



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

**February 15, 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 presented a proclamation honoring the life of Eleanor Rogge
- P.O.S.T. Senior Consultant Robert Fuller presented an Executive Certificate to Police Chief Miller

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Staff removed item 6A from the agenda. City Attorney David Laredo added one urgency item of threatened litigation to the closed session. On motion of Schenk, seconded by Costello, Council unanimously approved the agenda with the changes.

REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS

- Council Member Goldbeck apologized for the inconvenience of participating by phone and thanked the public for their patience
- Council Member Miller expressed his condolences over the loss of Richard Chamberlain
- Mayor Costello informed the public that the memorial for Richard Chamberlain, originally planned for Saturday has been postponed
- Mayor Costello reported that he and City Manager Colangelo attended a meeting of the Regional Water Quality Control Board and opposed the levying of fees and/or taxes
- Mayor Costello invited the public to attend the California Land Use Authority Meeting on off-shore drilling, Tuesday, February 21st at 11:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- Gail Marmor expressed concern over future housing for seniors and encouraged Council consideration of a Phase II Senior Housing project
- Moe Ammar of the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce complimented Commander Uretsky and the Pacific Grove Police and Fire Departments for their quick response to the

accident involving Richard Chamberlain and indicated the memorial service would be held Saturday, February 25th at 1:00 p.m. at the Pacific Grove High School Breakers Stadium

- Moe Ammar announced a reception honoring City Employee of the Year, Public Works Director Steve Leiker on March 16th from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Passionfish
- Steve Honegger announced the Heritage Society's annual meeting, Sunday, February 26th from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at Pacific Grove City Hall noting that the Chautauqua Years Exhibit could be viewed throughout the halls during meeting
- Marty Meehan read an article regarding the death of Richard Chamberlain and encouraged the City of Pacific Grove and the Pacific Grove Police Department to become pro-active in traffic engineering and enforcement
- Snick Farkas presented the Colossus of Gold
- Jan Lindenthal of South County Housing updated the public on the Senior Housing application and selection process
- Lee Willoughby gave a presentation on the preservation of the Pacific Grove Marine Gardens Fish Refuge
- David Dilworth commented on the uniqueness and dedication of Richard Chamberlain

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Miller corrected item 6A in the minutes of the February 1, 2006 City Council meeting to reflect a dissenting vote. David Dilworth removed item 3A to the Regular Agenda. On motion of Schenk, seconded by Bennett, Council **approved the Consent Agenda as follows:**

A. Approved the minutes of the February 1, 2006 regular meeting

2A. Passed and adopted Ordinance No. 06-01 amending Pacific Grove Municipal Code Section 14.08.015(c) prohibiting smoking at Lovers Point beaches

4A. Received the highlights of the December 16, 2005 and January 20, 2006 meetings of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District Board.

5A.B.C.D. Received reports of meetings from the following boards, commissions and committees:

Housing Committee	January 12, 2006
Planning Commission Site Review	January 31, 2006
Planning Commission	February 2, 2006
Recreation Board	December 5, 2005

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

3A. Mayor Costello introduced City Manager Colangelo who gave a report on the resolution awarding the contract for the installation of street lights and answered questions from Council. David Dilworth spoke to the issue. On motion of Schenk, seconded by Nilmeier, Council

unanimously **approved Resolution No. 6-001 awarding the contract for street light installation in Underground Utilities District No. 9 based on the results of a competitive bid process.**

EGULAR AGENDA

7A. Mayor Costello introduced Museum Director Finnegan who introduced the members of the Beautification and Natural Resources Committee. David Shonman reviewed the “Pacific Grove Tide Pool Conservation Recommendations” report. John Fischer and Lee Willoughby spoke to the issue. On motion of Bennett, seconded by Schenk, Council unanimously **received the “Pacific Grove Tide Pool Conservation Recommendations” report from the Tide Pool Subcommittee of the Beautification and Natural Resources Committee.**

8A. Mayor Costello reviewed his recommended appointments to the City’s Boards, Commissions and Committees. On motion of Schenk, seconded by Cort, Council **approved the Mayor’s appointments to City Boards, Commissions and Committees,** with Council Member Bennett dissenting on the re-appointment of Architectural Review Board incumbents Doug Howe and Dennis Tarmina.

8B. Mayor Costello introduced Council Member Bennett who reviewed her request to form an *ad hoc* committee to consider campaign finance reform. Robin Topemakian, Tarren Zito, Pat Hensley, Ruth Smith, Lee Willoughby, David Dilworth, Jerry Norton and George Riley spoke to the issue. On motion of Miller, seconded by Bennett, Council **established a short-term ad hoc committee, composed of Council Member Bennett, Council Member Miller and three citizens, to create and deliver by the end of April a model campaign finance reform/conflict of financial interest ordinance for Council action,** with Council Member Schenk dissenting.

8C. Council gave the following meeting reports:

- FORA – Mayor Costello: FORA has applied for \$90 million from the United States Army to complete clean-up efforts on Fort Ord

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:47 p.m., pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8, Council met in closed session to with its Real Property Negotiator, James J. Colangelo, regarding 620 Ocean View Boulevard; and pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6, Council met in closed session with its Designate Representative, James J. Colangelo, regarding labor negotiations, Police Officers’ Association; and pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9, Council met in closed session to consider existing litigation, Youssef v. City Council and City of Pacific Grove.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean-Marie McLaren
Assistant City Clerk

APPROVED BY MAYOR:

ATTEST BY ASSISTANT CITY CLERK:
