

City Council, Regular Meeting  
 Civic Center Council Chambers  
 777 Cypress Avenue  
 Redding, California  
 September 4, 2007 7:00 p.m.

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

The Invocation was offered by Police Chaplain Debbie Ivey

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, City Attorney Duvernay, Development Services Director Hamilton, Transportation and Engineering Director Tippin, Fire Chief Fry, Deputy Fire Chief Becker, Water Utility Manager Norby, City Clerk Strohmayer, Assistant City Clerk Sherman, and Executive Assistant Stribley.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

The following matters were considered inclusively under the Consent Calendar:

Approval of Minutes: Special Meeting of August 20, 2007, and Special and Regular Meetings of August 21, 2007

Approval of Payroll and Accounts Payable Registers

(A-050-100-500)

It is recommended that Accounts Payable Register No. 4, check numbers 854909 through 855293 inclusive, in the amount of \$14,469,972.98, for the period of August 20, 2007, through August 31, 2007; and Payroll Register No. 4 electronic deposit transaction numbers 213709 through 214616 and check numbers 537399 through 537542 inclusive, in the amount of \$2,464,363.36, for the period of August 12, 2007, through August 25, 2007, be approved. TOTAL: \$ 16,934,336.34

Treasurer's Report - July 2007

(A-050-100-600)

Total Treasurer's Accountability - \$155,080,569.34

Total City of Redding Funds, Funds Held in Trust, and Funds of Related Entities - \$274,584,618.93

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 July 2007 be accepted.

Affordable Housing Funds - Community Development Advisory Committee's recommendation to invite six (6) applicants to submit full proposals

(G-030-010)

It is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council accept the recommendations of the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) and invite the following six applicants to submit full proposals for use of the Affordable Housing Funds in the amount of \$1 million (Lowe's):

1. Community Revitalization and Development Corporation
2. LINC Housing
3. Northern Valley Catholic Social Service
4. Page Development
5. Redding Housing Fund Committee
6. Shasta Builders' Exchange

Award of Request for Proposals - Request for Proposals No. 4035, Food and Beverage Services at the Redding Convention Center; and  
Agreement - Paulsen's Catering  
 (B-050-100 & C-050-050)

It is the recommendation of the Support Services Director that Request for Proposals No. 4035, Food and Beverage Services at the Redding Convention Center be awarded to Paulsen's Catering in the amount of \$8,000 per year and a percentage of the profit for a term of five years with two two-year extension options.

It is further recommended that the City Council authorize the Support Services Director to execute a Food and Beverage Service Agreement with Paulsen's Catering.

Equipment Purchase - Two Mitsubishi 115-kV Power Circuit Breakers and Technical Support Services from Bennett-Alvarado, Inc.  
 (E-050-500/E-120-900)

It is the recommendation of the Electric Utility Director that the City Council approve the purchase of two Mitsubishi 115-kV power circuit breakers and technical support services from Bennett-Alvarado, Inc., in the amount of \$143,235.22 for the Airport 230/115-kV Substation Expansion required for the Stillwater Business Park transmission line, jointly-owned by the City and Western Area Power Administration (Western) pursuant to the Interconnection Agreement with Western (lead agency).

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 July 2007. Retail power sales revenue was \$517,337 (6.9%) above projections and wholesale power sales through July totaled \$995,513 or 31.1% above projections. Operating revenue after energy costs was \$686,880 or 17.8% below expectations. The total cost of energy through July 2007 was \$2,196,548 or 31.1% above projections. The Utility's net operating results through July is \$1,041,028.

Resolution - Amending City Council Policy No. 408, Investment Policy  
 (A-050-060-555)

It is the recommendation of the City Treasurer that Resolution No. 2007-186 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding amending City Council Policy No. 408 entitled Investment Policy pursuant to required annual review.

Monthly Financial Report - General Fund  
 (B-130-070)

It is the recommendation of the Assistant City Manager that the City Council accept the General Fund's Monthly Financial Report for July 2007. Total revenue to date is \$3.8 million or \$72,469 (1.9%) below staff's cash flow projection. Expenditures at month end, excluding encumbrances, total \$6,014,872 or \$278,695 (4.5%) below staff's original projection. Encumbrances total \$2,521,696.

Resolution - Summarily vacating a pipe line easement across 2581 and 2693 Churn Creek Road and 2755 and 2751 Downard Lane (A-2-07)  
 (A-010-100)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that Resolution No. 2007-187 be adopted, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding summarily vacating a 20-foot-wide pipe line easement acquired by the Enterprise Public Utility District across property located at 2581 and 2693 Churn Creek Road and 2755 and 2751 Downard Lane (A-2-07), as it is not in use and there are no future plans for use, requested by Manfred Frommer, a property owner.

Notice of Completion - Bid Schedule No. 3970, Benton Airpark Drainage Improvements-Phase 1  
 (B-050-020 & 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 1 awarded to Site Works Solutions, Inc. be accepted as satisfactorily completed and that the City Clerk be authorized to file a Notice of Completion with the Shasta County Recorder. The final price of \$426,569.35.

Notice of Completion - Bid Schedule No. 4033, 2007 Asphalt Concrete Surfacing Replacement Project (B-050-020 & S-070-200)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that Bid Schedule No. 4033 (Job No. 2294), 2007 Asphalt Concrete Surfacing Replacement Project awarded to Ron Hale Construction, Inc., be accepted as satisfactorily completed and that the City Clerk be authorized to file a Notice of Completion with the Shasta County Recorder. The final cost was \$603,123.13.

Award of Bid - Bid Schedule No. 4045, Court Street Alley, Orchard Estates Drive, and Railroad Avenue Sewer Replacement Project (B-050-020 & W-020-575)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that Bid Schedule No. 4045 (Job No. 2293), Court Street Alley, Orchard Estates Drive, and Railroad Avenue Sewer Replacement Project be awarded to Bobby Martin Construction in the amount of \$429,598, an additional \$45,000 be approved for administration and inspection fees and outside materials testing, and an additional \$50,000 be approved for a construction contingency fund, for a total amount of \$524,598.

Award of Bid - Bid Schedule No. 4050, Second Street Water Main Replacement Project (B-050-020 & W-030-725)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that Bid Schedule No. 4050 (Job No. 2250), Second Street Water Main Replacement Project be awarded to Bobby Martin Construction in the amount of \$176,800, an additional \$25,000 be approved for administration and inspection fees, and an additional \$18,000 be approved for a construction contingency fund, for a total amount of \$219,800.

Notice of Completion - Bid Schedule No. 4013, Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Lake Boulevard Sidewalk Improvement Project (B-050-020 & S-070-285)

It is the recommendation of the Transportation and Engineering Director that Bid Schedule No. 4013 (Job No. 2284), Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Lake Boulevard Sidewalk Improvement Project awarded to Axner Excavating, Inc., be accepted as satisfactorily completed and that the City Clerk by authorized to file a Notice of Completion with the Shasta County Recorder. The final cost was \$365,655.77.

**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. 2007-186 and 2007-187 are on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

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PUBLIC HEARING - 2007 California Fire Code and Standards with Amendments  
ORDINANCE - Amending Redding Municipal Code Chapter 9.20 - Fire Prevention (C-110-275 & F-210-550-175)

The hour of 7:00 p.m. having arrived, Mayor Dickerson opened the public hearing regarding adoption of the 2007 California Fire Code and Standards with Amendments amending Redding Municipal Code Chapter 9.20 - Fire Prevention.

The following documents are 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.

Deputy Fire Chief Becker recalled that the California Building Standards Commission adopted the 2006 International Fire Code with California amendments which became known as the "2007 California Fire Code." He related that the Fire Code is amended by the State every three years to increase the safety of structures and occupants by making improvements

over previous editions. He added that the Insurance Services Office (ISO) also assigns higher credits to municipalities for adopting the most recent codes which, when properly enforced, dramatically reduce losses resulting in insurance savings for all residents.

Deputy Chief Becker provided a summary of substantive changes which include requiring fire sprinklers in multiple townhouses, limiting the area of storage for very low-temperature flammable fluids to H-1 (industrial) zones, new construction reference documents for new State requirements protecting homes from wildland fires, regulations prohibiting tampering with fire sprinkler service lines, a new appeal process designating the Fire Chief and the Board of Appeals as final decision makers for adjudicating appeals related to interpretation of the Fire Code and other technical issues, and updates to the existing County regulation regarding fireworks. He stated that within the new Ordinance are findings of fact, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Sections 17058.5, 179587 and 18941.5, indicating adverse conditions of local climatic, geologic, and topographic that impact the community and are necessary to adequately provide the desirable level of fire and life safety protection specific to the Redding area.

Deputy Chief Becker advised that the changes were provided to the Shasta Builders' Exchange which distributed the information to its members and provided comments which were incorporated in the new Code. He stated that the new reference documents were distributed to many contractors for review, particularly those on the west side of the City.

Deputy Chief Becker recommended that the City Council adopt the 2007 California Fire Code and Standards (Code), including Amendments and the Findings of Fact, amend Redding Municipal Code Chapter 9-Fire Prevention, repealing Sections 9.20.200 and 9.20.210, amending and renumbering Sections 9.20.010 through 9.20.200 and adding Section 9.20.070-Explosives and Fireworks, effective January 1, 2008, offer an ordinance for first reading, and waive the full reading.

Council Member Stegall opposed open burning in November and April and suggested phased elimination over the next two years. She believed burning "green" trash to be unnecessary given the numerous City programs offered for elimination of "green" debris and also expressed concern regarding air pollution.

Council Member Murray believed that the new Code lacked clarification in several areas.

Jeff Morrow, Redding resident, opposed adoption of the 2007 California Fire Code with local amendments until further study is done. He did not believe the new code clarified many existing issues such as fire sprinkler alternatives and he opposed establishing the Bureau of Fire Prevention for certain types of appeals.

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

Council Member Jones supported the Code, but was uncomfortable with the amendments, particularly establishment of a Bureau of Fire Prevention for certain appeals which he believed circumvented the public's ability to appeal to the City Council. He supported approval of the Code without local amendments, and advised he would not support the matter if local amendments were included.

City Attorney Duvernay pointed out that the ordinance, as presented, includes the Code with local amendments. However, if the City Council wishes to amend the proposed ordinance to eliminate local amendments, staff would have to rewrite the ordinance and bring it back at a future meeting for consideration.

In response to Council Member Stegall, City Manager Starman explained that the new process for technical regulation appeals would begin with the Department Director, the Fire Chief in this instance, and then to the Bureau of Fire Prevention which would be comprised of technical experts/citizens appointed by Council, not Fire Department employees. He emphasized that this appeal process would not adjudicate policy matters which would continue to be appealed to the Planning Commission and the City Council.

Mr. Duvernay pointed out that the City Council would have some discretion in technical issues by resetting rules in specific areas, such as road widths that were not in conflict with other laws such as the state or the Fire Code.

Council Member Murray urged the matter be delayed to more broadly inform the public of the proposed changes to encourage input. He also believed that review of the new High Fire Severity Zone Map should be conducted prior to moving forward.

Mayor Dickerson supported public input, but pointed out that the meeting and public hearing was duly advertised and the Fire Department had done due diligence by contacting interest groups that would potentially be impacted.

**MOTION:** Made by Council Member Stegall, seconded by Council Member Bosetti adopting the 2007 California Fire Code and Standards (Code), including local Amendments and Findings of Fact, by amending Redding Municipal Code Chapter 9-Fire Prevention, repealing Sections 9.20.200 and 9.20.210, amending and renumbering Sections 9.20.010 through 9.20.200 and adding Section 9.20.070-Explosives and Fireworks, effective January 1, 2008. The Vote:

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

Council Member Bosetti offered Ordinance No. 2394 for first reading, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Redding adopting the 2007 California Fire Code and Standards, including local Amendments and Findings of Fact, by amending Redding Municipal Code Chapter 9-Fire Prevention, repealing Sections 9.20.200 and 9.20.210, amending and renumbering Sections 9.20.010 through 9.20.200 and adding Section 9.20.070-Explosives and Fireworks.

**MOTION:** Made by Council Member Bosetti, seconded by Council Member Stegall, that the full reading of Ordinance No. 2394 be waived, and that the City Attorney be instructed to read the full title. The Vote: Unanimous Ayes

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

City Manager Starman deferred the Stillwater Business Park update to a future meeting.

UPDATE ON MAJOR PROJECTS - Water Utility Projects and Emerging Issues  
(W-030 & A-050-080)

Water Utility Manager Norby provided a Powerpoint presentation depicting Water Utility capital projects and emerging issues. He stated that capital projects are driven by growth and aging infrastructure, and while the Water Master Plan has been sufficient to date, it is scheduled for an update in 2009.

Council Member Murray urged that when the new Water Master Plan is discussed, that the rate of growth and sufficient water resources be envisioned to provide a nexus for these types of capital expansions where water facilities built or expanded should bear a reasonable relationship to the amount of water that can be forecast for the future.

Mr. Norby related that the City receives all of its water through two Bureau of Reclamation contracts (one through the Central Valley Project) which were renewed in 2005 for a forty-year term. The cost is not fixed, but adjusted annually through the Bureau of Reclamation and is subject to cutbacks of 25% or more, dependent on the supply conditions of the Central Valley Project. He stated that there are surface water cutback risks and in order to circumvent those cutbacks, the City is researching water transfer opportunities, new surface water supplies, and developing a comprehensive drought management plan. He explained that the California Department of Health Services issued a Compliance Order in the Fall of 2006, which requires peak capacity reserves of 5% by 2007, and 10% by 2008. To answer the order, a plan was developed which will include four new wells and expansion of the Buckeye Water Treatment Plant to meet those goals.

Mr. Starman added that the peak demand for the community during the “wet” or winter season is about 25 million gallons per day, but in the summer it increases to 50 million gallons per day much of which is irrigation. The goal is to find ways of constructively reducing those amounts through incentives and education.

No action was required on this informational item.

COMPOSITION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF SHASTA COUNTY

(B-080-650-375)

City Attorney Starman explained that the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) has contacted the cities of Redding, Shasta Lake, and Anderson advising that it would be amenable to expand the composition of the Commission from seven seats to eight seats. The current seating comprises two representatives from the Shasta County Board of Supervisors, two representatives from the incorporated cities within the County, two representatives from the independent special districts within the County, and one representative from the general public. He stated that the seats for the incorporated cities are filled by Redding, Shasta Lake, and Anderson, with two cities exercising full voting rights and one seat having no voting rights which is rotated annually. He pointed out that the proposed configuration would allow all three cities voting rights every year.

Mr. Starman recommended that the City Council provide direction to staff as to whether or not to seek legislation to change the seats on LAFCO from seven to eight representatives.

Council Member Murray strongly urged that Council support seeking legislation to reconfigure the seating and voting right on LAFCO to provide all cities with full voting rights each year.

Mayor Dickerson did not support changes to LAFCO and believed that when sitting on the LAFCO Board one should represent the best interest of the County as a whole and not individual municipal agendas.

**MOTION:** Made by Council Member Stegall, seconded by Council Member Murray, directing staff to support LAFCO's pursuit of special legislation to add another city position to the commission. The Vote:

AYES: Council Members - Bosetti, Jones, Murray, and Stegall

NOES: Council Members - Dickerson

ABSTAIN: Council Members - None

ABSENT: Council Members - None

Vi Klaseen, Redding resident, urged the City to pursue full and ongoing representation and voting on the LAFCO Board citing its under representation there and at the Shasta County Transportation Commission. She said that without a permanent seat, there will be missed opportunities for input into projects that could be important to the City.

GRANTS - Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Fund for fiscal year 2006-07; and

LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR - Continued funding for fiscal year 2007-08

(G-100-170/B-080-650-639/S-050)

City Manager Starman related that the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Fund (Fund) was established by the state to mitigate some impacts created by Indian gaming facilities. He reported that the City of Redding has been very fortunate to receive grants through the Fund for fiscal year 2006-07 in the amount of: 1) \$35,000 for the South Redding Traffic Safety Project, and 2) \$207,170 for a portion of funds necessary to provide a backup aerial ladder truck for the Redding Fire Department.

Mr. Starman advised that the Governor removed the funds from the Budget for fiscal year 2007-08 because he did not feel the funds were being used as intended. Staff proposes to send a letter to the Governor urging funding for the mitigation of impacts from the Win River Casino through the grant program.

Mr. Starman recommended acceptance of the aforementioned grants totaling \$242,170 from the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Fund and acknowledged the contributions by Win River Casino to the community through the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Fund, and that staff be directed to send a letter to the Governor urging funding of grants for fiscal year 2007-08.

**MOTION:** Made by Council Member Stegall, seconded by Council Member Murray, accepting the above described grants from the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Fund in the total amount of \$242,170 and directing staff to send a letter to the Governor requesting funding of the grant program.

The Vote: Unanimous Ayes

**ORDINANCE** - Amending Redding Municipal Code Chapter 11.12 - *Speed Limits*, updating speed zones in the City (T-080-750)

Transportation and Engineering Director Tippin stated that establishment of speed zones requires engineering and traffic surveys for all zone every seven years. The surveys consider prevailing speeds, accident records, roadside conditions not readily apparent to a driver, residential density, and pedestrian and bicyclist safety.

Mr. Tippin recommended that Redding Municipal Code Section 11.12.010 be amended to reflect the proposed changes to speed zones on certain streets in the City by offering an ordinance for first reading and waive the full reading.

In response to Council Member Stegall's concerns, City Attorney Duvernay stated that the speed zones are prima facie in that they are the recommended speed for safe travel by the public under the conditions present at the time.

**MOTION:** Made by Council Member Murray, seconded by Council Member Bosetti approving the amendment to Redding Municipal Code (RMC) Section 11.12.010-Speed Limits relating to the establishment of speed zones on various city streets.

The Vote: Unanimous Ayes

Council Member Murray offered Ordinance No. 2395 for first reading, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Redding amending Redding Municipal Code Section 11.12.010-Speed Limits relating to the establishment of speed zones on various City streets.

**MOTION:** Made by Council Member Murray, seconded by Council Member Bosetti, that the full reading of Ordinance No. 2395 be waived, and that the City Attorney be instructed to read the full title. The Vote: Unanimous Ayes

**RESOLUTION** - Amending the Schedule of Wage Rates for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW)-Maintenance Employees, Local 1245 (P-100-050-070)

Personnel Director Johnson advised that in order to more appropriately test and delineate the jobs performed by the Public Works Maintenance Worker assigned to the Redding Convention Center, a new classification is proposed, Convention Center Maintenance Worker with the same salary range of \$10.86 to \$19.65 per hour.

Ms. Johnson recommended that a resolution be adopted amending the Schedule of Wage Rates for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW)-Maintenance Employees, Local 1245, creating the position of Convention Center Maintenance Worker with the same salary range, effective September 9, 2007.

**MOTION:** Made by Council Member Stegall, seconded by Council Member Jones, adopting Resolution No. 2007-188, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redding, amending the Schedule of Wage Rates for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW)-Maintenance Employees, Local 1245, creating the position of Convention Center Maintenance Worker with a salary range of \$10.86 to \$19.65 per hour, effective September 9, 2007. 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. 2007-188 is on file in the Office of the City Clerk

**ORAL REPORT** - City Council Member attendance at conferences/meetings reimbursed at City expense (Requirement of Assembly Bill 1234) (A-050-060)

Council Member Stegall reported attending the Northern California Power Agency meeting in Murphys, California on August 22 and 23, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, at the hour of 9:17 p.m., Mayor Dickerson declared the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk