



**MEETING MINUTES
OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE**

**February 1, 2006 – 6:00 p.m.
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
300 FOREST AVENUE, PACIFIC GROVE, CA**

Mayor James Costello called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present included Costello, Mayor Pro Tempore Daniel Cort, Council Member Lisa Bennett, Council Member Scott Miller, Council Member Susan Nilmeier and Council Member Ron Schenk. Council Member Susan Goldbeck, participated via conference call from 4421 Plumosa Way, San Diego, California.

PRESENTATIONS

- Mayor Costello continued the proclamation honoring the life of Eleanor Rogge to the February 15, 2006 City Council meeting.
- Mayor Costello introduced Commander Engles who introduced new Police Officers Jeff Colon and Jeff Haas.
- Mayor Costello introduced Carmelita Garcia, out-going President of the Pacific Grove Citizens' Academy Association who presented the Pacific Grove Police Department with electronic road-sided flares.
- Mayor Costello presented a Certificate of Recognition to the Pacific Grove High School Varsity Football team in honor of their undefeated 2005 season as Champions of the Mission Trail Athletic League.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Costello removed item 2B to the regular agenda as item 4D, a Public Hearing. On motion of Costello, seconded by Schenk, Council unanimously approved the agenda.

REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS

- Council Member Schenk encouraged all to use the Pacific Grove Monarch Shuttle to and from the AT&T Pro Am Golf Tournament
- Council Member Miller thanked Carmelita Garcia for her efforts as President of the Pacific Grove Police Citizens' Academy
- Council Member Nilmeier read a letter refuting accusations that the goal of many City Council Members is to effect the demise of Pacific Grove special events

- Council Member Bennett thanked Carmelita Garcia for her work as the Chair of the Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance Advisory Committee noting that she had recently attended an informative sensitivity training
- Council Member Bennett announced an open house at Trotter's Antiques on February 2nd from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. as well as an open house at the Country Club Gate Center on February 7th from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- Council Member Bennett announced an open period from January 27, 2006 until February 27, 2006 for public comment on prescribed burns at Fort Ord
- Mayor Costello notified the public of a Housing Expo, put on by the Monterey County Housing Alliance and the City of Monterey on February 13, 2006 from 12:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- Mayor Costello reported that Monterey County Mayors met with Governor Schwarzenegger who presented his plan to move decision-making control in many areas from the local level to the state level

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- Ro Viccaro of Friends of the Monarchs invited all to attend a fundraising concert of Celtic music at the Museum of Natural History on Sunday, February 5, 2006; she also encouraged all to enjoy the monarchs at the Monarch Sanctuary while they remain
- Snick Farkas presented the Colossus of Gold
- Christopher Giron, father of Phai Giron, thanked the many members of the community who have supported his family throughout his son's cancer treatment
- Greg Young voiced his opposition to the conversion of the Holman building into a hotel; he alternatively suggested a mixed use retail/residential building
- Joseph Rock expressed concern that the Architectural Review Board would be unable to consider his project at their February 14, 2006 meeting due to lack of a quorum and encouraged the Mayor to expediently fill the vacancies on the board
- Bob Davis, incoming President of the Pacific Grove Police Citizens' Academy encouraged the public to sign up for the next Citizen's Academy beginning on February 21, 2006
- Thom Akeman expressed his concern over the quantity of trees removed in the last year and the lack of planting of replacement trees
- Lee Willoughby spoke on behalf of the Tidepool Coalition encouraging the public to attend a rally on March 11th and possibly March 12th in support of adding the Pacific Grove Marine Refuge to the Marine Life Protection Act
- Moe Ammar, President of the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce reported that he, along with Council Member Bennett and Mayor Pro Tempore Dan Cort successfully collected garbage along Highway 68 from Pacific Grove up to the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula
- Ed Lake addressed fiscal concerns, encouraging the sale of the Old Bath House property, the conversion of the Senior Housing building in to a low-income housing complex without age restrictions and other remedies to attract and accommodate young families
- David Dilworth gave a presentation on public interest, financial interests and special interests

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion of Schenk, seconded by Bennett, Council **approved the Consent Agenda as follows:**

A. Approved the minutes of the December 21, 2005 regular meeting

1B. Approved the minutes of the January 18, 2006 work session

2A. Passed and adopted Ordinance No. 06-001 amending Pacific Grove Municipal Code Section 14.08.015(c) prohibiting smoking at Lovers Point beaches

3.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.H.I.J.K.L.M. Received reports of meetings from the following boards, commissions and committees:

Americans with Disabilities Act
Compliance Advisory Committee

January 26, 2006

rchitectural Review Board Site Review

January 10, 2006

rchitectural Review Board Site Review

January 24, 2006

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Arts Commission	May 11, 2005
Beautification and Natural Resources Committee	December 13, 2005
Crespi Pond Oversight Committee	June 25, 2003
Golf Course Advisory Committee	December 14, 2005
Historic Resources Committee Site Review	January 11, 2006
Historic Resources Committee	January 11, 2006

Planning Commission Site Review

January 3, 2006

REGULAR AGENDA

4A. Mayor Costello introduced Recreation Director Miller who reviewed his staff report as well as a Profit and Loss Analysis regarding special events and answered questions from Council. Alan Cohen, Brian Lackey, Moe Ammar, Colleen Greenlee and Sue Renz answered questions from Council. Steve Gorman, Brian Lackey, Jeanne Byrne, Ellen Coile, Laura Hong, Bruce Obbink, Mark Stotzer, Colleen Greenlee, Sue Renz, Llana Enns, James Quinn, Melody Stein, Bill Valuch, Cheryl Ash, Terry Davis, Sherry Sands, Diana Dennis, Kim Herndon, Daniel Miller, Pan Hart, Daniel Davis, Nadine Anand, Maryanne Spradling, Rebecca Barrymore, Dominic Martellaro, Michael Adamson, Craig Riddell, Ted Hollister, Carmelita Garcia, David Dilworth, Alan Cohen and Moe Ammar spoke to the issue.

At 8:30 p.m. Council took a seven minute break and reconvened at 8:37 p.m.

On motion of Schenk, seconded by Bennett, Council unanimously **provided an exemption from City fees to organizers of the 10 “traditional” special events for their 2006 event.**

4B. Mayor Costello introduced City Manager Colangelo who gave a presentation providing a summary of the City’s budget and answered questions from Council. David Dilworth, Daniel Davis and John Fischer spoke to the issue. On motion of Cort, seconded by Schenk, Council unanimously **approved the Budget Schedule.** On motion of Miller, seconded by Bennett, Council unanimously **received the Mid-Year Budget report.**

At 10:09 p.m. on motion of Cort, seconded Bennett, Council unanimously voted to address the remaining items on the agenda.

4C. Mayor Costello introduced City Manager Colangelo who reviewed the proposed agreement with Chris D’Amelio for operation of the food and beverage concession at the Golf Course Clubhouse and answered questions from Council. Janet Parks, Lorna Torkos and Robert Carp spoke to the issue. On motion of Schenk, seconded by Miller, Council **authorized staff to enter into a five year lease agreement with Chris D’Amelio for operation of the food and beverage concession at the Golf Course Clubhouse,** with Goldbeck dissenting.

4D. Mayor Costello introduced Community Development Director Biggs who reviewed his staff report regarding a proposed ordinance modifying expiration timelines of approvals granted to projects on the Water Waiting List.

Mayor Costello opened the Public Hearing at 10:43 p.m.

There were no public comments

Mayor Costello closed the Public Hearing at 10:43 p.m.

At 10:44 p.m. Council Member Nilmeier left the room returning at 10:45 p.m.

On motion of Schenk, seconded by Cort, Council unanimously **introduced an ordinance amending Pacific Grove Municipal Code Sections 23.72.140 and 23.73.060 to modify expiration time lines of approvals granted to projects on the Water Waiting List and approved the summary for publication**, with Nilmeier absent.

5A. Mayor Costello introduced City Manager Colangelo who reviewed his recommendation for removal of a tree in Washington Park. There were no public comments. On motion of Cort, seconded by Miller, Council unanimously **found that removal of one tree within Washington Park is necessary for public health, safety and welfare; and authorized staff to proceed with removal of the tree.**

At 10:47 p.m. Goldbeck left the meeting.

6A. Mayor Costello reviewed his Agenda Report regarding the process for appointments to the City's Boards Commissions and Committees. Sue Renz and Carmelita Garcia spoke to the issue. On motion of Costello, seconded by Nilmeier, Council **voted to interview those candidates for the Architectural Review Board, Historic Resources Committee and Planning Commission who are not incumbents or have not been previously interviewed by Council**, with Council Member Miller dissenting.

7C. Council gave the following meeting reports:

- There were no meeting reports

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session items 8A and 8B were continued to the February 15, 2006 City Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 11:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean-Marie McLaren
Assistant City Clerk

APPROVED BY MAYOR: _____

ATTEST BY ASSISTANT CITY CLERK: _____