



## CITY OF GALT

### MINUTES

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive, Galt, California**  
**Tuesday, December 15, 2009, 7:00 p.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the mayor. Council Members present: Payne, Clare, Haines, Meredith, Shelton.

Staff members present: City Manager Behrmann, City Clerk Aguire, Community Development Director Campion, Public Works Director Halladay, City Attorney Rudolph, Chief of Police Cattolico, Finance Director Kiriu, Human Resources Administrator Islas, and Parks and Recreation Director Jeffries.

**OPENING CEREMONIES** - Silent prayer was observed, the flag salute was recited and the video statement was read by the city clerk.

**AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS** - None

**PRESENTATIONS:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** - The clerk announced that members of the audience could address the council on any matter which is not on the agenda but within the subject matter jurisdiction. She advised the location of the speaker sheets, asked that speaker sheets be presented to the clerk prior to addressing council and advised that each person would have a five minute time limit to speak.

Gene Davenport was disappointed in the vote at the last meeting for the local hiring ordinance. He said the contractors should hire local if possible and the ordinance would not cost the City any additional money. He said he was considering getting signatures to place the issue on the November ballot.

John Slaughterback was concerned about the information regarding the Boys & Girls Club and his records request. He said he requested information on the club's financial dealings and received a letter stating the City did not have the information. He also was concerned that the City's money paid off the property loan from the club. He said council ignored the warning from Tim Raboy at the time the loan was made. He then asked council if they knew the status of the water meter upgrade project. He distributed a letter regarding the wastewater treatment plant.

Al Baldwin said next year would be better and there would be more opportunities and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

**CONSENT CALENDAR** - Consisting of Items 1 through 5.

1. **SUBJECT:** Minutes of the special and regular council meetings of December 1, 2009.  
**RECOMMENDATION:** That the city council accept the minutes as submitted.
2. **SUBJECT:** City of Galt Warrants.  
**RECOMMENDATION:** That the city council approve the warrants as submitted.

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3. **SUBJECT:** Award of bid for the Central Galt Interchange Tree Removal Project.  
**RECOMMENDATION:** That the city council adopt Resolution No. 2009-132: 1) authorizing the city manager to execute the contract for the Central Galt Interchange Tree Removal Project with Kingsborough Atlas Tree Surgery, Inc., for the base bid plus additive alternate, in the amount of \$277,565.00; and 2) authorizing the director of public works to accept the removal project and issue the notice of completion upon completion of the work.
4. **SUBJECT:** Annual Activity Report (CA Health & Safety Code 33080, Sections (d), (e), (f), and (g)) for fiscal year 2008-2009 for the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Galt.  
**RECOMMENDATION:** That the city council receive the annual report for fiscal year 2008-2009 for the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Galt.
5. **SUBJECT:** 2008-2009 Annual Report of Financial Transactions of Community Redevelopment Agencies.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the city council adopt Resolution No. 2009-133 accepting the 2008-2009 Annual Report of Financial Transactions of Community Redevelopment Agencies for the City of Galt, inclusive of the Housing Activity Report.

**ACTION:** Upon a motion by Meredith, seconded by Haines, the consent calendar was approved by a unanimous vote.

**SCHEDULED MATTERS - PUBLIC HEARING**

1. **SUBJECT:** Continuation of public hearing commenced December 1, 2009, to consider adoption of Resolution of Necessity determining that the public interest and necessity require the acquisition of certain property and property interests in and to a portion of the Beekman property (APN 150-0082-025) located north of Boessow Road, east of State Route 99, for the Central Galt Interchange and State Route 99 Improvement Project.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff recommends that council: 1) consider all evidence presented on whether the public interest and necessity require the Project; 2) consider all evidence presented on whether the Project is planned or located in the manner that will be the most compatible with the greatest public good and least private injury; 3) consider all evidence presented on whether the subject property is necessary for the Project; 4) make the required findings for adoption as presented herein; and 5) if, based on the evidence presented, council finds and determines each of the aforementioned, and then staff recommends that council adopt the proposed Resolution of Necessity, Resolution No. 2009-134.

Halladay gave a staff report. The mayor opened the public hearing

Ty Beekman, property owner, said they were still waiting for a reply on the counter offer. He said the action on compensation should have been done months before the resolution came forward and encouraged council to continue the negotiation process thereby reaching a fair and equitable settlement to the matter. Hearing no additional comments, the mayor closed the public hearing.

**ACTION:** Upon a motion by Clare, seconded by Haines, Resolution No. 2009-134 was approved by a unanimous vote.

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2. **SUBJECT:** 2009 Transit 5307 Program of Projects.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the city council conduct a public hearing and adopt Resolution No. 2009-135 approve the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2010 Program of Projects using Federal Section 5307 funds.

Halladay gave a staff report. The mayor opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments, the mayor closed the public hearing.

**ACTION:** Upon a motion by Clare, seconded by Meredith, Resolution No. 2009-135 was approved by a unanimous vote.

**REGULAR CALENDAR**

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1. **SUBJECT:** Solar financing program advertising campaign (verbal).  
**STAFF REPORT:** Meredith  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the city council discuss and take action as deemed appropriate.

Meredith asked staff to prepare an article for the next newsletter in April. He also asked the city clerk to create a press release with generalized nature of the program to get the information out there to create a list. Meredith asked to establish a contact on the website. Council agreed.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Meredith was disappointed that Buchanan cancelled the meeting and asked council for Behrmann to relay that Galt needed a meeting. Council agreed.

**ADJOURN AND RECONVENE TO THE GALT CITY COUNCIL.**

**CITY CLERK'S REPORT:** Aguire gave a list of upcoming events.

**COMMENTS BY STAFF:** Halladay reported approval of the State \$16.6 million loan for the WWTP upgrade with repayment over a 20 year period. He also reported that Congressman Lungren had succeeded in getting \$500,000 earmarked for the Central Galt Interchange Project included in the final bill for consideration. Halladay indicated that with the approval of the State loan the contractor had been notified to commence work the first week of January.

**COMMENTS BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**VICE MAYOR PAYNE** attended an STA meeting and commended Halladay on his presentation to the board. She said the audit was available from STA. She then thanked all the commissions and committees for their hard work throughout the year. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**COUNCIL MEMBER CLARE** said they continued working on the rail programs. He thanked Pete Evitch and wanted to agendize the congressional requests for 2010. He said he could set-up a meeting with Lungren and the mayor and wanted to agendize it for the next meeting. He said SACOG had been successful in

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bringing transportation funds into the region and funding had been received for the relocation of the rail line in Sacramento and would be the beginning of the downtown Sacramento transportation hub. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and safe and Happy New Year.

**COUNCIL MEMBER HAINES** thanked parks and recreation for the Lighting of the Night parade. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**COUNCIL MEMBER MEREDITH:** Thanked parks and recreation and Patrice Moreno and the volunteers for the parade. He then talked about a power purchase agreement and Solar Power Inc. and wanted to talk to Solar Power Inc. Behrmann said they have had recent conversations with them regarding installing solar panels for the police department. Behrmann said power agreements were usually on a larger scale. Meredith asked Behrmann to schedule a meeting with Solar Power Inc. and himself. He then said the WalMart EIR was available on the website. Campion said the planning commission meeting was January 14<sup>th</sup>. Meredith asked about round-abouts as a traffic mitigation measure for the project. He asked if the conversation about the round-abouts was because the traffic was that bad. Halladay said the State had highway improvement projects planned and the City was able to take advantage of that to negotiate an agreement for a joint project which included the round-abouts. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**MAYOR SHELTON** thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and thanked council members for their cooperation. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

There being no further business to come before council, the meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Aguire  
City Clerk