



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

**October 18, 2006 – 6:00 p.m.
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
300 FOREST AVENUE, PACIFIC GROVE, CA**

Mayor Daniel Cort called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present included Cort, Mayor Pro Tempore Lisa Bennett, Council Member Daniel Davis, Council Member Susan Goldbeck, Council Member Scott Miller, Council Member Susan Nilmeier and Council Member Ron Schenk.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

COUNCIL AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

- City Manager Colangelo indicated that a report on the Tree Moratorium would be presented at the November 1st City Council Meeting
- Museum Director Finnegan presented Condor No. 200, a condor on loan to the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History; and invited all to attend the grand opening of the exhibit on December 1st.
- Mayor Cort thanked Finnegan and his team for a successful grand opening of the Dave Monley, panoramic photography exhibit, “The Broader View” at the Museum.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- Xavier Mariyama of the Foundation for the Performing Arts presented Council Candidates with tickets to a performance on Friday Nov. 17th.
- Alan Cohen, representing the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce, invited the Council to attend a retirement party for Police Chief Carl Miller on Friday, November 10th at Rancho Canada.
- Snick Farkas presented the Colossus of Gold.
- David Dilworth encouraged all to vote ‘no’ on Proposition 90.
- Marge Brigadier commended David Dilworth on the repudiation of an advertisement that appeared in the Pacific Grove Press and encouraged other seated Council Members who are also running for office to repudiate the ad.
- Daniel Miller, Publisher of the Pacific Grove Press, defended those who advertise in the Pacific Grove Press, defended the content of the newspaper as fair and accurate, and defended the right to freedom of speech.

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion of Schenk, seconded by Bennett, Council unanimously **approved the consent agenda as follows:**

1A. Approved the Minutes of the October 4, 2006 Regular Meeting.

2A-K. Received meeting reports from the following Boards, Commissions and Committees:

Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance Advisory Committee	August 23, 2006
Architectural Review Board Site Review	October 10, 2006
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Beautification and Natural Resources Committee	August 22, 2006
Housing Committee	September 14, 2006
Housing Committee	September 27, 2006
Planning Commission Site Review	October 3, 2006
Planning Commission	October 5, 2006
Recreation Board	September 19, 2006
Special Events Committee	June 26, 2006
Traffic Commission	August 8, 2006

REGULAR AGENDA

3A. Mayor Cort introduced Public Works Director Leiker who introduced Public Works Supervisor Perez-Martinez who reviewed an appeal of the Beautification and Natural Resources approval of a tree removal at 147 11th Street; and answered questions from Council. Loren Lauderback spoke to the issue.

Mayor Cort opened the Public Hearing at 6:32 p.m.

- Opponent Virginia Saint Jean spoke in opposition to the appeal
- Thom Akeman, representing the Beautification and Natural Resources Committee, explained the intention of the Committee when making the recommendation to have the tree removed. Speaking for Chair Jeanne Anton, Akeman recommended a site review.

Mayor Cort closed the Public Hearing at 6:40 p.m.

A motion of Davis, seconded by Bennett, to uphold the appeal of the Beatification and Natural Resources Committee's approval of a tree removal permit at 147 11th Street, was withdrawn.

A motion of Cort, seconded by Bennett, to direct staff to return with further information regarding the remaining lifespan of the tree as well as options to preserve the tree while adding a foundation to the home, was withdrawn.

Drew Murphy, General Contractor and resident at 151 11th Street, indicated that the historic home was salvageable if the tree was removed but would not be salvageable if the tree remained.

On motion of Davis, seconded by Schenk, Council unanimously **denied the appeal of the Beautification and Natural Resources Committee's approval of Tree Removal Permit No. 59080 at 147 11th Street; allowing the property owner to remove three trees.**

4A.-R. There were no reports of Boards, Commissions or Standing Committees.

5A. Council Member Nilmeier and City Attorney Laredo excused themselves due to conflict of interest and left the room. Mayor Cort introduced Police Chief Miller who reviewed a proposed ordinance to create a 1 hour parking zone on Gibson Avenue; and answered questions from Council. There were no public comments. On motion of Davis, seconded by Bennett, Council unanimously **passed and adopted Ordinance No. 06-018, which adds Subsection (f) to Section 16.56.060 of the Pacific Grove Municipal Code to allow the creation of a 1 hour parking zone on Gibson Avenue.**

5B. Mayor Cort introduced City Manager Colangelo who reviewed a report on Harvey Rose Accountancy Corporation's Phase II work and answered questions from Council. Bruce Obbink, John Fischer and David Dilworth spoke to the issue. On motion of Miller, seconded by Davis, Council unanimously **1. received staff's report and the attached reports from Harvey Rose Accountancy Corporation; 2. directed staff to return to the City Council with recommended financial policies related to inter-fund loans, interest apportionment, and enterprise fund balance purposes; and 3. directed staff to return with recommended actions related to outstanding loan balances and incorrectly allocated interest earnings.**

5C. Mayor Cort introduced Director of Management and Budget Becklenberg who reviewed a contract for temporary accounting services. David Dilworth and John Fischer spoke to the issue. On motion of Cort, seconded by Bennett, Council unanimously **authorized the City Manager to execute a contract, not to exceed \$26,000, with Moreland and Associates, Inc. for continued assistance with accounting project management and process improvement.**

At 7:54 p.m., Council took an 8 minute break, returning at 8:02 p.m.

6A. Mayor Cort introduced City Manager Colangelo who reviewed the proposed amendment to the General Employees' Association Memorandum of Understanding. There were no comments from the public. On motion of Miller, seconded by Schenk, Council unanimously **approved the amendment to the General Employees' Association Memorandum of Understanding.**

6B. Mayor Cort introduced City Manager Colangelo who reviewed a funding request from the Downtown Business Improvement District (BID), and answered questions from Council. Jeanne Byrne, Chair of the BID; John Fischer; Jean Graham; Terry Clemens, owner of The Clothing Store; Lisa Mefford, owner of The Quill; Alan Cohen; Charlesy Kelly; and Lee Trotter spoke to the issue. On motion of Bennett, seconded by Schenk, Council unanimously **supported the Downtown Business Improvement District's fund use request and directed staff to work with the BID to develop specific proposals for future Council consideration to implement the projects.**

7A. Council gave the following reports:

- AMBAG – Council Member Davis Proposition 1E will make \$300,000,000 available for Storm Water Projects; and Proposition 84 will make fund available for urban canopy maintenance.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean-Marie McLaren
Assistant City Clerk

APPROVED BY MAYOR:

ATTEST BY ASSISTANT CITY CLERK:
