

City Council, Regular Meeting
Civic Center Council Chambers
777 Cypress Avenue
Redding, California
May 1, 2007 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by John Sharrah.

The Invocation was offered by Police Chaplain Charlene Payment.

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

Also present were City Manager Starman, Assistant City Manager Bachman, City Attorney Duvernay, Transportation and Engineering Director Tippin, Police Chief Moty, City Clerk Strohmayer, and Executive Assistant Stribley.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

(E-020-010)

Redding resident, Sue Lynn expressed concern regarding global warming and climate changes related to human activity. She urged Redding Electric Utility (REU) to work toward a goal of 20% renewable energy sources.

Council Member Stegall pointed out that, in fact, the City’s Electric Utility has obtained approximately 35% of its resources in renewable energy.

(P-150-070 & L-010-040)

William Farrell, Redding resident, advised that his submission of an application to City’s Permit Center to construct a commercial building at State Highway 299 and Old Eureka Way was not approved because of a requirement imposed by the Fire Marshal for 26-foot-wide fire access roads on all sides of the project.

Mayor Dickerson referred Mr. Farrell back through the Planning Permit process where his concerns could be addressed.

(P-050-460 & P-150)

Fran Jenkins, Redding resident, related that vandals recently broke through the gates to a private walkway over the Anderson-Cottonwood Irrigation District (ACID) at Sharon Avenue. She stated that this is the first incident of vandalism in ten years and attributed it to recent discussions regarding the possibility of allowing public access through a trail system that would infringe on private property along the ACID canal. She added that she and a neighbor paid to have the gates repaired and re-posted with “No Trespassing” signs.

PRESENTATION - Appreciation Plaque to Fred Bergstrom

(B-080-050)

Mayor Dickerson presented Fred Bergstrom with a City Clock in appreciation of his service on the Board of Appeals from January 1999, to January 2007.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

The following matters were considered inclusively under the Consent Calendar:

Approval of Minutes - Regular and Special Meetings of March 20, 2007

Approval of Payroll and Accounts Payable Registers

(A-050-100-500)

It is recommended that Accounts Payable Register No. 20, check numbers 850712 through 851144 inclusive, in the amount of \$11,599,902.63, for the period of April 16, 2007, through April 30, 2007; and Payroll Register No. 21 electronic deposit transaction numbers 204639 through 205456 and check numbers 535455 through 535588 inclusive, in the amount of \$2,364,848.68, for the period of March 25, 2007, through April 7, 2007, be approved.

TOTAL: \$ 13,964,751.31

Treasurer's Report - March 2007

(A-050-100-600)

Total Treasurer's Accountability	-	\$158,078,789.71
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Total City of Redding Funds, Funds Held in Trust, and Funds of Related Entities	-	\$256,577,133.48
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ACR133 Report and Cash Reconciliation

(F-205-095-650)

It is the recommendation of the Assistant City Manager that the ACR133 Report and the Proof of Cash Reconciliation for March 2007 be accepted.

Ordinance - Approving Development Agreement with Hansen PSC, Inc. Re Bottlebrush Subdivision

(S-101-108)

It is the recommendation of the Development Services Director that Ordinance No. 2385 be adopted, 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 (S-24-05), located at 530 Bottlebrush Drive.

Monthly Financial Report - Electric Utility

(B-130-070)

It is the recommendation of the Electric Utility Director that the City Council approve the Electric Utility's Monthly Financial Report for March 2007. Retail power sales revenue was \$689,269 (1.2%) above projections and wholesale power sales through March were \$16,972,055 or 104.2% above projections. Operating revenue after energy costs was \$2,030,014 or 10.4% above expectations. The total cost of electricity through March 2007 was \$16,616,829 or 29.9% above projections. The Utility's net operating results through March is \$3,316,521 above projections.

Award of Bid - Bid Schedule No. 4016, single-phase, pad-type distribution transformers

(B-050-100 & E-090-160)

It is the recommendation of the Electric Utility Director that Bid Schedule No. 4016, single-phase, pad-type distribution transformers be awarded to Howard Industries in the evaluated amount of \$499,535.40.

Letter of Intent - City of Shasta Lake for Negotiation of a Replacement Supplemental Energy Sale and Scheduling Agreement

(E-120-025)

It is the recommendation of the Electric Utility Director that the City Council authorize the City Manager to sign a Letter of Intent with the City of Shasta Lake to negotiate a replacement Supplemental Energy Sale and Scheduling Agreement.

Fire Facilities Impact Fee Study; andSet Public Hearing - To consider amending Redding Municipal Code Section 16.20.030, Fire Facilities Impact Fees

(F-205-600 & P-150-070)

It is the recommendation of the Fire Chief that the City Council accept the Fire Facilities Impact Fee Study and set a public hearing for May 15, 2007, to consider amending Redding Municipal Code Section 16.20.030, Fire Facilities Impact Fees.

Agreement - Shasta County Department of Social Services re Investigative Services

(P-150-150 & S-010)

It is the recommendation of the Police Chief that the City Council authorize the Mayor to execute an Agreement with the Shasta County Department of Social Services for the Redding Police Department to provide an elder abuse investigator for fiscal year 2007-08 in the amount of \$117,848 and the Redding Police Department contributing an additional \$15,000 in personnel costs.

Quarterly Report - Turtle Bay Exploration Park

(C-070-250-250)

It is the recommendation of the Assistant City Manager that the City Council accept the Quarterly Report from the Turtle Bay Exploration Park for the third quarter ending March 31, 2007, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007.

Award of Bid - Bid Schedule No. 4001, Court Street 8-inch Water Main Replacement (B-050-020 & W-030-725)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that Bid Schedule No. 4001 (Job No. 2252), Court Street 8-inch Water Main Replacement be awarded to R.A. Martin Constructors, Inc. in the amount of \$828,828; that an additional \$68,000 be approved for administration/inspection/outside materials testing; and that an additional \$83,000 be approved for a construction contingency fund, for a total amount of \$979,828.

Notice of Completion - Bid Schedule No. 3956, Redding Municipal Airport Security Enhancements (B-050-020 & A-090-100)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that Bid Schedule No. 3956 (Job No. 2205), Redding Municipal Airport Security Enhancements awarded to Wagner Electric be accepted as satisfactorily completed and that the City Clerk be authorized to file a Notice of Completion. The final cost is \$422,244.96.

Resolution - Adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring Program for the Clear Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Rehabilitation and Expansion Project (W-010-450)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that Resolution No. 2007-64 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring Program for the Clear Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Rehabilitation and Expansion Project (Project) and approving the Project.

Commercial Use Permit - Ameritech Industries, Inc. at Redding Municipal Airport (C-070-100 & A-090-100)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that the City Council approve the Commercial Use Permit with Ameritech Industries, dba American Propeller Service and Eagle Engines, to perform engine run-ups and propeller-balancing tests and utilize a tie-down space for short-term storage of aircraft at the Redding Municipal Airport in the amount of \$349 per month for use of three sites with an annual increase of 5 percent for a term of one-year beginning May 1, 2007, with automatic annual renewals.

Second Amendment to Agreement - Enterprise Rent-A-Car at Redding Municipal Airport (C-070-100 & A-090-100)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that the City Council approve the Second Amendment to the Agreement with Enterprise Rent-A-Car of Sacramento to change the form of payment to the City from a percentage of the gross receipts to a flat fee relative to operating at the Redding Municipal Airport.

License Agreements - Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) and Hillside Aviation, Inc. for "Aviation Day 2007" at Benton Airpark (A-090-020 & A-070-080)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that the City Council authorize the Mayor to execute License Agreements with Experimental Aircraft Association and Hillside Aviation, Inc. for use of a portion of Benton Airpark to conduct "Aviation Day 2007" on June 17, 2007, from 7:00 a.m. to mid-afternoon. The City will not receive any revenue nor incur any costs from this event.

Resolution - Appropriating Wastewater Utility funds for replacement of the North Market Lift Station (B-130-070 & W-020-560)

It is the recommendation of the Municipal Utilities Director that Resolution No. 2007-65 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding approving and adopting the 76th amendment to City Budget Resolution No. 2005-77 appropriating an additional \$1,700,500 for the North Market Street Lift Station for fiscal year 2006-07.

Resolution - Appropriating funds from Self-Insurance Reserve Fund for Health and Welfare Benefits Program
(B-130-070 & P-100-150)

It is the recommendation of the Personnel Director that Resolution No. 2007-66 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding approving and adopting the 77th amendment to City Budget Resolution No. 2005-77 appropriating \$1.5 million from the Self-Insurance Reserve Fund for Health and Welfare Benefits Program for fiscal year 2006-07.

Resolution - Appropriating funds from Self-Insurance Reserve Fund for Liability Claims Program
(B-130-070 & R-100-550)

It is the recommendation of the Personnel Director that Resolution No. 2007-67 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding approving and adopting the 78th amendment to City Budget Resolution No. 2005-77 appropriating \$200,000 from the Self-Insurance Reserve Fund for the Liability Claims Program for fiscal year 2006-07.

MOTION: Made by Council Member Stegall, seconded by Council Member Bosetti, 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

Ordinance No. 2385 and Resolution Nos. 2007-64, 2007-65, 2007-66, and 2007-67 are on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

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PUBLIC HEARING - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program

RESOLUTION - Approving 2007-08 Action Plan and funding recommendations
(G-100-030-100/G-100-030-051/G-100-075)

The hour of 7:00 p.m. having arrived, Mayor Dickerson opened the public hearing regarding the 2007-08 Action Plan and funding recommendations for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program.

The following document is on file in the Office of the City Clerk:

Affidavit of Publication - Notice of Public Hearing

City Clerk Strohmayer advised that no protests were received.

City Manager Starman advised that, as an “entitlement city,” Redding is required each year, by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), to develop and implement plans, programs, and projects that provide decent housing and economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income individuals and families. The Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) recently concluded its review process and finalized recommendations for use of CDBG and HOME Programs funds for the 2007-08 program year and has submitted an Action Plan (Plan) for consideration.

Mr. Starman related that this year, the total amount available for CDBG allocations is approximately \$857,872 and \$557,185 in HOME funds. He stated that HOME funds allocations have three components: 1) \$501,467 for various affordable housing programs and projects, 2) \$55,718 for general administration, and 3) \$470,350 for administration and projects.

Mr. Starman reviewed CDBG allocated funding amounts for various activities: \$128,681 is available for Public Service Activities, \$310,000 for Housing Management Services, \$85,787 for Program Administration, \$20,000 for Long-Range Planning, and \$346,388 for other eligible public activities.

Mr. Starman stated that the CDAC and staff recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution accepting the proposed 2007-08 Action Plan and funding recommendations regarding CDBG and HOME funds as contained in the Action Plan, and authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary papers and file the Plan with HUD.

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

MOTION: Made by Council Member Stegall, seconded by Council Member Bosetti, adopting Resolution No. 2007-68 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding accepting the 2007-08 Action Plan and funding recommendations relating to the Community Development Block Grant Program and the Home Investment Partnerships Program and authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents and submit the Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. 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. 2007-68 is on file in the Office of the City Clerk

UPDATE ON MAJOR PROJECTS - North State Anti-Gang Enforcement (NSAGE)
(A-050-080 & P-150-150)

Police Chief Moty provided a Powerpoint presentation depicting North State Anti-Gang Enforcement (NSAGE) activities and pointed out the rise in gang-related incidents over the last decade. He related that the Redding Police Department dedicates two full-time investigators to gang activities with other agencies contributing personnel and equipment to a joint-agency enforcement team developed to maximize limited funding. This served as the impetus for the formation of NSAGE which is comprised of 19 agencies from federal, state, and local levels.

Chief Moty stated there are 26 identified gangs with 102 documented gang members in Shasta County, although most had limited activity. The goal of NSAGE is to diminish the numbers as much as possible.

He added that Tehama County has emulated NSAGE and the program appears to be quite successful in that County, as well.

Mayor Dickerson thanked the Redding Police Department for expanding the NSAGE program to reduce gang-related impacts in the City and all of northern California.

RESOLUTION - Declaring property located on the south side of St. Andrews Drive in Gold Hills Subdivision as surplus; and approving disposition and related actions
(C-070-200)

City Manager Starman related that the piece of property in question is quite small, approximately 30 feet wide and 515 feet long, and is located on the south side of St. Andrews Drive in the Gold Hills Subdivision. He added that the property has been in City ownership since 1986. He pointed out that because of its size, the property can serve no useful municipal purpose for the City and therefore, could appropriately be deemed surplus.

Mr. Starman stated that an adjacent property owner, Mr. Chris Longhurst, approached the City to obtain an easement across said property (approximately 50 feet) to connect to the City sewer located on St. Andrews Drive. Alternatively, if an easement was not granted, Mr. Longhurst would have to connect to the sewer on Hollow Lane at a distance of approximately 1,100 feet. He related that although Mr. Longhurst has a valid concern, staff believes the property should not be encumbered with an easement prior to being sold.

Mr. Starman recommended that a resolution be adopted declaring the strip of land along the southerly edge of St. Andrews Drive as surplus property and approving the disposition of said property to be sold at auction to the highest bidder, limiting bidders to the property owners of record (13) for parcels immediately adjacent to the property on the north and south sides of St. Andrews Drive, and any desired easements to be arranged with the subsequent owner.

Chris Longhurst, Redding resident, explained that the difference in development costs to take sewer lines to St. Andrews Drive as opposed to Hollow Lane is \$50,000, and he urged Council to put the easement in place prior to offering it for sale. Mr. Longhurst explained that should he be outbid, and unable to negotiate an easement to St. Andrews Drive with the successful bidder, alternate routing for the sewer line could make his project financially prohibitive. He did not believe that the easement would reduce the value of the property because of the parcel's limited size.

Council Members Bosetti and Stegall concurred that granting an easement would not devalue the property significantly, but could inhibit development for Mr. Longhurst.

City Attorney Duvernay advised that the appropriate course of action would be for City Council to give staff direction with regard to having the property appraised and then return for consideration of sale of the property.

Council Member Murray observed that granting an easement on the property prior to sale could possibly dilute the bidding pool rendering potential buyers being less than enthusiastic about a small piece of property with restrictions such as an easement. He suggested that the property be appraised for assemblage value to adjacent properties on the southern side of St. Andrews Drive only and that the amount of the appraisal be added to the appraised value of the property.

It was the consensus of the City Council to direct staff to obtain an appraisal for said property and prepare a report for Council consideration to declare the property as surplus, and offer said property for sale to only adjacent property owners on the southerly side of St. Andrews Drive for the appraised amount plus the cost of performing the appraisal.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - General Fund

(B-130-070)

Assistant City Manager Bachman stated that overall, revenues are slightly above projections, however, sales tax is lower than anticipated in March and has softened for the last two quarters. He reported that total revenue at the end of March is \$45.3 million or \$75,765 (0.1%) above staff's cash flow projection. Expenditures at month end, excluding encumbrances, total \$52,573,279 or \$2,561,913 (4.7%) below staff's original projection. Encumbrances total \$1,822,294.

Mr. Bachman recommended that the City Council accept the General Fund Monthly Financial Report for March 2007.

It was the consensus of the City Council to accept the General Fund Monthly Financial Report for March 2007.

ORAL REPORT - City Council Member attendance at conferences/meetings reimbursed at City expense (Requirement of Assembly Bill 1234)

(A-050-060)

Council Members Jones, Bosetti, and Mayor Dickerson reported attendance at the Annual California State Legislative Session and Appreciation Dinner on April 30, 2007, in Sacramento.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, at the hour of 8:12 p.m., Mayor Dickerson declared the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk