



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

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**July 19, 2006 – 6:00 p.m.  
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
300 FOREST AVENUE, PACIFIC GROVE, CA**

Mayor Daniel Cort called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m. Members present included Cort, Council Member Daniel Davis, Council Member Susan Goldbeck, Council Member Scott Miller, Council Member Susan Nilmeier and Council Member Ron Schenk. Mayor Pro Tempore Lisa Bennett was absent.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Cort introduced Colleen Greenlee who presented the 2006 Feast of Lanterns Court.

Mayor Cort introduced Community Development Director Biggs who introduced Joella Taboada of Wells Fargo who presented the City with a check for \$5,000 in support of the City's Rehabilitation Loan Program.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On motion of Schenk, seconded by Miller, Council unanimously **approved the agenda.**

**REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS**

- Council Member Miller updated the Council and public on the placement of the plaque honoring Ed Larson noting that the plaque would return from the foundry in several weeks.
- Mayor Cort presented gifts to each of the Council Members from his trip to Spain.
- City Manager Colangelo announced that item 4A would be continued to a future meeting.
- At the request of Council Member Goldbeck, City Manager Colangelo updated Council on the status of the Harvey Rose report and audit.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

- Colleen Greenlee expressed concern that an ad appearing in the Hometown Bulletin gave the appearance that the Feast of Lanterns was supporting Susan Goldbeck as a candidate for Mayor. Greenlee asked for an immediate retraction noting that the Feast of Lanterns is a non-partisan event.
- Steve Schimick with the Otter Project, reviewed the Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) "milestones" and upcoming meetings, encouraging Council to attend the August 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting at which the Fish and Game Commission may be considering the effect of the Act on the Monterey coastline and choosing one of the proposed packages.
- Jesus Reese encouraged the Mayor to send a representative to the August 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting regarding the MLPA.

- Lee Willoughby indicated that the Tidepool Coalition will be presenting a petition to change the decision of the Fish and Game Commission if it differs from the proposed package that the City supports.
- David Shonman expressed concern that Jim Willoughby called for the termination of the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History. Shonman commended Museum Director Finnegan and called for more support of the Museum.
- Snick Farkas presented the Colossus of Gold.
- David Dilworth, representing H.O.P.E., commended City Manager Colangelo for his efforts to increase access to public records with a new Public Records Policy which will become effective on August 1<sup>st</sup>.
- City Manager Colangelo informed Council of invasive blackberry growth in the Cemetery Thicket noting that abatement would begin immediately.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

John Fischer removed item 1A to the Regular Agenda. On motion of Miller, seconded by Davis, Council unanimously **approved the consent agenda as follows:**

**1B. Approved Resolution No. 6-016 approving Employment Agreements between the City of Pacific Grove and Charlene Wiseman and the City of Pacific Grove and James Becklenberg.**

**2A. Approved the Recommendation of the Crespi Pond Committee.**

**2B. Authorized staff to purchase mowing equipment for the El Carmelo Cemetery.**

**5A.B.C.D.E.F.G.H.I. Received reports** of meetings from the following Boards, Commissions and Committees:

Architectural Review Board Site Review	July 11, 2006
Architectural Review Board	July 11, 2006
Library Board	April 11, 2006
Library Board	May 9, 2006
Museum Board	May 3, 2006
Museum Board	June 7, 2006
Planning Commission Site Review	July 6, 2006
Planning Commission	July 6, 2006
Recreation Board	June 13, 2006

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

**1A. Mayor Cort introduced** John Fischer who expressed concern over the word “valid” in the Library Card Application Policy. On motion of Schenk, seconded by Davis, Council unanimously **approved Resolution No. 6-015, amending Council Policy 200-6[A], Library Card Applications, to allow for issuance of library cards to California residents showing a valid library card from another California Public Library.**

**4A. Mayor Cort introduced** City Manager Colangelo who requested that the item be continued to a future Council Meeting. There were no comments from the public. On motion of Davis, seconded by Goldbeck, Council unanimously **continued the Public Hearing to consider purchase of a new server using State Law Enforcement Supplemental Funds (SLESF) grant funds to a future Council meeting.**

**5A. There were no meeting reports.**

**6A. Mayor Cort reviewed** his proposed appointments to the City's Boards, Commissions and Committees. David Dilworth spoke to the issue. A motion of Goldbeck, seconded by Davis, to continue the item to a future Council meeting with direction to the City's Boards, Commissions and Committees to hold a special meeting after a decision is made, failed with Cort, Miller, Nilmeier and Schenk dissenting. On motion of Miller, seconded by Nilmeier, Council **waived the formal appointment process set forth in Pacific Grove Municipal Code Section 3.04 regarding appointments to the Arts Commission and the Traffic Commission; postponed consideration of the appointments to the Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance Advisory Committee and the Golf Course Advisory Committee to the first meeting in August; and approved the appointments to the Arts Commission and the Traffic Commission,** with Goldbeck dissenting.

**6B. Mayor Cort introduced** Council Member Miller who reviewed the proposed Campaign Finance Ordinance developed by the *ad hoc* Campaign Finance Reform/Conflict of Financial Interest Subcommittee. Robin Tokmakian and David Dilworth, both of the Subcommittee spoke to the issue. Lee Yarborough, John Fischer, Vienna Moore, Bob Davis, Barry Dolowich (Chair of the *ad hoc* Budget and Finance Subcommittee), Kristi Markey, George Riley, Alan Cohen, Lee Yarborough, and Moe Ammar (President of the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce) spoke to the issue. On motion of Davis, seconded by Nilmeier, Council **accepted the draft Campaign Finance Ordinance and directed the City Attorney to review the Ordinance as it relates to State law and prepare a formal Ordinance and staff report for consideration by the Council;** with Schenk dissenting.

**6C. Mayor Cort introduced** Council Member Goldbeck who reviewed her proposal to sell or donate a surplus fire engine to the City of Atotonilco, Mexico. Madeline Clark and Cosme Padilla spoke on behalf of the Rotary. John Fischer spoke to the issue. On motion of Goldbeck, seconded by Nilmeier, Council unanimously **approved the sale of the surplus fire truck to the Castroville Rotary for \$2,000.**

**6D. Mayor Cort introduced** Council Member Goldbeck who asked Council to refer the consideration of revenue production ideas to the *ad hoc* Budget and Finance Subcommittee. Barry Dolowich, Chair of the Committee, spoke to the issue. City Manager Colangelo answered questions from the Council. Carmelita Garcia, Museum Director Finnegan, John Fischer and Lee Willoughby spoke to the issue. On motion of Davis, seconded by Goldbeck Council unanimously **directed staff to come back with a meeting date to prioritize cost cutting measures, after the close of the 2005/2006 Fiscal Year.**

**10B. Council gave** the following reports:

- MST – Schenk: MST will be implementing a \$0.25 transfer fee between zones.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**8A.** At 9:28 p.m., City Attorney Laredo announced that pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9, Council would meet in closed session to consider existing litigation, Monterey Superior Court Case No. M79444, Scholink v. City of Pacific Grove.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean-Marie McLaren  
Assistant City Clerk

APPROVED BY MAYOR: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST BY ASSISTANT CITY CLERK: \_\_\_\_\_