



CITY OF GALT

MINUTES

**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive, Galt, California
Tuesday, August 3, 2011, 6:00 pm**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by the mayor. Council Members present: Powers, Singleton, Shelton, Crews, and Payne.

Staff members present: City Manager Behrmann, City Clerk Aguire, City Attorney Rudolph.

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. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION** pursuant to and under the authority of Government Code Section 54957

City Attorney

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: The council reconvened to open session at 7:00 pm at which time the city attorney announced that the city council approved an amendment not related to compensation. He said it involved the term of the agreement and the vacation clause to comply with IRS regulations.

There being no further business to come before council, the meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Aguire
City Clerk



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ADJOURNED REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive, Galt, California
Tuesday, August 3, 2011, 7:00 pm

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by the mayor. Council Members present: Powers, Singleton, Shelton, Crews, and Payne.

Staff members present: City Manager Behrmann, City Clerk Aguire, Public Works Director Halladay, City Attorney Rudolph, City Treasurer Farrell, Chief of Police Bowen, Finance Director Kiriu, Human Resources Administrator Islas and Principal Planner Kiriu.

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:

1. Finance Department - Senior Accountant Michelle Neeley gave an overview of the Automated Payment Program and Utility 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.

Russell Fluty, adult mentor of the Youth Committee, asked council to waive the pool fees for the Committee's first event.

Randy Hunwardsen opposed shortening public comment to three minutes.

Laura Brandon said she wanted to help Galt's economy by building new homes. She asked that the city lower building permit fees. Discussion ensued regarding bringing back a comparison with other cities. Singleton wanted the comparison updated. Shelton suggested having a developer meeting or have staff check if there was interest or a need for a meeting with the developers. Council agreed.

Mike Guttridge said council needed to take a close look at fees. He said the city needed to step up, get the builders back, and try to see how the city could help.

CONSENT CALENDAR - Consisting of Items 1 through 8.

1. **SUBJECT:** Minutes of the special meetings of July 19, 2011 and July 26, 2011, and the regular meeting of July 19, 2011.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Accept the minutes as submitted.

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2. **SUBJECT**: City of Galt Warrants.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the warrants as submitted.
3. **SUBJECT**: Foreclosure proceedings for Community Facilities District 1988-1.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 2011-58 approving foreclosure proceedings to be initiated against properties delinquent in payment of the 201-2011 levy for Community Facilities District 1988-1.
4. **SUBJECT**: Foreclosure proceedings for 1999-1 Re-Assessment District.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 2011-59 approving foreclosure proceedings to be initiated against properties delinquent in payment of the 2010-2011 levy for the 1999-1 Re-Assessment District.
5. **SUBJECT**: Ordinance No. 2011-08 of the City Council of the City of Galt repealing and replacing section 15.04.120 of Chapter 15.04 of the Galt Municipal Code regarding appeals of administrative decisions pertaining to the Uniform Codes and California Codes.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Ordinance No. 2011-08 repealing and replacing section 15.04.120 of Chapter 15.04 of the Galt Municipal Code regarding appeals of administrative decisions pertaining to the Uniform Codes and California Codes.
6. **SUBJECT**: Ordinance No. 2011-09 of the City Council of the City of Galt amending Chapter 18.36 of the Galt Municipal Code regarding zoning.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Ordinance No. 2011-09 amending section 18.36.130 of the Galt Municipal Code and adding section 18.36.140 of the Galt Municipal Code pertaining to violations for failure to maintain parking, landscaping, refuse.
7. **SUBJECT**: Ordinance No. 2011-10 of the City Council of the City of Galt adding Chapter 2.85 of the Galt Municipal Code regarding the Galt Youth Committee.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Ordinance No. 2011-10 adding Chapter 2.85 of the Galt Municipal Code regarding rules and regulations relating to the Galt City Council Youth Committee.
8. **SUBJECT**: Ordinance No. 2011-11 of the City Council of the City of Galt amending Chapter 1.12 of the Galt Municipal Code regarding posting places.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Ordinance No. 2011-11 amending section 1.12.010 of Chapter 1.12 of the Galt Municipal Code regarding posting places.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Crews, seconded by Singleton, the consent calendar was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

REGULAR CALENDAR

CITY COUNCIL

1. **SUBJECT**: Amendment of the City Council Procedural Guidelines relating to time limits for public speakers.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 2011-60 amending Rule 4.7.3 of the City

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Council Procedural Guidelines relating to time limits for public speakers.

Powers gave a report. Rudolph gave council a few options relating to public comment rules. Council liked option B: public speakers will normally be limited to three minutes in addressing the City Council, however, the mayor may shorten or extend the time limit for public speakers as he/she deems necessary or prudent.

Al Baldwin opposed limiting the time for public comment to three minutes. Crews thought the public deserved five minutes for public comment. Payne said the entire council was opened to the public and was available to talk to citizens. She thought people could get their point across in three minutes.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Powers, seconded by Shelton, Resolution No. 2011-60 was adopted by a roll call vote with Crews dissenting.

TREASURER'S OFFICE

2. **SUBJECT:** Treasurer's Report for period ending June, 2011.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Accept the treasurer's report as submitted.

Farrell gave the treasurer's report.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Shelton, seconded by Crews, the treasurer's report was approved by a unanimous roll-call vote.

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

3. **SUBJECT:** An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Galt determining to comply with the Voluntary Alternative Redevelopment Program pursuant to Part 1.9 of Division 24 of the California Health and Safety Code in order to permit the continued existence and operation of the Redevelopment Agency.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Introduce Ordinance No. 2011-12 determining to comply with the Voluntary Alternative Redevelopment Program pursuant to Part 1.9 of Division 24 of the California Health and Safety Code in order to permit the continued existence and operation of the Redevelopment Agency; waive full reading; and, continue the matter to the next regular meeting.

Rudolph spoke on the legislation regarding redevelopment agencies. Behrmann reviewed the new projects being funded through the Redevelopment agency.

Shelton thanked staff for their hard work regarding the Agency.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Shelton, seconded by Powers, Ordinance No. 2011-12 was introduced by a unanimous roll call vote.

4. **SUBJECT:** Lease Agreement with The Gathering Place for two City-owned houses on Fifth Street.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 2011-61 authorizing the city manager to execute a lease agreement with The Gathering Place for two City-owned houses located at 411 and

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417 Fifth Street.

Behrman gave a staff report. Singleton asked about a shelter and was concerned about security.

Dana DeMoulin said they would have a person from their group be at the home during such time that there was a person that needed protection. Singleton recommended activating alarms on the building that would go directly to the police department. He also suggested installing a panic button. Powers thanked The Gathering Place for stepping up to the plate and moving forward.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Crews, seconded by Singleton, Resolution No. 2011-61 was adopted by a unanimous roll call vote.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

5. **SUBJECT:** Adoption of Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the State Route 99/State Route 104/Twin Cities Road Roundabout Interchange Modification Project.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 2011-62 approving the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the State Route 99/State Route 104/Twin Cities Road Roundabout Interchange Modification Project (Twin Cities Roundabout Project).

Ron Boyle, Omni Means, Consultant Project Manager, gave an overview of the project including

ACTION: Upon a motion by Shelton, seconded by Crews, Resolution No. 2011-62 was adopted by a unanimous roll call vote.

CULTURE AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

6. **SUBJECT:** Youth Committee waiver request for Aquatic Center and Skate Park hours extension on August 20, 2011.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Review the request letter from the Galt Youth Committee and consider waiving the entrance fees for their teen event to be held on Saturday, August 20, 2011, at the Gora Aquatic Center and extending the closing hours for the Skate Park from dusk to 9:30pm.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Crews, seconded by Shelton, waiving the entrance fee for the teen event and extending the closing hours for the Skate Park from dusk to 9:30 on August 20, 2011, was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

7. **SUBJECT:** Central Galt Corridor Rehabilitation (CIP #50H) and Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) Parking Lot (CIP #59B)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive a presentation regarding phasing alternatives for the Central Galt Corridor Rehabilitation and UPRR Parking Lot projects and provide direction regarding phasing priorities.

Ben Woodside, Callander Associates, gave an overview of the project including the project phasing.

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ACTION: Upon a motion by Powers, seconded by Crews, staff's recommended phasing was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

COMMUNICATION:

SUBJECT: Opposition to SB 469 – Land Use: Superstores.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The City Council approves sending a letter to Senator Juan Vargas opposing SB 469.

Payne discussed the bill and asked council to oppose the bill.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Crews, seconded by Shelton, sending a letter opposing SB 469 to Senator Juan Vargas was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

ADJOURN AND RECONVENE TO THE GALT CITY COUNCIL.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT:

1. **SUBJECT:** Formation of an ad hoc committee for the planning of the 2012 Galt Independence Day Celebration.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 2011-63 establishing an ad hoc committee for the planning of the 2012 Independence Day Celebration.

Rudolph gave a staff report.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Singleton, seconded by Shelton, adopted Resolution No. 2011-63 by a unanimous roll call vote.

COMMENTS BY STAFF: Behrmann said the police Chief had a house in Reno burn and his son was hurt. Everyone wished him well. Bryna Smith's husband was in a motorcycle accident and is in ICU in Walnut Creek.

COMMENTS BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

VICE MAYOR POWERS: Said the League of California Cities was looking for a Vice President and hoped Mark would submit his name. She said she had a good time at National Night Out and thanked TJ Guidatti.

COUNCIL MEMBER SINGLETON: Said the National Night Out was a great event and thanked TJ Guidatti.

COUNCIL MEMBER SHELTON: Went to National Night Out and thanked everyone who participated.

COUNCIL MEMBER CREWS: Went to National Night Out and thanked everyone who participated and thanked TJ Guidatti. He asked everyone to contact the legislators regarding redevelopment.

MAYOR PAYNE: Said she had a great time at National Night Out and said everyone appreciated seeing

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their council members. She said it was the last month for the Farmer's Market and said it was a great year. She acknowledged June Gilmore who passed away a few weeks ago.

There being no further business to come before council, the meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 9:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Aguire
City Clerk