



CITY OF GALT

MINUTES

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive, Galt, California
Tuesday, January 5, 2010, 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the mayor. Council Members present: Payne, Clare, Meredith and Shelton. Absent: Haines.

Staff members present: City Manager Behrmann, City Clerk Aguire, City Attorney Rudolph, Community Development Director Campion, Assistant City Attorney Kreisberg and Human Resources Administrator Islas.

PUBLIC COMMENTS The clerk announced that under Government Code Section 54954.3, members of the audience could address the council on any agenda item before or during the council's consideration of the item. 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 had a five minute time limit.

ADJOURN TO SPECIAL CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR** pursuant to and under the authority of Government Code Section 54956.8

PROPERTY: 150-0253-001

NEGOTIATING PARTIES: Jason Behrmann, City Manager and Alfonso, Nohemi, and Jose Quesada

UNDER NEGOTIATION: Instructions to negotiator regarding price and terms.

3. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:** Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(b) - One potential case.

4. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR** pursuant to and under the authority of Government Code Section 54957.6

AGENCY NEGOTIATOR: Eddie Kreisberg

EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION: Galt Police Officers Association (GPOA)

Galt Public Service Unit (GPSU)

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: The council reconvened to open session at 7:00 p.m. at which time the city attorney announced that direction was given to staff with no reportable action on items #1, #3 and #4. He stated closed session would be continued until after the regular meeting at which time item #2 would be addressed.

RECONVENED TO SPECIAL CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION: 10:24 p.m.

2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:** Initiation of litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) - One potential case.

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RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: The council reconvened to open session at 11:00 p.m. at which time the city attorney announced there was no action to report on item #2.

There being no further business to come before council, the meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 11:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Aguire
City Clerk



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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive, Galt, California
Tuesday, January 5, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by the mayor. Council Members present: Payne, Clare, Meredith, Shelton. Absent: Haines.

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 Kiriou, Human Resources Administrator Islas, and Parks and Recreation Director Jeffries.

OPENING CEREMONIES - Silent prayer was observed, the flag salute was recited by Cub Scout Pack 84 Den 3 and the video statement was read by the city clerk.

AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS - None

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Presentation of award for Caring and Compassion Character Awareness – Galt Community of Character Coalition. Vice Mayor Payne introduced those making the presentations. Awards for caring and compassion were presented to Ray Cormier, Pastor Walt Thayer and his wife Joanne and South County Services.
2. Youth Master Plan presentation - Galt Area Youth Coalition- Patricia St. James and the Youth Coalition gave a report on the Galt Youth Master Plan. A forum was being held at Chabolla Community Center, February 17th, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Payne asked to agendize mentoring with the youth. Ms. St. James asked if council would look at a social host ordinance. Shelton asked St. James to come to the public safety committee with the ordinance information.

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 Endicott, High-Speed Train Project, gave council information on upcoming scoping meetings for the Merced to Sacramento rail section. He said the meetings were scheduled January 20th in Stockton, January 21st in Merced, January 27th in Sacramento at Amtrak, and January 28th in Modesto. Clare said the San Joaquin Rail Commission, of which he was a member, was working parallel with this project on commuter rail service and encouraged the citizens to attend the upcoming meetings. He was also chairing a sub-committee at SACOG that was also involved.

John Slaughterback said he was elated that Halladay received the revolving fund loan. He said it saved the City \$6.3 million.

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Rick Walters was concerned about the water meter program. He asked for a refund of overpayment from a flat rate fee.

Jon Zwanziger, 2010 Census, discussed the upcoming census and talked about proper representation. He invited everyone to their open house on January 25th in Elk Grove.

CONSENT CALENDAR - Consisting of Items 1 through 7.

1. **SUBJECT**: Minutes of the special and regular council meetings of December 15, 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.
3. **SUBJECT**: 800 MHz Radio Upgrade Project – addendum.
RECOMMENDATION: That the city council approve a budget appropriation request for final phase of the 800 MHz Radio Project in the amount of \$5,000.
4. **SUBJECT**: Cooperative agreement with Caltrans for the Twin Cities Road/Highway 99 Interchange Interim Improvements.
RECOMMENDATION: That the city council adopt Resolution No. 2010-01 authorizing the city manager to execute a cooperative agreement with the California Department of Transportation to provide for State staff support and reimbursement of \$1,000,000 towards the Twin Cities Road/Highway 99 Interchange Interim Improvements.
5. **SUBJECT**: Replacement parts for Arsenic Treatment Improvements Project.
RECOMMENDATION: That the city council appropriate \$11,000.00 from Fund 5 for pH probe housing units for the Arsenic Treatment Project.
6. **SUBJECT**: Appropriation of grant funds for City Hall ADA Automated Door Project.
RECOMMENDATION: That the city council approve the budget appropriation in the amount of \$4,943.50 from the approved NCCSIF grant funds.
7. **SUBJECT**: Treasurer's Report for period ending November, 2009.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the city council accept the treasurer's report as submitted.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Clare, seconded by Meredith, the consent calendar was approved by a unanimous vote of council members present. Absent: Haines.

SCHEDULED MATTERS - PUBLIC HEARING

1. **SUBJECT**: Public hearing to consider joining the California First Property Assessed Clean Energy Program.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the city council: 1) adopt Resolution No. 2010-02 authorizing Galt to join the California First statewide financing program for energy efficiency and renewable energy improvements; 2) direct the city clerk to forward a certified copy of the adopted resolution

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and proof of publication of the notice of public hearing to Terrence Murphy, California Communities, 2033 N. Main St., Suite 700, Walnut Creek, CA 94596; and 3) approve a budget appropriation request to pay the \$12,500 set up fee to join the program. If that portion of the State Energy Program Grant Request is approved, this set up fee will be refunded to the City as soon as the grant funds are received by California Communities.

Campion gave a staff report. S. Kiriu discussed the details of the grant and the process involved. The mayor opened the public hearing.

John Slaughterback was concerned about the requirements of the homeowner. Meredith reviewed the requirements. Hearing no additional comments, the mayor closed the public hearing.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Meredith, seconded by Clare, Resolution No. 2010-02 and was approved by a unanimous vote of council members present. Absent: Haines.

REGULAR CALENDAR

CITY COUNCIL

1. **SUBJECT:** Congressional funding requests for 2010 – Update Report (verbal).
RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the city council discuss and take action as deemed appropriate.

Clare said it was that time again. Behrmann reviewed the funding received last year and said they had a meeting set on January 26th to meet with Lungren regarding the 2010 requests.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

2. **SUBJECT:** Sphere of Influence Supplemental Environmental Impact Report preparation - budget appropriation.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the city council approve a budget appropriation request in the amount of \$59,000 for the Sphere of Influence (SOI) Supplemental Environmental Impact Report preparation.

Campion gave a staff report. Payne asked how the City got so far in the process to have to go back for additional analysis and said she had reviewed the General Plan EIR and it appeared that the issue had been addressed. After discussion, Payne said she was not ready to go forward. Clare said he questioned LAFCo legal staff's conclusions and LAFCo staff's recommendation. Meredith asked about the LAFCo consultant that would be used. Campion explained the process. Meredith also said he did not want to move forward at this point.

Rudolph gave some options to council and discussed the process. He said they could set up a meeting with a few of the elected LAFCo representatives, the executive director and members of council. Clare agreed to hold a meeting and if that did not work, meet with the executive director and their legal counsel at a council meeting. Clare asked to be on the subcommittee and Meredith said he would volunteer as well.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

3. **SUBJECT:** Award of synthetic turf purchase for Walker Community Park – Phase 1A
RECOMMENDED ACTION: that the city council: 1) select FieldTurf USA Inc. as the provider for the synthetic turf for Walker Community Park – Phase 1A; 2) adopt Resolution No. 2010-03 authorizing the director of public works to purchase the synthetic turf, installation services and appurtenant items for \$571,204.00; and 3) approve an appropriation in the amount of \$200,000.00 from Fund 11-Parks.

B. Forrest gave a staff report. Jeffries said soccer was now year-around and they would play at the field seven days per week. Jeffries said it was completely fenced. Meredith said he agreed with the purchase but said there was more to it and added that a turf park would be more accessible to the citizens. Meredith asked about installs by FieldTurf in the area.

David Brown, FieldTurf representative, said his company was the exclusive installer of FieldTurf in the Sacramento region and the most recent project was in Fairfield.

Payne asked about the budget and Behrmann said the money for the project was from the Park Capital Fund for the construction of Walker Park which could only be used for park construction. He said the maintenance would come from the Culture and Recreation Fund, the lighting and landscaping districts and possibly the General Fund. He said the synthetic turf would reduce the ongoing maintenance which would reduce the impact on the maintenance funds.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Meredith, seconded by Payne, the selection of FieldTurf, Resolution No. 2010-03 and the appropriation of \$200,000 was approved by a unanimous vote of council members present. Absent: Haines.

4. **SUBJECT:** Award of construction management services and engineering construction support services for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the city council adopt Resolution No.2010-04 authorizing the city manager to execute contracts for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Tertiary Filtration, UV Disinfection, and Biosolids 2009 Improvements Project as follows: 1) with Psomas Engineering, in the amount of \$1,222,568, for construction services; and 2) with West Yost Associates, in the amount of \$950,160, for engineering construction support services.

Halladay gave a staff report.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Clare, seconded by Payne, Resolution No. 2010-04 was approved by a unanimous vote of council members present. Absent: Haines.

5. **SUBJECT:** Citywide Traffic Capital Improvement Program, Northeast Area Public Facilities Program and Community Facilities Fees Updates.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: That city council receive progress information, public comment and provide direction, as deemed appropriate, for updates to the Citywide Traffic Capital Improvement Program, Northeast Area Public Facilities Program and Community Facilities Fees.

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Clare asked for a breakdown of Slide 7 electronically. He then said on Slide 13, instead of a 2% increase, he asked that it be a wash with other savings, then reallocate. Clare then asked for very good notes from the comments that would be received. Meredith suggested a separate fee structure for businesses over 100,000 sq. ft. and said this could act as an incentive to small businesses that might come to Galt. Meredith asked to bring back a breakdown of retail categories and the fee structure. Rudolph said there were additional criteria that had to be used to determine fees other than just square footage.

Mike Guttridge, Emerald Park Company, said only one home was built last year by his company. He said someone needed to review the fees or there would be no development in Galt. He said other cities were dropping their fees and asked the city council to review the fees.

There was a concurrence of council that staff bring back the requested information at the next council meeting

COMMUNICATIONS

ADJOURN AND RECONVENE TO THE GALT CITY COUNCIL.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

COMMENTS BY STAFF: Behrmann said he was approached from the CSD about reestablishing a quarterly meeting with council, staff and a few members of the board of the CSD and their staff. Payne said she was interested in being a part of it. Behrmann said he would bring it back when Haines was present. He also reminded council of goal setting on February 1, 2010. Kiriou announced that online utility payments were now available.

COMMENTS BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

VICE MAYOR PAYNE wished everyone a happy new year.

COUNCIL MEMBER CLARE wished everyone a happy new year.

COUNCIL MEMBER HAINES was absent.

COUNCIL MEMBER MEREDITH said at the 2nd meeting of Feb. he wanted to recognize the businesses who were participating in the prescription discount card program.

MAYOR SHELTON wished everyone a happy new year.

There being no further business to come before council, the meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 10:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Aguire
City Clerk