 3007 and 3049 Sunglow Drive and 3040 and 3052 Stonecrest Place.

Mayor Dickerson determined that no one present wished to address this matter and closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Made by Council Member Stegall, seconded by Council Member Murray, adopting Resolution No. 2007-62, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding, abandoning a portion of a public open-space easement A-5-06 on property located at 3007 and 3049 Sunglow Drive and 3040 and 3052 Stonecrest Place. The Vote:

AYES: Council Members - Bosetti, Jones, Murray, Stegall, and Dickerson
 NOES: Council Members - None
 ABSTAIN: Council Members - None
 ABSENT: Council Members - None

Resolution No. 2007-62 is on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

PUBLIC HEARING - Mitigated Negative Declaration and Tentative Subdivision Map Application S-24-05 for Bottlebrush Subdivision; and

ORDINANCE - Approving Development Agreement with Hansen PSC, Inc. (S-101-108)

The hour of 7:00 p.m. having arrived, Mayor Dickerson opened the public hearing regarding the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Tentative Map Application S-24-05 for the Bottlebrush Subdivision and consideration of an ordinance relative to the Development Agreement with Hansen PSC, Inc.

The following documents are on file in the Office of the City Clerk:

Affidavit of Publication - Notice of Public Hearing
 Affidavit of Mailing - Notice of Public Hearing

City Clerk Strohmayer advised that no protests were received.

Development Services Director Hamilton related that the proposed Bottlebrush Subdivision, developed by Hansen PSC, Inc.(Developer), will be located adjacent to Interstate 5 (I-5) between Alamine and Bottlebrush Drives, and consists of 28 residential lots on 8.95 acres.

Mr. Hamilton explained that the Tentative Map Application (S-24-05) is contingent on approval and execution of a Development Agreement between the City and the Developer for the proposed connection of Alamine and Bottlebrush Drives allowing development of the connection across City-owned land and requires City Council approval. Mr. Hamilton said that this connection is necessary to improve ingress and egress and enhance public safety for the 333 homes located in the area. He stated that because of the number of homes in the area, a secondary access would normally be required, but the amount of grading necessary to produce that secondary access would make development of 28 lots cost prohibitive and it is staff's opinion, that connection of the two streets adequately mitigates the issue. He said that additional safety requirements and amenities are sprinkler systems in several of the homes, vegetation treatments around the perimeter of the subdivision and construction of a soundwall on lots immediately adjacent to I-5. In return, the Development Agreement will require the Developer to construct the connecting roadway and also make improvements to nearby Peppertree Park and the associated trail system.

Mr. Hamilton recommended that the City Council make findings to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for the Bottlebrush Subdivision, approve Tentative Map Application S-24-05, subject to the conditions of approval, and offer an ordinance for first reading, by title only, approving the Bottlebrush Subdivision Development Agreement with Hansen PSC, Inc.

Council Member Murray expressed concern that the subdivision is being constructed in a designated greenway and wildfire area. Mr. Hamilton responded that it is staff's determination that this particular property does not meet the criteria established for open space/greenway zoning and fire sprinklers in homes and vegetation management will mitigate the wildfire dangers.

MOTION: Made by Council Member Stegall, seconded by Council Member Murray, adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for the Bottlebrush Subdivision finding that it will have no significant effects on the environment and reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the City, approving Tentative Subdivision Map Application S-24-05 finding that the:

1. Project is compatible with the General and Specific Plans;
2. Project will not significantly alter existing land form;
3. Project is compatible with surrounding land use;
4. Project is compatible with the Redding Municipal Code and the Mitigated Negative Declaration authorized by the Development Services Department.

Council Member Stegall offered Ordinance 2385 for first reading, an uncodified ordinance of the City Council of the City of Redding approving the Development Agreement with Hansen PSC, Inc., relative to the development known as the Bottlebrush Subdivision and finding that the Agreement is in the best interest of the City and would promote the public interest, welfare, and safety of the City.

MOTION: Made by Council Member Stegall, seconded by Council Member Murray, that the full reading of Ordinance 2385 be waived, and that the City Attorney be instructed to read the full title. The Vote: Unanimous Ayes

APPOINTMENTS - Reappointments to the Redding Planning Commission
(B-080-300)

MOTION: Made by Council Member Murray, seconded by Council Member Stegall, reappointing Michelle Goedert and Randall Smith to the Planning Commission to each serve a four-year term expiring May 1, 2011.

The Vote: Unanimous Ayes

UPDATE ON MAJOR PROJECTS - Stillwater Business Park
(A-050-080 & E-050-500)

Assistant City Manager Bachman recalled that the Final Environmental Initial Study and the Environmental Impact Report for the Stillwater Business Park Project was completed last spring, the design phase is 90% complete with preparation for bids in late summer, the Sanders property was purchased, the Biological Opinion and Streambed Alteration Permits were received, the 404 Permit Application and the 401 Permit Application were submitted (approval expected sometime in April), negotiations for rights-of-way are in process, the SHASTEK financing is complete, as is the General Fund financing, and the Shasta Airports Land Use Commission (ALUC) amendment completed with approval.

Mr. Bachman related that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Land Release over the southern portion of the Project is nearing completion, along with the General Plan Amendment, annexation of properties is scheduled to go to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) in May, staff will be defending the City's California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) position in a litigation, the newly-hired Economic Development Director will begin work on April 24th and will be charged with developing a formal marketing plan for the Project, pricing initial lots for sale when construction is complete, and ongoing talks continue with two potential tenants.

No action was required on this informational item.

RESOLUTION - Amending the Employment and Benefit Policies for Unrepresented Employees
(P-100-050-100)

City Manager Starman related that many of the City's employees are represented by various unions or labor organizations which negotiate wages and benefits for members. However, approximately 300 employees comprised of department directors, division managers, part-time employees, etc. are unrepresented. For these employees, appropriate changes to salaries and benefits are considered annually in order to provide equity and keep pace with the market and other cost-of-living conditions.

Mr. Starman stated that staff is proposing a 3% cost-of-living-adjustment (COLA), which roughly approximates current inflation and/or the cost-of-living index, to all unrepresented employees effective July 1, 2007. Exceptions to the proposal are six employees in the Fire Department (Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief, Fire Marshall, and Battalion Chiefs) who will receive a 5% COLA which includes compensation to offset the 10% employee contribution

toward health insurance premiums and also ensures that the salary differential is significant enough to make the position desirable for recruitment purposes. He pointed out that the Police Chief will receive 6.25% (approximately the same amount provided to Police managers through negotiations with Redding Police Management Association) for the above stated reasons. Mr. Starman explained that with regard to health care premiums, the remainder of unrepresented employees will be divided into a tiered wage formula wherein they will receive the 3% COLA plus additional compensation to offset the 10% contribution toward health care premiums effective July 1, 2007, as follows: Employees earning more than \$100,000 annually will receive an additional 1% increase in salary (total of 4%), those earning between \$75,000 and \$100,000 will receive an additional 1.5% increase, and those earning less than \$75,000 annually will receive an additional 2%.

Mr. Starman stated that additional proposed changes are: 1) Increase the uniform allowance for public safety managers from \$625 to \$900 per year, 2) Eliminate educational incentives for an Associate Degree on July 1, 2011, 3) Add a 2.5% incentive to Fire management employees with a NFPA Chief Officer Certificate; 4) Retain the 5% incentive for a Bachelor's Degree, but eliminate the 120 college units incentive on July 1, 2011, 5) Retain the 7.5% for a Master's Degree and also apply this to Fire management employees with a Bachelor's Degree and a NFPA Executive Officer Certificate, and 6) Provide that the incentive rates proposed would not be additive in that no employee could receive more than a 7.5% educational incentive.

Mr. Starman recommended that a resolution be adopted approving the changes to salaries and benefits for unrepresented employees as set forth above.

Carl Arness, Redding resident, expressed concern that City employee wages are increasing, and pointed to a recent Record Searchlight article that stated that the average annual income for Redding residents is \$51,000. He said that salary and benefits received by City workers result in an additional \$13,000 of spending power per year over the average resident.

Council Member Murray supported employee participation in payment of ever-increasing health insurance premiums. He pointed out that while employees are receiving an additional wage increase to offset this contribution in 2007, the City will save a significant amount of money over the next 20 years through this participation.

Council Member Bosetti also supported employee participation, but expressed concern that the taxpayer bears the brunt of these benefits.

Council Member Jones also supported employee-paid contributions, but opposed COLAs above the 3% particularly for Fire management and the Police Chief. He requested that staff provide an alternative that eliminated any increase that exceeded the 3% COLA.

MOTION: Made by Council Member Murray, seconded by Council Member Stegall, adopting Resolution No. 2007-63, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding, approving salary and benefit amendments to the Unrepresented Employees as set forth above including the Executive Management Pay-for-Performance Salary Plan, effective July 1, 2007. The Vote:

AYES:	Council Members - Murray, Stegall, and Dickerson
NOES:	Council Members - Bosetti and Jones
ABSTAIN:	Council Members - None
ABSENT:	Council Members - None

Resolution No. 2007-63 is on file in the Office of the City Clerk

GRANT APPLICATIONS - Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee
(G-100-170 & B-080-650-639)

City Manager Starman related that State law requires that Indian Gaming facilities such as Win River Casino, return a portion of their profits to local jurisdictions within their community to mitigate impacts of the facility. To that end, the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee (LCBC) was formed to determine distribution of those funds. He advised that the City has been a recipient of a portion of these funds in 2004, 2005, and 2006.

Mr. Starman recommended that the City make application to the LCBC for three grants in the total amount of \$525,000 for: 1) the South Bonnyview Road Widening Project (\$200,000), 2) a backup aerial ladder truck (\$290,000) for the Fire Department, and 3) the South Redding traffic safety project (\$92,000).

In response to Council Member Jones, Fire Chief Fry advised that purchase of a new aerial ladder truck is significantly more expensive (\$700,000) than one that is used, and he pointed out that the purchase of a good late model used ladder truck will still require research to locate the best value for the amount of funding available. He added that it is more practical to purchase a used truck which is equipped and configured as closely as possible to the existing vehicle in order to eliminate training time.

MOTION: Made by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Bosetti, authorizing staff to submit three grant applications to the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee in the amount of \$525,000, available as mitigation for impacts related to the Win River Casino for the following projects: 1) South Bonnyview Road Widening, 2) Backup Aerial Ladder Fire Truck, and 3) South Redding Traffic Safety Project.

The Vote: Unanimous Ayes

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, at the hour of 8:19 p.m., Mayor Dickerson declared the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk